

奥斯汀花好月圆艺术团
Austin Moonflower
Performing Arts Group



Lunar New Year Celebration
2024 春节晚会

February 10, 2024, 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Vandegriff High School Auditorium
9500 McNeil Dr, Austin, TX 78750



Austin Moonflower Performing Arts Group (AMPAG) was established in July 2016 by a group of talented and dedicated men and women. The name Moonflower, or "Hua Hao Yue Yuan" in Chinese, represents the group members' shared love of life, family, community and hope for a beautiful future for the world. Our members are full-time working professionals from the Greater Austin area and present memorable performances in various showcases and events to share their passion. Through our hard work, we have been contributing to the multi-cultural community events and promoting the appreciation of Chinese culture through performing arts. Our group has a choir team, dance team, drum team, Qipao fashion team, Chinese Comedy team, etc.

Austin Moonflower Performing Arts Group is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization.

花好月圆艺术团是由奥斯汀一群志趣相投，开朗活泼，热心奉献，爱唱歌跳舞的华人组成的一支表演艺术团，成立于2016年7月，以“花好月圆”为团名。“花长好，人长健，月长圆”，代表了团员们不忘初心，团结友爱，共享美好生活的愿景。团员是在各行各业工作的专业人士。团员们发挥各自的艺术特长，学习及表演中国舞蹈和歌曲，为丰富华人文化生活弘扬中国文化做出贡献。我们有合唱团、舞蹈团、腰鼓队、旗袍社、曲艺社等。欢迎志同道合的朋友们加入。

Event Programs

MCs: Tonya Li, Hong Lin, George Baolin, Ron Zhang

1. **Opening band: Enraptured and No More Hesitation (眉飞色舞, 不再犹豫)**
– The Dropouts Band (singing: Tonya Li, Zhen Huang, Lao Mao; guitar: Mix Zhao, Zach Moore; keyboard: Chao Ji; drum: Larry Sanchez; keytar: Wendy; bass: Min Gui)
2. Kung Fu (武术) - Shaolin Temple Cultural Center
3. **Bass solo: Beautiful Night on Grassland (草原夜色美)** - George Baolin;
Piano: Tzu-Kuang Tan
4. **Dance: The Love Song of Kangding (康定情歌)** - Austin Moonflower Performing Arts Group
5. **Big Fish and Begonia (大鱼海棠)** - Jennifer Zhang

3rd prize drawing

6. **Guitar playing and singing: As Wished (如愿)** – Lao Mao
7. **Dance: Radiance (女中豪杰)** - The Love of China School of Dance
8. **Piano Solo: Selection of the Yellow River Piano Concerto (黄河协奏曲选段)** - Tzu-Kuang Tan
9. **Taichi demonstration (太极拳表演)** - Aiping Taichi Center
10. **Soprano Solo (一杯美酒)** - Jinni Shen, Piano: Tzu-Kuang Tan

2nd prize drawing

11. **Choir: Abundance in Love (这世界那么多人)** - Austin Moonflower Performing Arts Group, conductor: George Baolin, piano: Imy Gao
12. **Dance Solo: Fission (裂变)** - Jun Shen
13. **Dance: Colorful Catkins Flying (彩絮飞扬)** - The Love of China School of Dance
14. **Solo: The Gaze of Hometown (故乡的目光)** - Eric Zhao
15. **Duet Dance: Lotus Whisper (入莲间)** - Austin Moonflower Performing Arts Group, dancer: Xiang Liao, Xiaohan Sun

1st prize drawing

16. **Dragon Dance: Pride of The Dragon (抬龙王)** - Austin Moonflower Performing Arts Group, Drum lead: Daiyu Cao

MC closing and Curtain call

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Director: Gwen Zhao

Event Performers

Dance: The Love Song of Kangding (康定情歌) – Jing Cheng, Huiqin Cui, Zhaohua Fang, Lily Jia, Hong Lin, Hannah Sun, Anna Tao, Xiaoli Wu, Jane Zhao, Jie Zhou

