

温城中華文化中心

THE WINNIPEG CHINESE CULTURAL AND COMMUNITY CENTRE



ANNUAL REPORT

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(For presentation at the AGM, April 29, 2025)

Winnipeg is a city of many cultures of which the Chinese community has always been an integral and significant part. Over the last few decades, as the number of Chinese immigrants increased, so has the need for redeveloping Winnipeg's Chinatown. In 1981, the redevelopment became a reality with the support of the three levels of government through the Winnipeg Core Area Initiative and the Chinese community itself. The Winnipeg Chinatown Corporation was established in 1981, and in 1983 the Winnipeg Chinese Cultural and Community Centre (WCCCC) was incorporated as part the overall development project. In the last 40 years, the Centre has been promoting Chinese culture to the community, and acting as a community centre for residents in Chinatown and adjacent areas.

Under the leadership of the WCCCC, non-profit and affordable housing complexes are built/managed in Chinatown area, Plans are in place to build an affordable housing complex at the old Shanghai site.

OBJECTIVES

- -To promote and advance the awareness, knowledge and appreciation of the Chinese culture in relation to the multi-cultural mosaic of Winnipeg, Manitoba and Canada.
- -To enhance understanding between the various Chinese and other ethnic organizations in Manitoba.
- -To serve as a community centre and provide services to residents in Chinatown and adjacent areas
- -To provide facilities for sports, educational, cultural and other recreational purposes.

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The fiscal year of WCCCC runs from January 1 to December 31, 2024.

Our New Year has traditionally been celebrated on the first day of the year by gathering at the Gym of WCCCC for greetings, the cutting of the New Year cake, and cultural performances by volunteer groups, followed by tea and cake.

In February, the major function was the celebration of the Chinese New Year. Our banquet took place at Kum Koon Garden, with over 400 guests in attendance, including elected government officials from the three levels of governments, friends from the University and several bank institutions.

In March 2024, we had our WCCCC AGM wherein some new board members were elected. Accordingly, a new slate of executives was elected to manage the programs and financial affairs of WCCCC.

In May, a small gathering took place to celebrate Mother's Day with mothers of community families who had volunteered in functions of WCCCC during the year.

July 1st was a big day as we celebrated Canada Day at the Assiniboine Park. As it turned out that it was a day with heavy rain, the celebration was moved to the 2nd floor of The Leaf and had attracted a large number of politicians from all three levels of governments for drumming simultaneously with other cities from coast to coast. It was a tremendous success for our community, as most other groups' celebrations were impacted by heavy rain on Canada Day, whereas we had the advantage of having our celebration indoors.

August was the month we had our "Folklorama". We were the only Chinese pavilion for Folklorama in 2024 to showcase our Chinese culture in the City of Winnipeg.

September was the month for the "Night Market" in Winnipeg Chinatown. Attendance was overwhelming.

October is the month for "Thanksgiving". We held a small celebration with families in Chinatown.

In November, we collaborated with Fung Hua Family Association to offer an On-Site Free Vaccination Program, providing free Covid-19 and flu vaccines. More than 50 individuals benefited from the program.

In December 2024, we co-hosted a Christmas reception with WCDC to invite politicians from all three levels of governments.

I would be remised if I did not include the major renovation that took place at the Cultural Centre between January and April 2024. While most of the funds for this project came from the three levels of governments mostly from the Federal Government, we still suffered a shortfall that required the support of WCDC.

