# Lunar New Year events

Many community groups and organizations are holding events in celebration of the Lunar New Year. Following are some events held in Oregon and Washington.

# "New Years All Year Round"

Currently on display, 10am-5pm (Tue-Sun), Wing Luke Museum of the Asian Pacific American Experience (719 S King St, Seattle). View a fun, family-friendly exhibit that looks at Lao, Chinese, and Polynesian New Year traditions, colors, games, and cuisine. For info, call (206) 623-5124 or visit <a href="https://www.wingluke.org">www.wingluke.org</a>

# **Lunar New Year at The Wing**

Jan 25, 11am-3pm, Wing Luke Museum of the Asian Pacific American Experience (719 S King St, Seattle). Celebrate the Year of the Horse at the Wing Luke Museum of the Asian Pacific American Experience. The event includes access to the "New Years All Year Round" exhibit; a lion dance by the Lieu Quan Lion Dance Team (11am); and a Lunar New Year Fair with crafts, games, and new year stories (11:30am-3pm). For info, call (206) 623-5124 or visit <a href="https://www.wingluke.org">www.wingluke.org</a>.

## **Lunar New Year in Bellevue**

Jan 25, 3-8:30pm, Westminster Chapel (13646 NE 24th St, Bellevue, Wash.). Ring in the Year of the Horse at a Lunar New Year celebration featuring food, crafts, games, traditional music and dance, demonstrations, and more. For info, call (425) 747-1461, e-mail <LNY@westminster.org>, or visit <www.westminster.org>.

# **Hong Bao Gala**

Jan 25, 5pm, Northwest Events & Environments (2900 NW 229th Ave, Hillsboro, Ore.). Attend the Hong Bao Gala, an event benefitting the Northwest Chinese Academy. The soiree celebrating the Year of the Horse includes live and silent auctions, dinner, and entertainment. For info, or to buy tickets, call (503) 546-3455, e-mail <auction@nwchineseacademy.org>, or visit <www.nwchineseacademy.org>.

# **API Pride Lunar New Year Banquet**

 $\rm Jan\,25,\,5:30\text{-}8:30pm,\,Szechuan\,Chef\,(5331\,SW\,Macadam\,Ave,\,Portland).$  Join members of API Pride for the organization's



MOCHITSUKI 2014. Mochitsuki, the annual Japanese-American New Year celebration, takes place Sunday, January 26 at the Scottish Rite Center in southwest Portland. The event includes a Community Fair, mochi pounding, Japanese food, hands-on activities, performances, ikebana, origami, games, and more. Pictured are members of the Dance Leo performance group entertaining the audience at last year's Mochitsuki celebration. (AR Photo/Jan Landis)

annual Lunar New Year Banquet. The event includes food, games, prizes, and more. API Pride supports lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer people of Asian and Pacific Islander (API) descent in Oregon. For info, or to buy tickets, call (503) 877-9379, e-mail <api.pride@gmail.com>, or visit <a href="mailto:swww.api-pride.blogspot.com">cm>.</a>

# **Tet Festival at Seattle Center**

Jan 25-26, 11am-6:30pm (Sat-Sun), Seattle Center (305 Harrison St, Seattle). Attend *Tet Nguyen Dan* — the Vietnamese New Year — presented by Seattle Center Festál in partnership with Tet in Seattle. Tet Festival 2014 ushers in the Lunar New Year with lucky money, a lion dance, performances, food, martial arts demonstrations, and more. For info, call (206) 684-7200, or visit <www.seattlecenter.com> or <www.tetinseattle.org>.

#### Mochitsuki 2014

Jan 26, 11am-4pm, Scottish Rite Center (1512 SW Morrison St, Portland). Attend Mochitsuki 2014, the annual Japanese-American New Year celebration. The event includes a Community Fair, *mochi* pounding, Japanese food, hands-on activities,

performances, *ikebana*, origami, games, and more. The event also includes stage shows (11:30am-3:00pm) featuring Portland Taiko, the Sahomi Tachibana Dancers, Takohachi taiko, Dance Leo, storyteller Alton Chung, and others. For info, call (503) 224-1458 or visit <www.mochipdx.org>.

