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2020
Year of
the RAT

Chinese
new year

24th January - 8th February 2020

OFFICIAL PROGRAM

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CAIRNS & DISTRICT
CHINESE ASSOCIATION INC.
凯恩斯华人会

"Connecting Ancient Cultures"

An original performance
by CADCAI lions and MINJIL indigenous dancers

PERFORMANCE SCHEDULE

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| Fri 24th Jan, 2020 | 715pm | Cairns Esplanade Plaza |
| Sun 26th Jan, 2020 | 10am | Western Events Lawn |
| Sat 1st Feb, 2020 | 6pm | Cairns Airport Chinese New Year Street Festival, Grafton St |



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WELCOME



A Message from President of Cairns & District Chinese Association Inc

Gong Xi Fa Cai

It is my absolute pleasure as President of CADCAI and on behalf of the Chinese community to welcome and invite you to join us in the 2020 Great Barrier Reef Chinese New Year Festival's "Year of the RAT" celebrations!

The Lunar New Year is a time of great joy excitement and enormous goodwill and the Year of the Rat 2020 signifies a strong, prosperous and lucky year, along with new beginnings and new opportunities. In Cairns, Chinese (Lunar) New Year celebrations are an eclectic mix of events for people of all ages and cultures and 2020's Year of the Rat will be one to be heralded. Celebrating this city's wonderful multicultural pedigree, the Great Barrier Reef Chinese New Year Festival is an opportunity for all of Cairns to celebrate this age-old culture. 2020 marks 144 years since Chinese settlement began in Cairns with the decline of the Palmer River Gold Rush in 1876. This Chinese presence has continued to grow in strength, as our community continues to share its rich history, culture and traditions with both locals and tourists alike.

We also commemorate 133 years since the opening of the Cairns Lit Sung Goong Temple during the Chinese New Year celebrations in January 1887. The temple was situated on the current Grafton Street, which is historically, Sach's Street, the location of a vibrant Chinatown from the 1880s until the mid 1940s.

A place my own maternal grandparents resided for a time in the late 1930's. The Great Barrier Reef Chinese New Year Festival is brought to you by our passionate Committee, a tireless team of volunteers and who with tremendous support from government, local council and businesses will bring to life the whole of Cairns during this important multicultural festival period.

So, welcome and immerse yourself in the delightful melding of heritage, culture and hospitality from January 24th to 8th February 2020.

Melanie Kingsley

President CADCAI

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FLIGHT TIME

Approx. 7 hours
and 30 minutes



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A Message from the Mayor of Cairns

It is my great pleasure to join with you to celebrate the Year of the Rat.

In Chinese culture, the rat is often seen as a sign of wealth and surplus, and those born under the sign of the Rat are known for their charming nature and spirited wit.

Each year, the Cairns community embraces the spirit of the Chinese New Year with vibrant and colourful celebrations, and this year is no different. A full program of events has been planned to celebrate the Chinese New Year for the enjoyment of both residents and visitors to our city. We offer a very warm Cairns welcome to our international guests who have travelled to celebrate this most festive of occasions in our city. We cherish the opportunity to share in their rich culture at this very special time and throughout the year ahead.

May the Year of the Rat be one of happiness, health and prosperity for all.

Cnr Bob Manning



Two Worlds

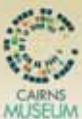
Chinese Australians in Cairns
from World War II to the 1960s

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PROGRAM OF EVENTS



Hayley Gillespie

Art Exhibition 12 Chinese Zodiacs

Date: Monday January 20 – February 10

Location: Lobby, Pullman Reef Hotel Casino



New Year Eve Celebration

Farewell the Pig and welcome in the Rat

Date: Friday 24th January

Location: Cairns Esplanade, Lagoon Plaza

Time: 5:30 – 7:30pm



6:00pm Danny Xiao Taichi (20 mins)

6:30pm Dotting of Junior lions and short junior lion performance (5mins)
Molihua dancers (5-10 mins)

6:45pm CADCAI DRAGON

7:00pm MUGENDAI Drummers

7:15pm CADCAI LION & MINJIL collaborative performance "Connecting Ancient Cultures"

7:30pm Firecrackers

The sights and sounds of Chinese New Year start here when we farewell the year of the Pig and welcome the Rat with a bang! Cultural performances by the CADCAI Chinese Dragon and Lion teams with an opportunity to feed the lion Hung Bao (Red Packet) for good luck and prosperity and firecrackers to ward off bad luck!!



