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## **FAPA Mobilizes Community to Bring *Invisible Nation* across the U.S. through PBS broadcast and University Tour for Taiwanese American Heritage Week**

The Formosan Association for Public Affairs (FAPA) is driving a nationwide public education campaign to promote Taiwan’s story across the United States through the *Invisible Nation* university screening tour and the Public Broadcasting System (PBS), with the documentary scheduled for nationwide broadcasts beginning May 1, 2026.

“We wanted the PBS airdate of *Invisible Nation* to kick off the Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month, and of course, **our own Taiwanese American Heritage Week**, so that communities across the country could learn Taiwan’s story directly,” said Dr. Su-Mei Kao (林素梅), National President of FAPA. “The struggle for democracy in Taiwan, and the experience of having your identity marginalized, resonates deeply with Taiwanese Americans who have long fought simply to be recognized as Taiwanese. Taiwanese American Heritage Week invites everyone to explore more deeply about Taiwan’s democratic journey, statehood, and identity.”

“Through initiatives like this university tour, we are ensuring that Taiwan is understood on its own terms,” Dr. Kao added.

### **Bringing Taiwan’s Story to the Next Generation**

Since March, FAPA has co-organized a national university tour of *Invisible Nation* with film director Vanessa Hope and the film’s production team. Key campus partners — including the Alexander Hamilton Society (an organization of foreign policy and national security students) — and local FAPA chapters have facilitated these campus events. Organizations such as TaiwaneseAmerican.org and the Taiwanese Association of America (TAA-USA) also contributed to making the university tour possible.

The tour has already reached over 1,000 attendees and is on track to **span 19 university campuses across 11 states**, including Yale University, the University of California, Berkeley, and the University of Florida.

Each stop features panel discussions with leading diplomats, policymakers, and scholars, providing the next generation of leaders in foreign policy and national security with a deeper and more grounded understanding of Taiwan.

### **Taiwan’s Story in Living Rooms Across America**

Beginning May 1, 2026, PBS will begin broadcasting *Invisible Nation* on local stations across the country. The film has already achieved carriage in over 77% of U.S. media markets, and that number is expected to climb.



This milestone was made possible in large part through the generosity and mobilization of individual donors within the FAPA community — reflecting a deep commitment to bringing Taiwan’s story to a national audience.

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Catch a PBS Broadcast during the Taiwanese American Heritage Week\*:

- Boston (WGBH) — May 3 (Sun) at 7 p.m. & May 9 (Sat) at 7 p.m.
- Chicago (WTTW) — May 10 (Sun) at 10:30 p.m.
- San Diego (KPBS) — May 12 (Tue) at 11 p.m.
- Honolulu (PBS Hawai‘i) — May 12 (Tue) at 9 p.m.
- Los Angeles (KVCR) — May 13 (Wed) at 9:30 p.m.
- Columbus/Athens (WOUB) — May 16 (Sat) at 9 p.m.
- Washington, D.C./Maryland (WMPT) — May 17 (Sun) at 4:30 p.m.
- Atlanta (WABE) — May 17 (Sun) at 10 p.m.
- San Francisco (KQED) — May 18 (Mon) at 9 p.m.

\*Not a comprehensive list of broadcasts.

For more listings, please check your local PBS station for additional broadcast times.

### Other ways to watch

The film will be available to stream for free on PBS.org and the PBS Passport app beginning May 1, 2026.

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