

Joyce D. Bantugan (APIA 2024)

OLIVER CHIN

Chinese American Author Born: May 1969 (Los Angeles, California)

Oliver is an author, editor, and co-founder of Immedium Books (2004), an independent publisher of diverse children's picture books based in San Francisco. Immedium has published over fifty books since 2005, increasing the representation of Asian American characters in media. Oliver wrote multiple popular series: Tales from the Chinese Zodiac (2010-21) that is currently reprinted bilingually, Julie Black Belt (2008, 2013), Awesome Asian Americans (2020, 2022), and The Asian Hall of Fame (2017, 2018, 2019, and 2023). With Immedium, he continues to write and publish books, even inspiring a hit animated television series called *The Octonauts* that aired on the Disney Channel.