











# 2024 Downtown Akron Lunar New Year Celebration

Category: Event Calendar

#### Date and Time for this Past Event

**Sunday**, Feb 18, 2024

#### Location

Akron Civic Theatre 182 S Main St

#### VISIT WEBSITE

#### **Details**

#### **Get Reserve Seating Tickets to Attend the Celebration** HERE

Welcome the Year of the Dragon by enjoying great food from downtown restaurants, learning more about Lunar New Year, creating crafts, and attending a performance at the Akron Civic Theatre that features professional performers along with NIHF STEM Middle School Students and other community members. After the performance, enjoy a dazzling fireworks display right outside the theatre!

Tickets must be reserved to enjoy this event. Tickets are \$5 each plus fees if purchased online at AkronCivic.com. The Akron Civic Theatre is a no fee box office, and tickets can be purchased there Monday through Friday from 10 am to 4 pm. Follow Downtown Akron Partnership on Facebook or Instagram to find out when tickets are on sale.

- Venue Doors Open at 3:30 PM
- Culture Fair in Knight Stage space and Akron Civic Theatre lobby from 3:30 - 6:00 PM
- Performances Begin at 6:00 PM
- Fireworks Display at 8:00 PM

#### Food (light appetizers will be available for purchase)

Located on the 2nd Floor of the Civic (mezzanine):

- Cilantro Thai and Sushi
- Boiling House Akron
- Eccentric Panda cotton candy

#### Located on Main St.:

• Eccentric Panda Food Truck

#### **Performance Schedule**

#### ACT 1 begins at 6:00 PM

- Opening remarks
- Kwan Family Lion Dance
- NIHF STEM Middle School Dragon Dance
- Master Gao & Liting Fan Martial Arts with Guzheng
- NIHF STEM Middle School Umbrella Dance
- Ka'Ren Culture Dance Academy: Traditional Bamboo
- Dance
- Emily Su: True Love (dance)
- Master Gao: solo martial arts
- NIHF STEM Middle School Ribbon Dance
- "I Love Chinese Food" performed by Akron Chinese School
- Wu Tang Center for the Therapeutic Arts and Education: Baji Quan
- Cleveland Glory Waist Drum Team: Good Sign

# **INTERMISSION** at about 6:55 PM

# ACT 2 begins at about 7:15 PM

- STEM / Voris CLC / Akron Early College Campus: Student Chorus
- Wu Tang Center for the Therapeutic Arts and Education: Yin Fu Bagua Hurricane Blades
- Ka'Ren Culture Dance Academy: Ka'Ren Don **Traditional Dance**
- Master Gao & Aaron Wells: dual martial arts
- Cleveland Glory Waist Drum Team: Magnolia Dance • NIHF STEM Middle School: Taiji
- Stellar Acrobatic Dance Academy **Dragon Dancers Lead audience outside for Fireworks at**

# about 8:00 PM

# **Culture Fair Vendors and Organizations**

# **Located in the Knight Stage:**

- City of Akron HR Department • House Three Thirty
- National Museum of Psychology and Institute Galleries
- Akron METRO RTA
- Asian Services in Action ASIA • Akron Children's Museum

### Family Games **Located in the Civic Lobby**

• Photoplay Photobooth (free)

- NIHF STEM Table
- Zodiac Table
- Downtown Akron Partnership
- Artist Rae Faba meet & greet and poster signing

# Located on the 2nd floor (mezzanine)

- Northside Marketplace Pop-up Shop
- University of Akron Lunar New Year T-shirt giveaway (limited quantity)
- Boiling House Akron (food) • Cilantro Thai and Sushi (food)
- Eccentric Panda cotton candy

### Click here for a list of restaurants open on Sundays in downtown Akron, along with their hours. Want to read about last year's celebration? Read our recap.

What are you doing after the celebration?

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