Respectfully Reported,

Hon. Philip Lee

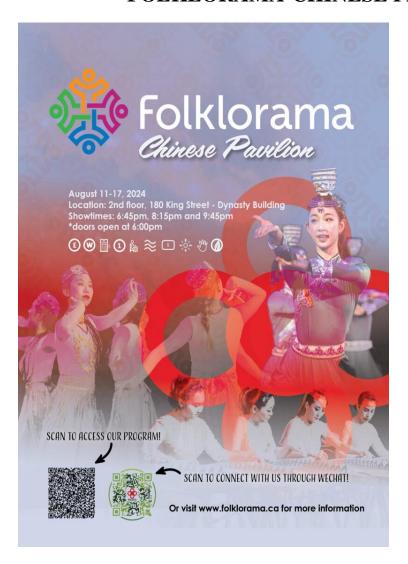
WINNIPEG CHINESE CULTURAL AND COMMUNITY CENTRE CANADA DAY DRUMMING CELEBRATION

加拿大国庆节击鼓庆典活动



2024年7月1日,温城中华文化中心作为温尼伯的唯一代表,参与了 Coast to Coast Drumming 加拿大国庆节击鼓庆典活动。活动将于7月1日下午12点到2点,在温尼伯植物园前广场(Assiniboine Park,The Leaf)举办。活动最令人期待的是所有参与者将在温尼伯时间下午1点整与全加拿大10余城市的参与者们共同鸣鼓6分钟,此外还将会有让人眼前一亮的舞狮表演、鼓乐表演和文艺表演! 所有到场的参与者都会有小礼品赠送哦~ On July 1, 2024, the Winnipeg Chinese Cultural and Community Centre participated as Winnipeg's sole representative in the Coast to Coast Drumming

WINNIPEG CHINESE CULTURAL AND COMMUNITY CENTRE FOLKLORAMA-CHINESE PAVILION 2024



The 2024 Folklorama-Chinese Pavilion was held at the WCCCC between August 11-17, 2024

Coordinators::

Hon Philip Lee

Ms Helen Wang

Ms Mia Wang

Mr. Raymond Wan

Ms Connie Leong

Committee Chairs:
Admission: Tim Tong
Culinary: Anita Lee
Beverage: Ben Liang
VIP:Manna Zhang

Guest service: Stella Choy Cultural Display: X.Y. Zhang

Calligraphy: Y. Wang

Ambassadors:

Danny Liao, Helen Wang (Adult)

Stella Heng, Xinning (Mary) Ma (Youth)

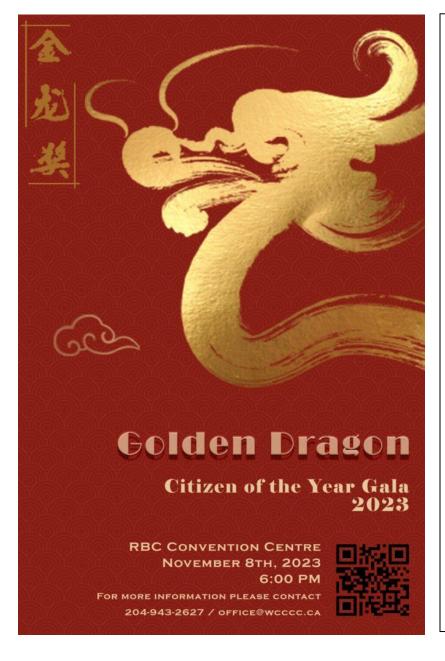
Performance of the Folklorama-Chinese Pavilion was carried out in collaboration with the GREAT WALL PERFORMING ARTS

2024/08/17 节目单:

- 蒙古舞《美酒敬亲人》 Mongolian Dance: Fine Wine for Our Loved ones
- 儿童舞蹈《新哇哈哈》 Children Dance: 'Happy Dance'
- 葫芦丝+独舞 《天边》 Hulusi & Dance: The Horizon
- 古筝 《库尔班节日印象》 Guzheng: Impressions of Kurban Festival
- 傣族舞《月色》Dai Dance: MoonLight
- 古典舞《青山赋》Ode to the Green Mountain
- 羌族舞《思念》Dance: Missing You

WINNIPEG CHINESE CULTURAL AND COMMUNITY CENTRE GOLDEN DRAGON GALA 2023

The Gala was held every other year to recognize individuals who made significant contribution to the community. The Gala also serves as a fund raising event for the Winnipeg Chinese Cultural and Community Centre. More than 500 people attended the 2023 Gala



The 2023 Gala was held at the Winnipeg Convention Centre on Nov 8, 2023

HONOREES:

Mr. Jim Gauthier Gauthier Auto Group

Mr. Jiaqiang Guo Oomomo Manitoba

Gala Chair:

Mr. Raymond Wan

Chinese New Year Banquet, Jan 29, 2025

The Winnipeg New Year Banquet was held as an indispensable feast for the whole city and an important spiritual and cultural feast for Winnipeg Chinese New Year. The banquet was sponsored by Winnipeg Chinatown Development Corp. and Chinese Benevolent Association, co-organized by Winnipeg Chinese Cultural and Community Centre.