Duet Dance: Lotus Whisper (入莲间) – Xiang Liao, Hannah Sun

Dragon Dance: Pride of The Dragon (新抬龙王) –

Dance team: Jing Cheng, Huiqin Cui, Zhaohua Fang, Hannah Sun, Anna Tao, Xiaoli Wu, Jane Zhao, Jie Zhou

Drum team: Daiye Cao, Jiaxu Duan, Hong Lin, Yong Zhao

Dragon team: Tom Jia, Jennifer Weitz

Choir: Abundance in Love (这世界那么多人) –

Conductor: George Baolin

Piano: Imy Gao

Singer: Sherry Chen, Huiqin Cui, Julia Duan, Allen Hu, Jing Huang, Hong Li, Tonya Li, Weihua Li, Jing Liu, Xiaolan Liu, Daqing Lu, Dalu Wang, Zuoxin Wang, Ronnie Xue, Jenny Yan, Janet Zhang, Gwen Zhao, Yong Zhao, Yuliang Zheng, Jie Zhou

Stage Crew

Doris Lee (**Manager**), Gwen Zhao (co-manager), Gong Chen, Jiaxu Duan, Xiaolin Huang, Andy Jiang, Jing Huang, Thomas Lee, Tonya Li, Hong Lin, Lao Mao, John Tao, Rui Yang, Baolin Jiayi, Ling Yuan, Ron Zhang

Other volunteers

Sisi Fu, Allen Hu, Huaiyin Li, Jinhua Li, Ranglin Lu, Yvone Lu, Dalu Wang, Xiaoli Wu, Jenny Yang, Kelly Yuan, Yong Zhao, Weining Zhao, Yuliang Zheng, Jie Zhou, Katherine Zhu

Event Guest Performers

In order of appearance

The Dropouts Band is a multicultural and multilingual modern band. They are mainly Chinese immigrants and cover mainly Chinese songs. But we also cover popular English, Japanese and Spanish songs.

淘汰生乐队是一个多民族多文化多语言的现代乐队。我们成员以华人为主，主要唱华语歌曲。但是也会演唱经典的英文，日文和西班牙语歌曲。

Shaolin Temple Cultural Center – The Center teaches traditional Shaolin Kungfu, contemporary Wu Shu and Tai Chi for both children and adults. It is the only official Shaolin Kungfu Training Center authorized to teach Shaolin Kungfu on behalf of the Shaolin Temple in Henan, China. Its mission is to spread Shaolin Kungfu and culture by teaching the 1,500-year-old art of Kungfu.

Jiayi Baolin is a Doctoral of Musical Arts student in Opera Performance at the University of Texas at Austin under the tutelage of Leah Crocetto. Before that, he received the Professional Studies Certificate degree and the Master of Music degree at the Manhattan School of Music in New York. He has performed many leading roles in the Butler Opera Center including *Proving up* (Sodbuster), *Les Contes d'Hoffmann* (Coppelius), and *La Bohème* (Colline). In the spring of 2024, He will perform in *Tea: A Mirror of Souls* (Emperor), and *Queen of Spades* (Surin). Along with his work in the standard repertoire, Mr. Baolin has also performed many pieces as a soloist along with choir and chamber music groups in China and the United States.

Jennifer Zhang (張羽琪) is a Chinese American woodwind musician. Crowned as the 2015 Miss Friendship Ambassador of Chicago, she was granted the honor of representing Chicago in the 2015 Miss Chinese International Pageant in Hong Kong. In 2017, she won the Miss China International crown in Beijing. She graduated from Northwest University. Please welcome Jennifer Zhang.

