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## 中華才藝協會2020年農曆新年慶祝活動

為迎接象徵財富與開啟12生肖的鼠年，將於芝加哥最具代表的千禧公園、瑪姬戴立公園、芝加哥文化中心、海軍馬頭、密西根大道蘋果旗艦店及芝加哥美術館等地，推出各式開放大眾的免費活動包括中華音樂、舞蹈、武術及芝加哥在地知名的華人表演藝術家演出。

伊利諾芝加哥市(2020年1月新聞稿)

中華才藝協會為慶祝農曆春節，與Choose Chicago、芝加哥文化中心、海軍馬頭、芝加哥美術館、芝加哥公園管理處及密西根大道蘋果旗艦店等共同合辦策畫，將於1月24日至2月8日推出一系列的歡慶鼠年活動，活動詳細說明附於新聞稿之後。

中華才藝協會將提供大芝加哥地區，最能展現美與活力之中國豐碩新年傳統。中華才藝協會36年來一直致力於領導著推動精緻中華音樂、舞蹈及視覺藝術。2020年更將迎接象徵財富與開啟新一輪12生肖的農曆鼠年。

首先揭開全市序幕的是將於1月24日星期五農曆新年除夕中午12點，在芝加哥市府中心普林斯頓布萊德利大廳 (Preston Bradley Hall, 78 E. Washington St)，中華才藝協會協同芝加哥文化中心之文化事務特別活動部門與Choose Chicago共同策畫的免費特別慶演，推出複合式藝術表演包括舞獅、中華音樂、舞蹈、在地藝術家表演及來自中國「浙江紹劇藝術團」的特別客座藝術家們的演出。

緊接著節慶將於1月25日星期六農曆新年當天下午1點到5點，海軍碼頭(Navy Pier, 600 E. Grand Ave) Aon 大禮廳將變身為適合全家光臨，結合美食、手工藝品及各項表演活動的中國慶典市集。其中分為三個舞台，分別由芝加哥中國文化中心舞獅團、琵琶大師楊惟、獲獎享譽的飛天舞團，皓舞、銀河舞團、希林舞團及武術團包括北斗功夫與中華功夫武術團、傳統中華音樂八音中國樂器演奏團、芝加哥Tuvergen樂團、成大鼓陣並集合其他芝城華人藝術界共襄盛舉。「浙江紹劇藝術團」也會在此表演一小段即將在芝加哥交響樂中心展出的劇碼。

2月1日星期六下午2點半至3點半將於密西根大道蘋果旗艦店(401 N Michigan Ave)繼續慶祝農曆新年，以互動式的綜合媒材藝術表演包括中華舞蹈、武術、書法和音樂等與觀眾分享；同時還可親手體驗蘋果手機iPhone的慢動作及縮時攝影等特殊錄影功能，與蘋果電腦的「今日蘋果團隊」學習拍攝現場表演之操作技巧。

節慶尾聲將邀請各年齡層的民眾2月8日下午1點到4點半到芝加哥美術館，除了製作美術勞作、音樂、遊戲、藝術家現場展演、12生肖的布偶劇等，還有美術館迴廊藝術導覽欣賞中華藝術陳列品。之後歡迎大家加入由舞獅領頭踩街提燈籠，一起走在從千禧公園到瑪姬戴利公園這一段步道。除了舞獅，還有在緞帶運動公園欣賞舞獅及溜冰特別演出，或加入公園活動中心裡的美術勞作等各項賀新年活動。

中華才藝協會理事長刁明慧表示：「農曆新年對於全世界中國人來說是一年中最大的慶祝節日，我們非常興奮的看到越來越多芝加哥文化相關單位推崇這個傳統，一同推動並創造機會，並延續中國五千年的文化傳承。

更多信息請參考中華才藝協會農曆新年活動網站：[www.chinesefinearts.org](http://www.chinesefinearts.org)

### 2020年中華才藝協會農曆新年活動日程

#### 全芝加哥市農曆新年開啟慶祝活動

日期: 1月24日星期五

時間: 中午12點至下午1點

地點: 芝加哥文化中心-Preston Bradley Hall (78 E. Washington St)

費用: 免費入場

更多訊息請參考: [www.chinesefinearts.org](http://www.chinesefinearts.org)

#### 全球連結系列: 海軍碼頭農曆新年慶祝活動

日期: 1月25日 星期六

時間: 下午1點至5點

地點: 海軍碼頭- Aon Grand Ballroom (600 E. Grand Ave)

費用: 免費入場

更多訊息請參考: [www.chinesefinearts.org](http://www.chinesefinearts.org)