## **PSU Tet Show**

Jan 26, 1-5pm, Portland State University (PSU), Smith Center Ballroom, Room 355 (1825 SW Broadway, Portland). Enjoy entertainment, a lion dance, a fashion show, dan tranh and dan bau (traditional instrument) performances, games, and more at the PSU Tet Show, presented by the PSU Vietnamese Student Association. Doors open at 1:00pm and performances begin at 2:30pm. For info, call (503) 725-5855 or (503) 442-8873, or e-mail <vsa@pdx.edu>. To buy tickets, call (503) 725-3307.

# Year of the Horse storytime

Jan 29, 10am, Barnes & Noble Bridgeport Village (7227 SW Bridgeport Rd, Tigard, Ore.). Take part in a children's storytime celebrating the Year of the Horse. Participants learn about the holiday, preparations, and festivities held as part of the celebration. The event also includes a hands-on craft, a Dragon Parade, and treats. For info, call (503) 431-7575.

#### **Chinese New Year at PSU**

Jan 31, 5:30-9pm, Portland State University (PSU), Smith Center Ballroom, Room 355 (1825 SW Broadway, Portland). Attend a Chinese New Year Celebration Gala at PSU, an event held in honor of the Year of the Horse/Ma. For info, call (503) 725-8576, e-mail <confucius@pdx.edu>, or visit <www.oia.pdx.edu/confucius>.

# Chinglish Lunar New Year events

Jan 31, Feb 1 & 2, 6:45pm, Gerding Theater at the Armory, Main Lobby (128 NW 11th Ave, Portland). Watch Chinese lion dancing, tai chi, and martial arts presented by students from the U.S. Wushu Center and Qian Kun Institute prior to the 7:30pm performances of *Chinglish*. The events, which are free and open to the public, are held in honor of the Year of the Horse. For info, call (503) 445-3700 or visit <www.pcs.org>.

# Asian New Year kite exhibit

Jan 31-Feb 12 (Fri-Tue), 11am-5pm, World Kite Museum and Hall of Fame (303 Sid Snyder Dr, Long Beach, Wash.). View an exhibit of aerial art held in honor of the Asian New Year. The display features Japanese kites, crafts, literature, and more. For info, call (360) 642-4020, e-mail <info@worldkitemuseum.com>, or visit <www.worldkitemuseum.com>.

### **Chinese New Year celebration**

Jan 31-Feb 14 (daily), 10am-5pm, Lan Su Chinese Garden (NW Third Ave & NW Everett St, Portland). Ring in the Chinese Continued on page 17

Gerding Theater at the Armory 503

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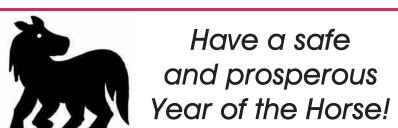
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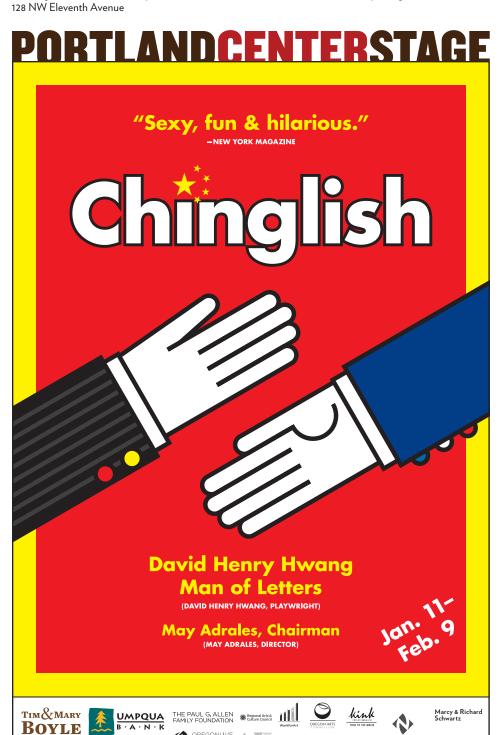
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