

CHINESE NEW YEAR CELEBRATIONS



NOTTINGHAMSHIRE
JANUARY 2012

LAKESIDE ARTS CENTRE
BROXTOWE
GEDLING
RUSHCLIFFE

WELCOME TO OUR CHINESE NEW YEAR CELEBRATIONS.

ALSO KNOWN AS THE SPRING FESTIVAL, THIS IS THE MOST WIDELY CELEBRATED EVENT IN THE ASIAN CALENDAR.

In 2012 we look forward to welcoming the Year of the Dragon. Traditionally a family celebration, the partner organisations invite individuals, friends and families to come together at a series of events and workshops across Broxtowe, Gedling, Nottingham and Rushcliffe where you can be introduced to crafts and music, exhibitions and enjoy our spectacular fireworks finale at Highfields Park.

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CHINESE PAPER LANTERNS IMPORTANT WARNING

Nottingham City Council, Nottinghamshire Fire & Rescue and The University of Nottingham do not support the use or sale of lanterns from Highfields Park. Please note that University of Nottingham Security staff will be patrolling the park and anyone selling these lanterns will be asked to leave. The launching of lanterns is also prohibited for reasons of health and safety.

Cover image: Yuan-Hsiung and Xue Qian.



6 January - 20 February,
10am - 5pm

Wallner Gallery, D H Lawrence
Pavilion, Lakeside Arts Centre
FREE

YUAN-HSIUNG WANG
AND XUE QIAN

This stunning series of
photographs are taken from a
vast collection of images by the
two documentary photographers
Yuan-Hsiung Wang and Xue
Qian. Both are concerned to
capture the rapidly changing
nature of the environment and
the way of life and culture of
some of the 56 different ethnic
groups who live in China.



Friday 20 January,
1pm (Chinese language)

Wednesday 25 January, 1pm
Djanogly Theatre, D H
Lawrence Pavilion, Lakeside
Arts Centre

Thursday 26 January, 1pm

Sutton Bonington Campus,
University of Nottingham

LUNCHTIME TALKS
WITH YUAN-HSIUNG
WANG AND XUE QIAN

The artists will present an
illustrated introduction to their
work, talking about how their
images aim to capture the
changing face of China, Chinese
landscape, and Chinese culture
following 30 years of rapid
growth which has resulted in
China being the world's second
largest economy.

Please note the first event on
Friday 20 will be in Chinese
without translation; the second
and third events will have English
translation as required.

Grateful thanks to The
University of Nottingham
Confucius Institute,
The School of Contemporary
Chinese Studies and Faculty
of Engineering



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Friday 6 January -
Sunday 12 February

Choreographer in Residence in
Nottingham and Charnwood

RONG TAO

We are delighted to welcome a return visit from Chongqing based dancer and choreographer Rong Tao, who will be working with many different groups in Nottingham and Charnwood during a 6-week East Midlands residency.

Rong Tao's very full programme will involve him developing a number of new works in 2012, including with students from Oak Field School which will contribute to a performance at the Episodes platform at Nottingham Playhouse; creating 2 new pieces with more than 40 members of the Dance4 CAT (Centre for Advanced Training); and making new work with dancers in Charnwood which will feature at the outdoor stage celebrations on 29 January.

Tao will also be visiting a number of primary schools in the area, as well as participating in the Meander Theatre week which will involve young adults with learning difficulties, and contributing to the Nottingham Confucius Institute Family Workshop Day at Lakeside on 22 January.



BROXTOWE INTERGENERATIONAL WORKSHOP PROGRAMME

For the first year Broxtowe Borough Council are pleased to invite families and individuals to get more involved in the Chinese New Year celebrations through a programme of half day workshop opportunities. Booking is essential.

**Please note that all children under 16 must be accompanied by a responsible adult*
Tickets: £3.00 (£2.50 for Leisure Card Holders) per workshop
To book: contact the Heritage Team on 01773 717353 or email culture@broxtowe.gov.uk

WORKSHOPS AND DROP-IN ACTIVITIES

Saturday 14 January, 10am -
1.00pm and 2pm - 5pm

Bartons Sports and Social
Club, 63 High Road, Chilwell,
NG9 4AJ

Suitable for all aged *4+

PROCESSIONAL ARTWORK WORKSHOP AND PARADE

Join artist Melvyn Rawlinson and create some processional artworks inspired by the colour, traditions and symbolism of Chinese New Year. Following the workshops your artworks will be stored until the day of the Chinese New Year celebrations in Beeston (Saturday 28 January). You will then meet the artist at 10.40am in Broadgate Park to be part of a procession along the pedestrian High Road and into Beeston Square, led by an elegant Geisha. The artwork will be yours to keep following the event. Don't forget to 'dress for mess' on the day.

