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[Photo Archive]: Asian/Pacific Lesbians and Gays

[Hollywood: circa 1982]

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Archive of snapshot photographs documenting social events and activities organized by the Asian/Pacific Lesbians and Gays organization in the Los Angeles area, circa 1982. 51 glossy color photographs (3½" x 5½"). Some very slight fading on a few images, else fine. Most appear to have been shot at an amateur variety show that featured live music, risqué skits, performances in drag, dancing, etc. Another sequence shows traditional family picnic games like tug-of-war, volleyball, and egg rolling in a park setting. Most bear the ink stamp of Baron Studio of Hollywood, California on the verso.

“Asian/Pacific Lesbians and Gays (A/PLG) was created in 1980 to meet the needs of gay men and women of Asian and Pacific heritage and to provide a support system in their relations with their families and communities so as to understand and accept each other with caring and pride. The idea of forming an organization for gay Asians had been discussed before 1980, but an important impetus came from gay liberation pioneer Morris Kight, who then had an Asian partner. A/PLG strives to enhance identity, pride, personal growth, competence, empowerment, and leadership skills as well as inform its members of political and social issues. Other goals include building solidarity between Asian gay men and lesbians and between native Asian-Americans and those who had emigrated from other countries. The organization provides support groups, seminars, and social events for its members. In 1997, the name changed to its current form, Asian/Pacific Gays and Friends.” Presumably these were taken for the group but these seem to be relatively amateurish candid snapshot images, and as such are very uncommon, and perhaps unique images. [\[BTC#396575\]](#)