The Mayor's Winnipeg Community Volunteer Service Awards were presented at the dinner. The recipients of this year's Award are:-

Mr. Allan Chan

Mr. Shanon Durre

Ms Miao Sun

2025年1月29日是中国传统的春节,每当到了这个迎春接福的美好时节,华人社区也迎来了他们最为热闹非凡的时刻。

由温城华埠发展商会与曼省中国慈善协会主办,温城中华文化中心协办的温尼伯新年欢庆晚宴,于 **2025** 年 **1** 月 **29** 日在**金冠酒楼**举办。作为每年必不可少的全城盛宴及温尼伯春节必不可少的一份精神文化大餐,各方各界知名人士于此共贺中国新春!

晚会亮点

- 各大电视台及报社的采访及文化宣传
- 加拿大邮政局将会在晚宴上首发并售卖中国纪念邮票
- 温尼伯市中心发展商在晚宴上揭幕中国城的特色生肖街旗
- 温尼伯市政府将为对华人社区有杰出贡献的杰出人士颁发社区 服务奖

WINNIPEG CHINESE CULTURAL AND COMMUNITY CENTRE OTHER EVENTS

Night Market- A successful two-day Night Market was held last September on streets surrounding the WCCCC. It attracted a lot of vendors, and attended by thousands, including key politicians.

On-Site Free Vaccination Program- In collaboration with Fung Hua Family Association, vaccination of Covid-19 vaccine and Flu vaccine were administered for free to the public at the WCCCC on November 9, 2024. More than 50 individuals benefitted from the vaccination program. 文化中心联合枫华之家,为您送上健康守护. 免预约免费. 流感疫苗和新冠疫苗 (Moderna). 不分身份,无论加拿大公民、移民、探亲访友、旅游、访问学者或留学生均可.

On Site Free Tax Clinic- In collaboration with the Canada Revenue Agency, an on-site free Tax clinic was held on March 23 and 30, 2025. 温城中华文化中心在 2025 年继续为大家提供社区服务——免费协助报税活动,帮助低收入人群、社会援助受益人、新移民、老年人和学生。此次活动由温城中华文化中心及加拿大税务局(CRA)协办,并由经验丰富的志愿者们协助。今年仍由税务经验丰富并多年参与中心报税活动的义工黄憶慈先 Ricky Wong),梁荣顯先生(Spencer Leung)和诸多有经验的义工帮助大家免费填写报税表。

WCCCC-MCYC Cooking and Crafts Workshop- A workshop was held on February 2, 2025 at the kitchen and recreation room of WCCCC. The program included making your own paper snakes and lanterns, and dumpling making.

WINNIPEG CHINESE CULTURAL AND COMMUNITY CENTRE OTHER EVENTS

On-Site Application for the Renewal of Chinese Passport and other Documents- The Chinese Consulate General in Toronto requested WCCCC and Fung Hua Family Association (at the U of M site) for assistance to provide Chinese citizens residing in Manitoba for Consular Service including application for Chinese Passport renewal on April 12, 2025. About 70 applications were dealt with at the WCCCC site, and on April 13, another 30 were dealt with at the U of Manitoba site.

中国驻多伦多总领馆赴曼尼托巴省现场受理领事证件申请.

为更好服务领区内中国公民,便利侨胞申办领事证件,驻多伦多总领馆于2025年4月12日至13日在曼尼托巴省温尼伯市开展领事证件现场办公,受理护照、旅行证、公证和养老金资格审核申请。

The WCCCC Dragon Dance Group



The WCCCC Dragon Dance Group was formed in 2024 under the direction of Tim Tong and Michael Lai. The Group is recruiting new members. Please contact Tim Tong, VP of WCCCC if you are interested to join the Group.

Audited Financial Statement, 2024

The Audited Financial Statement of 2024 has been prepared by the Exchange Group, Chartered Professional Accounts, 1-545 St. Mary's Road, Winnipeg, Manitoba R2M 3L5.

A draft copy will be available at the AGM for approval by the membership.

The official copy of the Audited Financial Statement, after approval by the membership, will be available by contacting the WCCCC office.