



IN-SCHOOL PERFORMANCES/ ASSEMBLIES

CHINA PATTERNS

Performed in full, traditional Chinese costumes, China Patterns introduces students to Chinese culture through language lessons, historical background, on-stage demonstrations and audience interaction. By transporting the audience to a world of colorful myths, historical drama and timeless beauty, the program weaves through many varied terrains of time, region, legend and reality. The diversity of dance selections, authentic costumes, music, props, and narration illustrates and explains traits, customs and patterns of Chinese life. (Note: The Lion Dance could be an add-on to this program for an additional fee.)

(Grades: K-12. Length: 45 min.)

CHINESE ACROBAT

Our award winning acrobatic artist brings a wide range of acrobatic acts, including plate spinning, trick cycling, foot juggling and Chinese water bowl manipulations to demonstrate the physical skill on flexibility and coordination. Acrobatics are a form of art extracted from skills in daily life, work and martial arts, and are known to have existed as early as the Qin Dynasty (221-207BC).

(Grades: K-12. Length: 45 min.)

LION DANCE PLUS

This 45-minute program, including a demonstration/ interactive segment, introduces beloved ancient Chinese folk arts pieces, including excerpts from Peking opera featuring the popular Monkey King character, as well as the Chinese ribbon dance. (Note: The Chinese Acrobat could be an add-on to this program for an additional fee.)

(Grades: K-12. Length: 45 min.)



DANCE & MARTIAL ARTS

FAN AND/OR RIBBON DANCE

Students work with professional dancers to learn Chinese ribbon and/or fan dance techniques, the specific Chinese hand gestures and their symbolic meanings. Drawing from the lesson, students discover how movement evokes feelings and images; how different movements are integrated and interwoven to create new ones; and how to compose a group dance. Simple Chinese language and vocabulary are integrated into the workshop.

(Grades: 2-12. Length: 45 min.)

CHINESE MARTIAL ARTS

An introductory workshop that demonstrates traditional martial arts forms originating from Shaolin and Yang style Tai Chi. It gives students an excellent method of exercise, improves physical coordination and stamina as well as develops their reflexes and self-esteem.

(Grades: 3-12. Length: 45 min.)

ARTS & CRAFTS

CALLIGRAPHY AND/OR INK BRUSH PAINTING

Using an ink brush, the teaching artist shows and explains the relationship between ancient Chinese pictographs and their modern day ideographs. The instructor also demonstrates how this simple writing tool and a range of ink colors can coat a canvas to create lush panoramic landscape views of mountains, rivers and forests. Students get to participate by learning how to write with the brush and create their own paintings and Chinese symbols on rice paper.

(Grades: 2-12. Length: 45 min.)

PAPER CUTTING & PAPER FOLDING

A unique hands-on experience! Students practice hand coordination through learning to create images ranging from animals to elaborate designs by simply cutting and folding paper.

(Grades: K-12. Length: 45 min.)

WORKSHOPS AND RESIDENCIES

Up to 30 students/per session



CHINESE LANGUAGE

Learn Chinese language through fun and culturally enriching classes that use images, songs, games and other activities to teach the basics of vocabulary, conversation, reading and writing. Students will learn Chinese through grade appropriate language exercises. Classes may include arts and crafts, singing, and dancing.

(Grades: K-5. Length: 45 min.)

AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS & RESIDENCIES

NYCCC offers individually-designed residencies and after school programs in dance, martial arts, language, and arts & crafts to fit your schedule, budget and requirements. Our teachers, trained in traditional Chinese dance, Peking opera, language, Kung Fu, and visual arts, are available for all educational needs, ranging from beginner to professional levels. For further information or to book an in-school program, please contact:

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About the NEW YORK CHINESE CULTURAL CENTER

Founded in 1974, the New York Chinese Cultural Center (NYCCC), a nonprofit cultural and educational institution, is dedicated to deepening the understanding and appreciation of Chinese culture in global and local communities. NYCCC fulfills its mission by offering professional classes, workshops, and performances while nurturing creative and innovative new works that reflect the rich cultural heritages and diverse communities of today. Presented by professional dancers from Dance China NY, resident company of NYCCC, our assembly programs bring the richness of traditional folk dance, Peking Opera, and acrobatics to audiences across the nation. Every year, NYCCC provides over 3,000 classes and conducts workshops for more than 30,000 students in the tri-state area.



TESTIMONIALS

"You have incredible educators that went above and beyond the call of duty to make this program possible for us. Thank you for hiring such capable and caring professionals."

- *Dance Residency, Dina Anzalone, Principal, Ogden Elementary School*

"The program was excellent!...It was very engaging and the performers made learning fun" - *Lion Dance Plus, New Rochelle school*

"The energy and interest gravitated to the teachers, staff, and parents present for the performance. The dancers were very engaging with the student body, and as a result the student body was very receptive to them. ...this was our best guest performance by far."

- *Assembly performance, Columbus Magnet School*

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