Saturday 14 January, 10.30am -
12.30pm and 2pm - 4pm

Beeston Town Hall, Old Council
Chamber, Foster Avenue,
Beeston NG9 1AB

Suitable for everyone aged *6+

MUSICAL SOUNDSCAPES OF CHINA

Join classically trained Chinese musician Ling Peng for a musical journey using the sounds of China interwoven with inspiring stories and myths. Participants are encouraged to bring their own instruments or are welcome to use the Chinese Percussion instruments available. A fun interactive workshops for those who enjoy musical improvisation and experimentation. Who knows where this musical journey may take you?

Saturday 21 January, 10am -
12.30pm and 1.30pm - 4.00pm

Durban House Heritage Centre,
Mansfield Road, Eastwood
NG16 3DZ

Suitable for children aged *5 -
10 years and their families

A TASTE OF CHINA AT DURBAN HOUSE

A fun half day workshop for children and their families / carers. Join Ling Peng and get a good 'taste of China' through music, storytelling, arts workshops and even a bit of Dragon Dancing.



Sunday 22 January, 1 - 3pm
Angear Visitor Centre, Djanogly Theatre and Performing Arts Studio Lakeside Arts Centre, University Park, Nottingham, NG7 2RD
FREE

NOTTINGHAM CONFUCIUS INSTITUTE PRESENTS A FAMILY WORKSHOPS AFTERNOON

All are welcome to drop in and participate in sessions run by staff and students from the University of Nottingham's Confucius Institute who will introduce several traditional Chinese art and cultural ceremonies. Watch demonstrations, and then have a go. Please note it may be necessary to wait to participate in some crafts activities, and it will be necessary to book to participate in the Fan Dance Workshop

1pm - 3pm
 Paper cutting and paper folding

1pm - 3pm
 Calligraphy

1.30pm and 2.30pm
 Fan dance demonstration by Rong Tao

1.45pm
 Fan dance workshop led by Rong Tao (booking required)

1.30pm and 2.15pm
 Tai chi

1pm - 3pm
 Chinese tea ceremony

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Sunday 22 January, 2pm - 4pm
Sir Julien Cahn Pavilion, West Park, Loughborough Road, West Bridgford
Rushcliffe Borough Council and Rushcliffe Play Forum present
FREE

CHINESE NEW YEAR PLAY AFTERNOON

A great chance for families in Rushcliffe to have a go at a range of Chinese-inspired arts and craft activities, as well as the opportunity to listen to traditional Chinese stories and music from the musician and storyteller Ling Peng. *Please note that all children under 16 must be accompanied by a responsible adult*



WORKSHOPS AND DROP-IN ACTIVITIES



Saturday 28 January, 10am - 4.00 pm
FREE

Broxtowe Borough Council in partnership with the Beeston Bid and Bartons, welcome you to a vibrant celebration for Chinese New Year featuring entertainment from Chinese, Japanese and Tibetan cultures – including some old favourites and new surprises! We are particularly pleased to welcome Beijing trained dance artist Fan Mang Mang as we launch a year of events that celebrate the link from the Beijing to the London Olympics.

BEESTON CHINESE LANTERN TRAIL, 10AM - 3.30PM

Follow the lantern trail throughout the town and visit all businesses displaying lanterns in their window. If you collect enough stamps, you can claim your free gift at the Chinese Cultural Event at Bartons from 12noon until 3.30pm. Collect your lantern trail instructions and map from Beeston Square during the morning event between 10am and 1.00pm.

BEESTON SQUARE, 10AM - 1.00PM

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| 10.00 | Meet the giant Chinese God of Good Fortune Choi Sun |
| 10.15 | Traditional Lion Dance with the Notts and Derby 7 Star Praying Mantis Kung Fu School |
| 10.30 | The Mayor of Broxtowe, Councillor Jacky Williams, will open proceedings |
| 10.35 | Red Lantern Dance by Du Dan |
| 10.40 | Chinese Dance inspired performance by Push |
| 10.50 | Chinese New Year family procession from Broadgate Park, led by an elegant Geisha |
| 10.50 | Kung Fu demonstration by the Notts and Derby 7 Star Praying Mantis School. |
| 11.10 | Chinese New Year family procession in Beeson Square. |
| 11.15 | School dance performance by pupils from Rylands Junior School |
| 11.30 | Dragon Dance by the Chinese Student and Scholars Association |
| 11.45 | Chinese Community Association Choir and Tai Chi Fan Dance |
| 12.10 | Diablo Performance by Fan Mang Mang |
| 12.20 | Tibetan Dance by Du Dan |
| 12.30 | Marshall arts demonstration by Chilwell Olympia Karate School led by Pasqualino Mura to celebrate the link between the Beijing and London Olympics 2012. |
| 12.50 | Traditional Chinese Sword Dance with Fan Mang Mang |
| 1.00 | Beeston Square event ends |



