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Asian Heritage Month Dundas Square Cultural Festival hosted by the Chinese Cultural Centre of Greater Toronto

28MAY2023, TORONTO — On Sunday, May 28, 2023 the Chinese Cultural Centre of Greater Toronto (CCC) is hosting a day-long celebration of Asian Heritage Month in association with the Chinese Multicultural Council (CMC)(Asians in Ontario) and the Government of Ontario's Ministry of Education at Toronto's iconic Dundas Square, located at Yonge Street and Dundas Street. The all-ages celebration will take place from 12 Noon to 6:00 PM and will feature performances, crafts, food tasting and activities from a wide range of Asian cultures.

Performances include:

Chinese dance, traditional Chinese dragon/lion dance, Japanese Taiko drumming, martial arts demonstrations, a showcase of Tamil instruments, Bollywood dancing, Korean dance and the Philippines' National Dance.

"This is a fantastic opportunity for all Ontarians to learn about and enjoy a wide range of Asian cultures, some of which many people know very little. We are proud to feature performances from the Lion Dance Academy of Ontario, Nagata Sachu, Wayland Li, Nathan Studio, the Canadian Chinese Orchestra, the Korean Dance Ensemble and Fiesta Filipina Dance Troupe", announces Mar Mar Cho, President of the CMC.

This event is a day-long celebration of Asian Heritage Month. May was designated as Asian Heritage Month by the Canadian Government in May 2002. According to the 2021 census, a total of 7,013, 835 people in Canada reported as having Asian origins, which represents 19.3% of the country's population. Asian Heritage Month is a time for all Canadians to learn about Asian culture and the contributions of Asian Canadians in Canada.







The Asian Heritage Month Dundas Square Cultural Festival is part of a project launched by the Government of Ontario's Ministry of Education, which includes an educational website (www.cccgt.org/asianheritage) — an educational portal of information, videos and activities for Ontario school children from Grades 1 to 12.



"We are delighted to host this Asian Heritage Month Festival which brings together all Asians in Ontario to celebrate each other's cultures and heritage while educating all Ontarians on the accomplishments and achievements of our communities over the last two centuries", states Alan Lam, Chairman of the Chinese Cultural Centre of Greater Toronto.

The festival is open to people of all ages and is free to participate.

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About the Chinese Cultural Centre of Greater Toronto

The Chinese Cultural Centre of Greater Toronto (CCC) is a vibrant multicultural hub in Canada with a more than three decades proud history in serving the diverse community. CCC takes pride in taking the leadership role in promoting and preserving Chinese culture and heritage in the context of Canadian society. To learn more, please visit www.cccgt.org

About the Chinese Multicultural Council (Asians in Ontario)

The Canadian Multicultural Council – Asians in Ontario (CMC) is a Toronto based non-profit, non-political umbrella organization of more than twenty Asian Canadian associations representing various Asian countries and cultures. To learn more, please visit https://cmc-ao.com/about-new/



