# Chinese Arts Festival

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**SATURDAY AND SUNDAY, MARCH 2 - 3, 2013**

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34 Hillhouse Avenue  
Room 203 |  |
| 1:00 pm | Tai Chi Workshop  
Snake Petting Zoo  
Arts and Crafts Table  
New Haven Museum Exhibits | Chinese Instruments Demonstration 45 min |  |
| 2:00 pm | Chinese Dance Workshop  
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| 4:00 pm | EastRiver Ensemble Performance  
(NEW Haven Museum, 114 Whitney Avenue) |  |  |

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**LION DANCE PARADE  10:00 AM**

**Location: Whitney Avenue between Grove and Trumbull**

The Wan Chi Ming Hung Gar Institute’s lion dance troupe will perform down the streets of Whitney Avenue with two lions to celebrate the Lunar New Year. The lion dances to get a cabbage (a symbol for wealth) and hongbao (a red envelope with money inside). Lion dance troupes go from shop to shop to bring good luck to the shopkeepers and ward off bad spirits. Shopkeepers traditionally hang a cabbage with hongbao in their doorway for the lion to eat. The hongbao can also be fed directly to the lion. A good performance involves martial arts and collaborative skill to animate the lion.
NEW HAVEN MUSEUM  1:00 - 4:00 PM  
Location: New Haven Museum, 114 Whitney Avenue
Exhibits include “The New Haven Green: Centerpiece of a City,” “Cycle New Haven,” and “One Hundred Fifty Years of Collecting: Eight Documents from Four Centuries.” Permanent exhibits include the “Maritime New Haven” and “Cinque Lives Here” (Amistad), as well as an array of artifacts, documents, and art from New Haven history in the “New Haven Illustrated” Gallery. Please note that admission to the Museum is free only for children and their adult companions participating in the special events and activities for the Chinese Arts Festival.

SNAKE PETTING ZOO  1:00 - 3:00 PM  
Location: New Haven Museum, 114 Whitney Avenue
In celebration of the Year of the Snake, West Rock Nature Center will exhibit a variety of snakes for visitors to learn about and interact with at the New Haven Museum. All ages welcome.

TAI CHI WORKSHOP  1:00 - 2:00 PM  
Location: New Haven Museum, 114 Whitney Avenue
Master Aiping Cheng instructs a 45-minute introductory course on Tai Chi, one of the major pastimes of the Chinese used both for martial arts training as well as internal well-being. Tai Chi is founded on the yin-yang balance system and the five agents (“wu xing”) theory (water, fire, earth, wood, metal). Recommended for ages 12+.

CHINESE DANCE WORKSHOP  2:00 PM, 2:45 PM  
Location: New Haven Museum, 114 Whitney Avenue
Members of Yale undergraduate dance troupes teach a few traditional Chinese dances, such as the fan dance. Students of any age learn to express individual artistry as well as group collaboration in fluid motions and coordinated formations.

CHINESE INSTRUMENTS DEMONSTRATION  1:00 PM, 2:00 PM  
Location: Room 203, Luce Hall, 34 Hillhouse Avenue
The New York-based EastRiver Ensemble showcases Chinese instruments (such as erhu and guzheng) with explanations of origin and role in an orchestra. The Ensemble performs a short excerpt at the end of each session and will provide a final performance at 4:00 PM at the New Haven Museum (114 Whitney Avenue).

EVENTS ARE FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC
REGISTRATION REQUIRED
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**FIRESIDE CHAT WITH AUDRA ANG  1:00 - 2:15 PM**  
*Location: Luce Hall Auditorium, 34 Hillhouse Avenue*  
Join Yale-China Association Executive Director Nancy Yao Maasbach as she moderates a conversation with Audra Ang, a Beijing-based correspondent for The Associated Press from 2002 through 2009. Ms. Ang will talk about her experiences and observations as a reporter and food taster through China. Ms. Ang’s new book “To the People, Food is Heaven” will be available for purchase and signing at this author’s talk.

**CALLIGRAPHY WORKSHOP  1:00 PM, 2:00 PM**  
*Location: Room 203, Luce Hall, 34 Hillhouse Avenue*  
Expert calligrapher instructs on the art of Chinese calligraphy and brush strokes. Students learn about some basic cultural elements that form the underpinning of this art. Students will be able to practice brush strokes and learn a few Chinese characters.

**PAPERCUTTING CRAFT TABLE  1:00 - 3:00 PM**  
*Location: Room 202, Luce Hall, 34 Hillhouse Avenue*  
Learn the art of Chinese papercutting. Intricate designs illustrate ancient symbols or household designs that are fashioned with delicate mian paper. Students cut and keep their designs.

**PEACOCK DANCE DEMONSTRATION AND PERFORMANCE  3:00 - 3:30 PM**  
*Location: Luce Hall Auditorium, 34 Hillhouse Avenue*  
Xi Wang, the renowned dancer of the Dai ethnic tribe peacock dance, demonstrates some of the peacock motions and explains the meaning behind each motion. In the Dai culture, the peacock represents grace and beauty, and the associated dance features a repertoire of skilled wrist, hand, and arm movements, each illustrating the elegance and flexibility of the dancer. Q&A follows.

For more information or to REGISTER, please visit [www.yalechina.org/snake](http://www.yalechina.org/snake)  
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