#### Today at Apple

##### 音樂實驗室: 慶祝中國新年

日期: 2月1日星期六

時間: 下午2點至3點30分

地點: 密西根大道蘋果旗艦店 Apple Michigan Avenue (401 N Michigan Ave, Chicago, IL 60611)

網站: [apple.com/today](http://apple.com/today)

#### 農曆新年慶祝與提燈籠踩街活動

日期: 2月8日星期六

時間:

- 芝加哥美術館(Art Institute of Chicago)下午1點至4點30分
- 提燈籠踩街從千禧公園到瑪姬戴利緞帶溜冰運動公園下午5點整隊。
- 下午5點30分開始進行踩街。
- 下午6點至7點30分在瑪姬戴利公園處，溜冰表演、舞龍及美術勞作製作

地點: 芝加哥美術館The Art Institute of Chicago (111 S. Michigan Ave)

瑪姬戴利公園Maggie Daley Park (337 E. Randolph St)

費用: 芝加哥美術館一般入場費，請查閱[美術館活動官網](#)。提燈籠踩街及其他瑪姬戴利公園活動開放民眾免費入場。

關於踩街活動，將會在芝加哥美術館西翼入口處整隊，位於千禧公園Lurie花園的西側(請尋找燈籠，並請看新聞稿下方的地圖)。燈籠與燈將會在整隊的時候以支付5美元為訂金取得，並在瑪姬戴利

公園活動結束時歸還到中華才藝協會服務桌(請尋找中華才藝協會布條)。燈籠數量有限，先到先取得發完為止，沒有燈籠也可以參加踩街遊行，也可自備燈籠參加。

如計畫組隊或組織團體參加燈籠踩街活動，或對擔任志工有興趣者，請聯絡Elizabeth Clawson at [eclawson@chinesefinearts.org](mailto:eclawson@chinesefinearts.org)。

**Chinese Fine Arts Society Announces its  
2020 Chinese New Year Celebrations**

*Celebrate the year of the rat, a symbol of wealth and the beginning of the zodiac cycle, with FREE events open to the public at iconic Chicago locations including Millennium Park, Maggie Daley Park, the Chicago Cultural Center, Navy Pier, Apple Michigan Avenue, and the Art Institute of Chicago. Enjoy performances of Chinese music, dance, martial arts, and more by many of Chicago's most esteemed performers within the Chinese community.*

**Chicago, IL (January, 2020)** —The Chinese Fine Arts Society (CFAS) announces an exciting series of Chinese New Year events celebrating the Year of the Rat, **January 24 - February 8**, in partnership with **Choose Chicago, the Department of Cultural Affairs and Special Events, Navy Pier, the Art Institute of Chicago, the Chicago Park District, and Apple Michigan Avenue**. Event details are included at the end of this release.

CFAS will provide programming throughout the Chicagoland area, showcasing the vibrancy, beauty and richness of Chinese New Year traditions. For 35 years, CFAS has been a leader in promoting excellence in Chinese music, dance, and visual arts. 2020 will usher in the Year of the Rat, symbolizing abundance and wealth, as well as the beginning of a new zodiac cycle.

Celebrations begin on **Friday, January 24**, the eve of the Lunar New Year, with a city-wide Chinese New Year Kickoff event presented by CFAS in partnership with **the Chicago Department of Cultural Affairs and Special Events, and Choose Chicago**. This free, multi-arts lunch-hour event starts at **12:00pm** in the **Chicago Cultural Center's Preston Bradley Hall** (78 E. Washington St.), and features lion dance, music, and dance from renowned local performers, and direct from China, special guest artists the **Zhejiang Shaoju Opera Theatre**.

Festivities continue at **Navy Pier** (600 E. Grand Ave), on **Saturday, January 25 from 1:00 - 5:00pm**. The **Aon Grand Ballroom** will be transformed into a festive Chinese marketplace with food, crafts, and performances for the whole family. Three stages will feature performances by the Chicago Chinese Cultural Center Lion Dancers, pipa master Yang Wei, the award-winning dance troupes the Flying Fairies and Hao Dance, Yin He dance, and Xilin Dance, martial arts demonstrations by Beidou Kung Fu and Zhong Hua Kung Fu, traditional Chinese music by the Eight Tones Chinese Instrument Ensemble, Tuvergen band, and Cheng Da Drum Team, and many other luminaries from the Chicago Chinese community. A sneak peek of the Shaoju Opera Theater's program at Symphony Center will also be presented.