Cairns Museum – Two Worlds, Chinese Australians in Cairns from World War II to the 1960's

Dates: Friday 24th January – March 28th

Times: Mon-Sat, 10am – 4pm.

Exhibition is free with Museum entry.



Chinese New Year Celebrations at Cairns Central

Location: Centre Court, Ground Floor, Cairns Central
Dates: Friday 24th January to 3rd February
Times: Times will run with the shopping centre hours
Visit www.cairnscentral.com.au for details.

Come to Cairns Central to take part in our Chinese New Year festivities. Our "Chinese Pioneers of Cairns" exhibition will showcase special CADCAI artifacts, information about the history and contribution that the early Chinese had in the city and region, plus miniature replicas of historic Chinatown created by local historian, Colin Walter. With a Lion Dancing performance, and special offers running throughout the festival period, Cairns Central is the place to come to bring in the Year of the Rat!



Paradise Palms

Chinese New Year Asian Street Food Festival

Date: Saturday 25th January
Time: 12pm – 4pm
Type: Asian street food festival.

Enjoy small plates of Asian food as you meander around the Paradise Palms venue. You can enjoy a drink in the bar that overlooks the gardens. Our pool & playground will be open all afternoon. Children to be supervised.



An original performance by CADCAI lions and MINJIL Indigenous Dancers

Date: Saturday 25th January
Location: Western Events Lawn
Time: 10am



Chinese New Year at Stockland Photo Booth Workshop

Date: Thursday 30th January
Location: Outside Lantern Lane
Time: 2:30pm to 6:30pm
Fee: Gold coin donation

Join us outside Lantern Lane for a special Chinese New Year photo booth! Take a photo in a lion cut out created by local artist, Hayley Gillespie, dress up in Chinese costumes, or pose next to a special CADCAI performance lion!



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CAIRNS AIRPORT GREAT BARRIER REEF Chinese new year



Date: Saturday 1st February Time: 4pm – 9pm

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FESTIVAL MAP



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FOOD STALLS

CADCAI Food Stall – Authentic Chinese food

Summer Ice Cream - Soft serve ice cream , milk shakes, thick shakes, cool drinks, water, hot dogs, coffee

THE DONUT SHACK - Hot loaded mini cinnamon donut stacks, soft drinks and water

So Hangry - Fried chicken, hot chips, and rice

Dumpling Studio - Steamed bun & boiled dumpling

Fruits of Paradise Tropical Sorbet - Sorbet made with 100% local fruit

The Samosa Hub - Samosa's and spring rolls

Bernie's Asian Treats - Yum Cha style products

Golden Boat Chinese Restaurant - Spring rolls, deep fried dim sim, sweet & sour pork, beef in black bean sauce

Tony's Pizza Cairns - Variety of pizzas including Chinese inspired flavours

Wonder Fair Amusement - Fairy floss and popcorn

Wonder Fair Amusement - Ice cream van

Totally Twisted Potato

Spoonies Fro-Yo - Chinese san choy bow, char sue flavoured pulled pork, frozen yoghurt (lychee & mandarin flavour)

Diana & Janet Kennedy - Organic designer juice made from locally sourced fruit

Providore Amore - Wood fired pizza and Italian cannoli

Sweet Tea- Taiwan bubble tea

Kakigori Dreams - Japanese-style shaved ice

Aus & Asian, Taste the Philippines - Satay chicken, fried dumplings, spring rolls, steam buns

CHU CHU CAKE - Taiwanese street dresses 'egg cakes' and Japanese taiyaki

Far North Buddhist Association Inc. - Papaya salad, sticky rice, pork satay, steam banana in sticky rice

MARKET STALLS

CADCAI – Merchandise and heritage information

Reene and Son Emporium - Children's toys and light up flashing spinning toys and novelties

Cairns Baptist Church Chinese Mission – Calligraphy and games

Cairns Dragon Boat Club Inc. - Invitations to 3 Free visits for come and try days

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Cairns Airport Chinese New Year Street Festival

Location: Grafton Street (Cairns Historic Chinatown)

Date: Saturday 1st February

Time: 4pm – 9pm

Fireworks: 9pm



Celebrate the welcoming of the Year of the Rat with the Chinese Community at the Cairns Airport Great Barrier Reef Chinese New Year Street Festival.

