



Creating Social Change Through Culture:



A Hmong Lunch and Learn Series

Have you ever wondered how oppression affects women who live within a patriarchal society? Where men are born with privilege and women have to earn theirs? How girls are born as strangers and boys are born as heirs? How women are the pillar of the family, yet have no say in how she should live her life?

Hmong American Women’s Association will host 4 (four) Lunch and Learn workshops for advocates, nurses, doctors, attorneys, police officers, teachers, social workers, CPS workers, and anybody who work with, come in contact with, or just want to understand more about the Hmong community. All four workshops will focus on the oppression of Hmong women and how each topic contributes to domestic violence. The Lunch and Learn series will cover:

1. **Birth Rights:** What are male and female birth rights? How are women and girls affected by these birth rights? What role do birth rights play in the war of oppression and privilege? Can you eat chicken for a whole month?
2. **Weddings/Marriage:** Do men really have to pay a bride price? Which family does the bride belong to? What? She can’t visit her birth parents? What’s the live chicken for?
3. **Religion:** How many spirits can a person have? Which religion am I? Can a shaman be both male or female? Can women worhsip ancestors?
4. **Funerals:** What happens to a woman’s soul if she isn’t given a proper burial? What if a woman has no husband or sons? Can a woman perform the funeral rituals? What is a qeej?

All participants will get a chance live through the “Hmong” experience during each Lunch and Learn workshop. All workshops are interactive. *All participants must be open minded in learning about the Hmong culture and its beliefs during the workshops without judgment.* A traditional Hmong lunch will be provided.

Workshop	Date	Fee	Registration Deadline	Time
Birth Rights	April 26, 2011	\$15	April 14, 2011	11:00 – 1:30
Weddings/Marriage	May 24, 2011	\$15	May 12, 2011	11:00 – 1:30
Religion	June 21, 2011	\$15	June 9, 2011	11:00 - 1:30
Funerals	July 26, 2011	\$15	July 13, 2011	11:00 - 1:30

Fees will cover lunch and materials. Space is limited to 20 participants per workshop. All workshops are held at the Hmong American Women’s Association. 7212 W. Fond Du Lac Ave. Milwaukee, WI 53218

For more information, contact MayTong Chang: 414-342-0858





Registration



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Name:	Title:
Agency:	
Address:	
Email:	Telephone:

Please check if you are a vegetarian: _____

Do you have any food allergies? Yes _____ No

Check the workshop(s) that you are registering to attend:

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Attend all four workshops and save \$15. Only one registration form is needed if you plan to attend more than one workshop.

Make checks payable to Hmong American Women's Association.

Total Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

Mail or fax registration to:

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