

Silk Road Rising is proud to co-host CAATA and the 6th National Asian American Theater Conference and Festival (ConFest) in Chicago this August

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## Revolutionary Acts. August 13-18, 2018.



Join us for the 6th National Asian American Theater Conference and Festival (ConFest) – an exciting week of theater performances, new play readings, workshops, breakout sessions, networking, parties, and more!

As a board member of the Consortium of Asian American Theaters and Artists (CAATA), I am proud that Silk Road Rising will co-host [CAATA ConFest](#) in Chicago this August, overlapping with our "New China Festival."



### Art and Activism

A consortium of Asian American theatres and artists, by definition, constitutes a movement. And in moving to expand the American story, we're committing *revolutionary acts*, the theme of this year's CAATA ConFest.

The peoples and cultures of Asia, from Japan to Syria and Polynesia to Kazakhstan, can trace settlement in the Americas well before any present-day national borders. Yet in the crafting of the narratives of these new nations, our stories were largely erased. This year's CAATA ConFest in Chicago is itself a revolutionary act, an intentional reversal of that deliberate erasure. It represents yet another milestone in raising our voices and asserting our power. For if culture is defined by the artist, then the artist is unmistakably an activist.



## New China Festival at ConFest

We are excited that Silk Road Rising's [New China Festival](#) will be featured as a part of the 2018 CAATA ConFest. The New China Festival features plays from the Chinese-speaking world that have been translated into English, offering ConFest attendees and Chicago audiences a window into contemporary Chinese storytelling. The opportunity to nationally highlight the work of our talented local and transnational collaborators is itself revolutionary.

Silk Road Rising is a national leader in the Consortium. We are especially pleased that the 2018 CAATA ConFest will convene Chicago's artistic, cultural and civic stakeholders alongside national artistic leaders of color to address the sustainability of our local and national theatre ecologies.

[Learn More About New China Festival and Purchase Tickets](#)

## You can also join us by purchasing the 2018 ConFest Pass which includes:

- 5 Festival Shows & 5 New Play Readings
- Ticket to Hot Asian Everything: Revolt and opening night party
- All Conference Plenary, Breakout, and Workshop Sessions (4 tracks)
- Additional Happy Hours & Evening Events
- One year of free CAATA membership

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