张羽琪 Jennifer 是美国知名华裔青年音乐家、模特、演员、网络红人、制作人、投资人。张羽琪不仅擅长唱歌、弹钢琴、以及作词作曲,更会演奏十多种中国乐器,如竹笛、洞箫、排箫等。张羽琪共赢得 2015 芝加哥华裔亲善小姐冠军 2017 国际中国小姐冠军, 2020 璀璨星世界小姐皇冠大使全球总冠军冠军等 5 个大型选美比赛冠军。除此之外,她在音乐才艺方面获得了无数荣誉和 20 多个金奖,如 2021 年芝加哥音乐盛典最佳亚洲艺人奖。她曾为 250 多位国家首脑以及其他社会名人演奏音乐。张羽琪毕业于美国名校西北大学。

Lao Mao (老猫) is a musician of Korean ethnicity from the city of Panjing in Northeast China. He is a gentle, middle-aged father, but with the energy and wildness of a young man. He is not only a singer, a music composer, and an independent music producer, but also the founder of Evil Doll, a heavy-metal rock and roll band and the owner of the Lao Mao Studio.

老猫,一位温柔的中年爸爸和狂野的精神小伙,来自辽宁盘锦的朝鲜族歌手/乐手/独立音乐制作人,另类摇滚/金属乐队【Evil Doll】创办人,录音室【LaoMao Studio】馆长。

The Love of China School of Chinese Dance is well known in the Austin area and has performed at countless cultural events as well as its own recitals, always in front of packed theaters. Through their education in Chinese folk dance, the young people grow in determination and confidence, and are given a chance to connect deeply with their heritage, be part of unforgettable experiences, and gain pride for their culture.

Tzu-Kuang Tan is a Malaysian pianist. He was first inspired to play piano when he attended a local piano concert in his country. He then went on to play concerts in Singapore, Germany, Austria, and the United States. Aside from playing concerts he also has great interest in collaborating with musicians in recitals. He was also a rehearsal pianist for opera productions at the University of Michigan and University of Austin Texas. He was named the winner of the 2022 Marilyn Horne Song Competition in Santa Barbara.

Aiping Tai Chi Center – Austin was established in 2018. The school's lineage can be traced back to the founders of Tai Chi in China. With authentic and quality instructions, the school aims at helping members to improve their physical, emotional, and mental wellbeing through regular Tai Chi practice. The school's lead instructor, Shifu Fong, grew up in China

and has been practicing Tai Chi for over 20 years. For more information about the school and their classes, please visit their website at www.aipingtaichiaustin.com or email info@aipingtaichiaustin.com. Also be sure to follow them on social media for their latest updates.

Jinni Shen is a 27-year-old soprano from Nanjing, China. Miss Shen received her Bachelor's degree in the year of 2018 from China Conservatory of Music and her Master's Degree program in Voice Performance at The Mannes School of Music in the year of 2020. In 2021, Jinni Shen joined the Doctor of Music program in Opera Performance at The Butler School of Music at UT Austin. In the season of 2022 and 2023, Shen performed the role of Micaëla, "Ma" Zegner, Giulietta and Musetta in the Butler Opera Center's production of Carmen, Proving Up, Les Contes d'Hoffmann, and La Bohème. Her upcoming roles include the role Lisa in The Queen of Spades in Butler Opera Center's productions.

Jun Shen (沈钧) – Jun Shen earned his BS in dance at Beijing Capital Normal and MFA at UT-Austin. He has performed and choreographed at various dance festivals worldwide including Beijing Dance Festival, Grand Performances, Dance Salad, and Busan International Dance Festival. In 2016, he founded Shen Jun Movement Effect. He teaches modern dance at Austin Community College. He is also a principal dancer of Blue Lapis Light. He is also the Dance Director of AMPAG.

Eric Zhao (東方曉) – As a child prodigy singer, Eric Zhao started performing at age of four. He has won many singing awards and performed alongside numerous nationally and internationally renowned artists both in China and US. His versatile voice and performing style evince simplicity and sincerity as well as humor.

Dieyu Cao – Dieyu Cao is a graduate of the percussion program at Shanghai Music Conservatory and has fifteen years of performing and recording experience. She performed at major festivals including Strawberry Festival in Beijing and Shanghai, Clockenflap in Hong Kong, Worldtronic in Berlin, and SXSW. She teaches at ACES and plays with the Austin music band COSMS. She also teaches at Austin Moonflower Performing Arts Group.

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