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## "Cranes for Peace" Fundraising Campaign to Stop Violence Against Asian Americans Pacific Islanders

Using art, Casion Jewelry and Schack Art Center are raising funds for the Stop AAPI Hate Center

**Bothell, Wash., April 23, 2021** – As the rise in violence continues against Asian American Pacific Islanders (AAPI), Casion Jewelry in Bothell and the Schack Art Center in Everett are launching a fundraising campaign to stop the attacks against AAPI. The "Cranes for Peace" campaign will start in May which is Asian American Heritage Month.

The fundraising campaign offers Washi Origami Crane earrings in which a portion of each purchase will be donated to the <a href="Stop AAPI Hate Center">Stop AAPI Hate Center</a>. This organization is a collaboration by the Asian Pacific Policy & Planning Council, Chinese for Affirmative Action, and the Asian American Studies Department at San Francisco State University. The center tracks and reports incidents of hate, violence, harassment, and discrimination as well as provides translation services, advocacy, and more.

"The Asian tradition of 1,000 cranes represents granting a special wish, happiness, long life, and often used to symbolize peace," Casion Jewelry founder and designer Fay Lim said. "It would be amazing to reach this magical number and by using art for peace, this partnership with the Schack Art Center hopefully will inspire people to support ending the rising violence."

"Art is universal and to partner in support of the cause to stop violence against AAPI is very important work to our organization," said Schack Art Center Executive Director, Judy Tuohy. "The Schack Art Center believes in equity for all and is demonstrated in our work to celebrate and promote the arts for the enhancement of community life for all of our community and we intentionally embrace and uplift all people."

The origami crane earrings are available at the Schack Art Center's Gallery Store at 2921 Hoyt Ave., Everett, WA.

## **About Casion Jewelry**

Casion Jewelry, based in Bothell, WA, offers contemporary, elegant, unique, and handmade jewelry as well as custom pieces. View Casion Jewelry's portfolio at <a href="https://casionjewelry.wixsite.com/casionjewelry">https://casionjewelry.wixsite.com/casionjewelry</a> or contact via email at casionjewelry@gmail.com or phone: (425) 770-8998.

## **About Schack Art Center**

Schack Art Center is the place to see art, learn about art, and create art in Snohomish County and Washington State. This admission free facility features diverse artwork from locally and internationally known professional artists, as well as emerging young talents. Discover your inner artist, develop new skills, enjoy time with friends, or create gifts for loved ones in one of the Schack's many art classes for youth, teens, and adults. And, artists, from beginning to master, are encouraged to hone their craft in production studios for glassblowing, kilnforming, and flameworking. Schack Art Center is open six days per week. For hours, directions, and additional information on upcoming exhibits and events please visit schack.org.