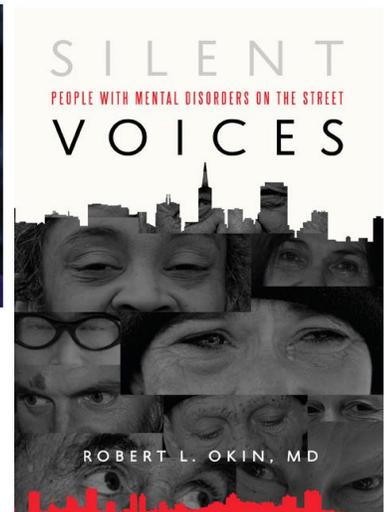


# Community Voices: Stories from the Frontline

Friday, November 13<sup>th</sup>, 9am – 12pm  
LOCATION: State Building, Milton Marks Auditorium  
@ 455 Golden Gate Avenue, San Francisco

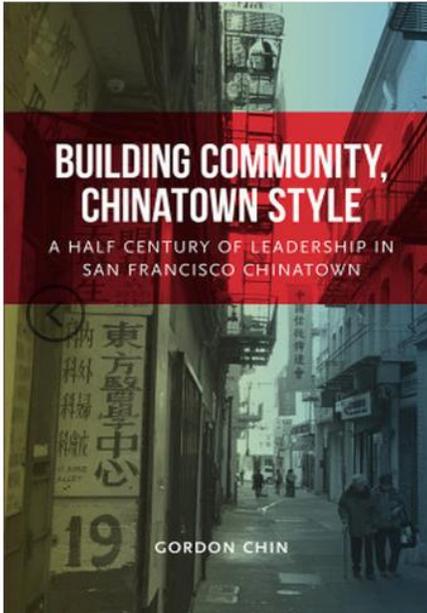
**Presenters: Gordon Chin, MSW and Robert L. Okin, MD**

Robert Okin, MD was chief of service at SFGH Department of Psychiatry; professor of clinical psychiatry at UCSF; and vice chair of the UCSF, School of Medicine's Department of Psychiatry, where he oversaw the development of crucial services for San Francisco's most acute & chronic patients with mental health conditions, including the SFGH Department of Psychiatry's culturally focused inpatient units and Emergency Department Case Management Program (which received the National Association of Public Hospitals and Health Systems' Safety Net Award in 1999). He has been quoted numerous times in the *New York Times*, was featured on ABC's *20/20*, and in 2009, he received the American Psychiatric Association's prestigious Human Rights Award.



*Psychiatrist Dr. Okin spent two years on the street, meeting and photographing homeless individuals with mental illness. Using his ability to connect with the people he met, he masterfully brings them to life through stories and images that are intimate and gritty. The phenomenon of homelessness is taking place in our time, on our streets, on our watch. Dr. Okin's book is about hope, not just grief and despair. It challenges us to face the situation and do something about it, rather than simply look away... "Because we share their humanity. Had things gone differently in our lives, their plight could have been our own".*

Gordon Chin, MSW is the founding Executive Director of San Francisco's Chinatown Community Development Center, serving in this position until his retirement in October 2011. He has been active in San Francisco's Chinatown community for over four decades, and has served on many community and civic boards including the national boards of the Center for Community Change, the National Coalition for Asian Pacific American Community Development, and the SF Public Utilities Commission. Mr. Chin was selected as one of six inaugural fellows for the Fannie Mae Foundation's James A. Johnson Community Fellows Award, and was one of the community development leaders honored at the Local Initiatives Support Corporation's Silver Anniversary with a Mike Sviridoff Leadership Award.



*Over the last half century, San Francisco Chinatown has been a place where civic leadership has been nurtured, attracted and cultivated. Mr. Chin tells the story of generations of young activist leaders who have transformed San Francisco Chinatown for the better, while also building & developing themselves into important city-wide leaders. These budding activists set out to improve Chinatown in many ways to address many longstanding community issues; they created major change and changed public policy on housing, transportation, public space and culture. His book offers insights into the issues and experiences that have not only transformed Chinatown, but which have helped to groom leadership beyond just the Chinese American community.*

**About Evelyn Yee-Wai Miu Lee Fong (1944-2003):** This annual training has been named in honor of Evelyn Yee-Wai Miu Lee Fong, Ed.D., L.C.S.W., who was widely respected in the mental health field and the Asian American community, as a clinician, administrator, teacher, author, community advocate, and humanitarian. Dr. Lee served as the Executive Director of RAMS, Inc. (1990-2003) as well as a Clinical Professor of Psychiatry at UCSF, Vice President for the Board of National Asian American Pacific Islander Mental Health Association (NAAPIMHA), and she received numerous community service and teaching awards throughout her career, in recognition for foresight and innovation in the mental health field. <http://www.evelynlee-mentalhealth.org>