CHINESE NEW YEAR CELEBRATIONS

**Saturday 28 January,
12 noon - 4.00pm**

CHINESE CULTURAL EVENT AT BARTONS 63 High Road, Chilwell, NG9 4AJ FREE

Broxtowe Borough Council in partnership with Beeston Bid and Bartons invite families and individuals to attend an afternoon of interactive workshops and performances including:



Workshops:

- Chinese Arts and Crafts with Jennifer Liao
- Chinese Brush Painting with Lijie Plant,
- Calligraphy with volunteers and staff from the Chinese School
- Traditional Chinese Paper Folding
- Dragon Mask workshop with Professor Popup's workshop team
- Introduction to the traditional Tea Ceremony and tasting opportunities with Jujie Li
- Join Du Dan for a gentle 30 minute Tai Chi workshop
- Share information about Chinese New Year and other Spring Festivals with volunteers from the community celebration group

Performances and Demonstrations

- Vintage puppets of the Beijing Opera (puppeteer Melvyn Rawlinson) gracefully express the Chinese Classical Music played by Ling Peng on Erhu (a demonstration specially devised for Broxtowe's 2012 Chinese New Year Celebrations)
- Bicycle Stories 'How the Chinese years Were Named' with Melvyn Rawlinson. Kamishibai is a traditional Japanese style of storytelling from the beginning of the last century when peddling sweet sellers enticed their young customers with promises of fantastic stories told with picture cards, from the back of their bike
- Ling Peng will tell the enchanting story of the Dragons Pearl... a traditional and haunting tale from Chinese culture
- Traditional Lion Dance by the Notts and Derby 7 Star Praying Mantis Kung Fu School
- Giant God of Good Fortune Choi Sun

Programme

12.30	Lion Dance in the TH Barton Hall
12.30	God of Good Fortune, Choi Sun
1.00	Beijing Puppets and Music in the Sports and Social Club
1.20	Bicycle Stories in the Sports and Social Club
1.30	Tai Chi workshop in TH Barton Hall
1.30	Elegant Geisha
2.00	Beijing Puppets and Music in the Sports and Social Club
2.20	The Story of the Dragons Pearl in the Sports and Social Club
2.30	God of Good Fortune, Choi Sun
2.40	Lion Dance in the TH Barton Hall
3.00	Beijing Puppets and Music in the Sports and Social Club
3.20	Bicycle Stories in the Sports and Social Club
3.30	Tai Chi workshop in TH Barton Hall
3.30	Elegant Geisha

Don't forget to....

- claim your prize if you have explored the Beeston Lantern Trail!
- buy your Chinese New year souvenirs for the Year of the Dragon at out our trinket stall
- enjoy hot drinks and Chinese Food on site

Booking is not required, but do arrive early to avoid disappointment as the venue has a limited capacity. All children (under 16) must be accompanied by an adult. For further information including disabled access, please contact the Broxtowe Arts and Events team
Tel: 0115 917 3695
Email: arts@broxtowe.gov.uk
Web: www.broxtowe.gov.uk

Bartons is a 5 minute walk from Beeston Square along Chilwell Road. There is an Indigo 5 Barton Bus Service which is available from the Beeston Bus Station every 7 minutes. £2 public parking is available on site at Bartons.



Saturday 28 January

**Arnot Hill Park, Arnold
Arnot Hill Park Bowls Pavilion and
Gedling Borough Council Civic Centre
FREE**

GEDLING BOROUGH COUNCIL AND GEDLING PLAY FORUM PRESENT CHINESE DRAGONS AND LANTERNS

A fabulous opportunity for Gedling families to hear traditional Chinese stories and a variety of Chinese inspired arts and crafts activities including lantern-making and dragon themed costumes.

11am - 1pm	Targeted session for SEN children and their families
2pm, 3pm, 4pm	Hourly workshop sessions in costume making and Storytelling Please note there is limited capacity and booking is required.
4.45pm	Traditional Lion Dance in the Civic Centre entrance hall.
5.15pm	Lantern parade around the lake

Places will be limited at all workshops.
To book a place or to find out more
call 0115 9013714
or visit www.gedling.gov.uk/leisure



**Sunday 29 January
Lakeside Arts Centre and
Highfields Park
FREE**

**10am - 12 noon,
Highfields Lake**

DRAGON BOAT TRAINING

Wrap up warmly and enjoy this unusual opportunity to see Notts Anaconda Dragon Boat team in training on Highfields Lake.