Chinese New Year festivities continue on **Saturday, February 1, from 2:00 - 3:30pm** at **Apple Michigan Avenue**. Enjoy interactive multi-arts performances of Chinese dance, martial arts, calligraphy, and music. Then, get hands-on experience using the enhanced slo-mo and time-lapse video features of iPhone filming the performances and learn tips from Apple's own *Today at Apple* team.

CFAS **concludes its Chinese New Year celebrations** with a Lunar New Year celebration and lantern procession presented in partnership with the **Art Institute of Chicago** (111 S. Michigan Ave), **Maggie Daley Park** (337 E. Randolph St), and the **Chicago Park District**. Celebrate the Lunar New Year at the Art Institute of Chicago with artmaking, music, games, an artist demonstration, a puppet performance about the zodiac, and gallery talks in the Asian art galleries. Then, light up the night with a lion-dance led lantern procession from Millennium Park to Maggie Daley Park, followed by more New Year's activities, including a lion dance finale, art making, food, and ice skating.

"The Lunar New Year is the biggest holiday of the year for Chinese people worldwide. We are thrilled to see a growing number of major cultural institutions in Chicago embrace this tradition and create opportunities to showcase China's 5,000 year-old cultural heritage" remarked CFAS President Julie Tiao Ma.

For more information on CFAS and its upcoming Chinese New Year events, visit

[www.chinesefinearts.org](http://www.chinesefinearts.org)

### **CFAS 2020 Chinese New Year Event Calendar**

#### **Citywide Chinese New Year Kickoff**

Date – Friday, January 24th

Time – 12:00pm - 1:00pm

Location – Chicago Cultural Center, Preston Bradley Hall (78 E. Washington St)

Admission - Free and open to the public!

Link for more info – <https://chinesefinearts.org/>

#### **Global Connections Chinese New Year Celebration**

Date – Saturday, January 25th

Time – 1:00 - 5:00pm

Location – Navy Pier, AON Grand Ballroom (600 E. Grand Ave.)

Admission - Free and open to the public!

Link for more info - <https://chinesefinearts.org/>

### **Today at Apple**

Music Lab: Chinese New Year Celebration

Date - Saturday, February 1

Time - 2:00 - 3:30pm

Location - Apple Michigan Avenue (401 N Michigan Ave, Chicago, IL 60611)

Website - [apple.com/today](https://apple.com/today)

### **Lunar New Year Celebration and Lantern Procession**

Date - Saturday, February 8th

Time(s):

- Events at the Art Institute of Chicago - 1:00pm - 4:30pm
- Lantern Procession From Millennium Park to Maggie Daley Skating Ribbon - 5:00pm
- Skating Demonstrations, Lion Dance, and Activities at Maggie Daley Park - 6:00pm - 7:30pm

Location - Art Institute of Chicago; Maggie Daley Park

Admission:

- Lantern Procession and Maggie Daley Park activities are free and open to the public!
- Normal admission rates apply at the Art Institute of Chicago

Link for more info – <https://chinesefinearts.org/>

Additional Information - The procession will line up across from the Art Institute's Modern Wing on the West side of The Lurie Garden (look for the lanterns, and see the bottom of this release for map)). Lanterns with lights will be available to participants at the procession line-up location for a \$5 deposit. Lanterns can be returned to at the Chinese Fine Arts Society table in Maggie Daley Park at the end of the parade route. (Look for the CFAS Banner) Lanterns available on a first come, first served basis, but a lantern is not required to join the procession! Participants may also bring their own lanterns.

If you are interested in bringing a large group or club to join the lantern procession, or interested in volunteering, please contact Elizabeth Clawson at [eclawson@chinesefinearts.org](mailto:eclawson@chinesefinearts.org).

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### **About the Chinese Fine Arts Society**

The Chinese Fine Arts Society (CFAS) is a Chicago-based non-profit dedicated to promoting the appreciation of Chinese culture, enhancing cultural exchange, and pursuing excellence in Chinese music, dance, and visual arts. Since its founding in 1984, CFAS has been a leading champion of Chinese culture, bringing together people from diverse backgrounds to celebrate the beauty and majesty of both traditional and contemporary Chinese art. Find more information about the Chinese Fine Arts Society's events at [chinesefinearts.org](https://chinesefinearts.org).

## About Choose Chicago

Choose Chicago is the official destination marketing organization for Chicago, Illinois. Its mission is to bring regional, national and international business and leisure visitors to Chicago for the economic benefit of the City, the community and its membership. Choose Chicago and the China International Cultural Association signed a Memorandum of Understanding in 2015, strengthening cultural ties between Chicago and China. For a comprehensive listing of many of the amazing events and activities awaiting visitors, visit [ChooseChicago.com](http://ChooseChicago.com).

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### Map of line-up location and route for February 9