In true Chinese style the street festival will go off with a bang! The stage will be jam packed with Cultural entertainment, performances by the CADCAI Dragon and Lion teams including firecrackers, a huge variety of market stalls and street food, children's activities, the opportunity to interact with the traditional CADCAI Lions and learn more about their significance during this time... make sure you feed them a Hung Bao (Red Packet) this will bring you good luck for the year!!!

The Cairns Airport Great Barrier Reef Chinese New Year Street Festival celebrates Tropical North Queensland's diversity and rich Chinese heritage. It is a popular and much anticipated community event which brings new life and vibrancy into the city, enhancing the visitor experience for all.

FREE ENTRY | FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY



1st
FEB

An original performance by CADCAI lions and MINJIL Indigenous Dancers

Location: Cairns Airport Chinese New Year St Festival, Grafton St

Date: Saturday 1st February

Time: 6pm

2nd
FEB

Dumpling Making Workshop

Location: Outside Lantern Lane

Date: Sunday 2nd February

Time: 1pm

Join us Sunday 2nd February outside Lantern Lane, Stockland Cairns for free Dumpling Making Workshop! Learn to make your own delicious dumplings in this hands-on workshop. The team from Lantern Lane will guide you through the art of making your own dumplings in this interactive class. This is a super fun class where you will be able to go home and impress the family with your new and tasty skill!

Tickets are free, but there are limited spaces, so bookings are essential. Visit stockland.com.au/cairns for more event details.



2nd
FEB

Traditional Yum Cha

Location: Golden Boat, 34-40 Lake St

Date: Sunday 2nd February

Time: 2 sittings: 11am-12:30pm and 1pm-2:30pm

Tickets: \$38 per person

Bring the family to Golden Boat to enjoy some traditional Yum Cha. Enjoy the noise and activity of the Yum Cha trolleys coming by and select your food. CADCAI Lions to perform at both sittings.

Bookings at – www.cadcai.org.au

PROGRAM OF EVENTS cont.



Lantern Making Workshop

Location: Outside Lantern Lane
Date: Thursday 6th February
Time: 2:30pm to 6:30pm
Fee: Lanterns \$5 each
Stickers \$2/pack



Join us Thursday 6th February near Lantern Lane, Stockland Cairns for a Lantern Decorating Workshop! Decorate your very own Chinese New Year lantern in this fun-filled workshop.

The Lantern Festival is a special festival marking the end of the Chinese New Year celebration period. Lanterns are traditionally decorated with wishes for the new year. Markers and stickers will be available at the workshop to create your own design. Bring your decorated lantern to the Chinese Friendship Gardens on Friday 7th February, place a candle inside, and set your lantern afloat in Centenary Lakes! Festivities start at 5:30pm. *Workshop tickets are free, but there are limited spaces, so bookings are essential. Visit stockland.com.au/cairns for more event details.*



Lantern Festival brought to you by Stockland

Date: Friday 7th February
Location: Friendship Gardens
Greenslopes St, Edge Hill
Time: 5pm – 7:30pm



The Lantern Festival is a Chinese festival celebrated on the fifteenth day and marks the final day of the traditional Chinese New Year celebrations.

The Lantern Festival will see revellers join together to create a sea of wishing lanterns for an unforgettable spectacle. There will be Lion & Dragon performers and music. Write your new year wish on the lanterns provided, with your highest hopes, deepest regrets, and fondest dreams. this will be a visual spectacle as the sun goes down and the lake lights up.

Lanterns can be purchased on the night from the CADCAI Merchandise tent.



CADCAI Annual CNY Gala Banquet

Date: Saturday 8th February
Location: Café China, The Reef Hotel Casino
Time: 6.30pm
Bookings: janiewang888@gmail.com

Cairns & District Chinese Association Annual Chinese New Year Banquet.

Join the Chinese Community as they celebrate and welcome the New Lunar Year with a sumptuous 9 course traditional Chinese New Year Banquet. The annual gala event includes the Molihua Dancers, traditional Lion dancing and firecrackers to ward off the evil spirits and bring good fortune. Lots of prizes and raffle draws as well!



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May the Year of the Rat bring you health, prosperity and good fortune.

Happy Chinese New Year
from Grant Thornton Australia!

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