

# Becoming Chinese-American in Albuquerque



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Historians Suellen Cheng and Dr. Munson A. Kwok discuss the resilience, persistence, and even inventiveness of Chinese-Americans in joining Southwestern and American society. The Chinese reached New Mexico by the 1880's, laying the rail of the AT&SF and following it to settle during the harsh era initiated by the 1882 Chinese Exclusion Act. These pioneers endured not only common economic survival challenges but also social and political ostracization and responded by launching a civil rights movement, including establishing the Chinese American Citizens Alliance.

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