**1 - 5pm,
Angear Visitor Centre,
Lakeside Arts Centre**

MEET THE NOTTS ANACONDA DRAGON BOAT TEAM

Following their training session, there's an opportunity to meet members of the prize-winning Nottinghamshire Anaconda Dragon Boat Team in the Angear Visitor Centre together with one of their amazing 45 foot long Dragon Boats and find out about this terrific sport which has its roots in ancient China.



**1.30pm - 4.30pm,
Angear Visitor Centre,
Lakeside Arts Centre**

MAKE YOUR OWN DRAGON

A make and take crafts workshop for children and families; please note it may be necessary to wait to participate in this session at peak times.





**Sunday 29 January,
4.30pm - 6pm**

**Highfields Park next to D H
Lawrence Pavilion, Lakeside
Arts Centre**
FREE

YEAR OF THE DRAGON SPRING FESTIVAL CELEBRATIONS

FIREWORKS FINALE BY CRESCENDO FIREWORKS

Compere: BBC Radio
Nottingham's Richard Spurr.

Join our Year of the Dragon
Outdoor Celebrations involving
music and dance performed
by members of our visiting
international Chinese community
and local community, featuring
traditional Lion dance and
Dragon Dances, and including
the first ever performances
of several new works created
especially for young East
Midlands dancers by visiting
professional choreographer Rong
Tao from Chongqing.

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Performance programme from 4.30pm:

- Dragon Dance by the Chinese Students and Scholars Association
- Lion Dance by Notts and Derby 7 Star Praying Mantis Kung Fu School
- Premieres of new dance works by Dance4 CAT (Centre for Advanced Training) created by Rong Tao
- Rylands Junior School dance performance
- Fan Mang Mang traditional dance performance

- Nottingham Chinese School music and dance performance
- Images of China by Yuan-Hsiung Wang and Xue Qian accompanied by traditional Chinese music performed Zhang and Hulusi by Miss Siming Ma and Miss Beibei Yeli
- Charnwood Dance Company new work created by Rong Tao

Fireworks at 6pm

Fireworks Spectacular across the Lake at 6pm, created for Lakeside by Crescendo Fireworks.



REMEMBER TO WRAP UP
WARMLY, BECAUSE THE
WEATHER IN JANUARY CAN
BE VERY UNPREDICTABLE!

**Broxtowe Borough Council
Dance Residencies**

**FAN MANG MANG
DANCE RESIDENCY,
RYLANDS JUNIOR
SCHOOL**

In the three weeks prior to the Chinese New Year events, dance artist Fan Mang Mang will be working with children from Rylands Junior School to create an original dance piece fusing traditional Chinese Folk Dance and contemporary practice. Pupils will present this new work at the Beeston Square event at 11.15am, Saturday 28 January and at the Lakeside finale on Sunday 29 January. Fan Mang Mang is a professional dancer, teacher and choreographer who studied traditional Chinese Dance at the Beijing Dance Academy. We are thrilled to

have her with us this year as we celebrate the link between the Beijing and London Olympics 2012.

PUSH RESIDENCY,
Push Dance Group are an innovative company of learning disabled adults from the Barncroft Day Centre who will be working with Chinese dance artist Du Dan throughout January to create a Chinese and contemporary dance fusion which will be showcased at the Beeston Chinese New Year event at 10.40am, Saturday 28 January at Beeston Square.

For more information contact the Broxtowe Arts and Events team:
Tel: 0115 917 3695
Email: arts@broxtowe.gov.uk
Web: www.broxtowe.gov.uk



BARTONS

Let's go
to Beeston www.lets.go.to.beeston.co.uk

**Friday 3 February, 7pm
Albert Hall, North Circus Street, Nottingham
Nottingham Confucius Institute (NCI), The School of Contemporary
Chinese Studies and Nottingham Chinese Students and Scholars
Association (CSSA) present**

**CHINESE NEW YEAR GALA 2012
FEATURING WEINAN TEACHERS'
UNIVERSITY ART TROUPE**

Tickets £7 (£5 concessions)
Running time: approximately 110 minutes
including interval

To celebrate the Year of the Dragon, The University of Nottingham students are joining Weinan University Art Troupe to present the Chinese New Year Gala 2012.

Twenty talented performers from Weinan in north western China will be here to show you the dazzling talents which have seen them win various awards at both provincial and national levels.

Performances include traditional and modern Chinese music, song and dance, Peking opera, Chinese martial arts, calligraphy, and musical instrument pieces. A magical performance promising fun for all the family!

TO BOOK: Telephone 0115 8467777



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