



Confucius Institute of the State of Washington

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**Celebrating
Chinese Culture in
Washington State**
year of the horse
2014

THE CONFUCIUS INSTITUTE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON

has produced this book of photographs to document two important milestones this year. It demonstrates our shared commitment with our partners in China to advancing Chinese language study and appreciation of Chinese culture through our programs.

This year, 2014, THE CONFUCIUS INSTITUTE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON participated in celebrations of both the 10th anniversary of Confucius Institutes worldwide and our own 4th anniversary. The latter took place at the University of Washington on April 26, 2014 and featured community dignitaries and supporters as well as presentation of the UW Chinese Bridge Competition awards for 2014.

Confucius Institute Day, on September 27, 2014, took place at our Confucius Institute Education Center at Chief Sealth International High School, where the entire community was invited to participate in Chinese arts, culture and language activities. It is our good fortune to have local performance troupes and arts educators right here in Seattle, who could bring their talent and energy to this Chinese cultural celebration. Attendees had the opportunity to immerse themselves in the rich colorful traditions on this special day.



CIWA 4th Anniversary

Parrington Hall, adjacent to the World War II Medal of Honor Memorial on the campus of the University of Washington, provided the venue for the 4th anniversary of CIWA. Pictured here at the reception are all the directors: left to right Wang Wenqiu, Michele Anciaux Aoki, Karen Kodama (Founding Director from 2009-2014), Jeffrey Riedinger, and Deng Bo.

Confucius Institute of Portland State University Chinese Director Gao Mingqiang presented a crystal plaque to CIWA. He is pictured here with the two Chinese Directors from CIWA.





Jeffrey Riedinger, Vice Provost for Global Affairs at the UW and Director of CIWA, and Mark Wen, a CIWA Board Member, with top award winner, Emily Shea. Seattle School Board President, Sharon Peaselee, presented an award to another student.



Stephan Blanford, Seattle School Board Member and father of a 5th grader in Seattle's first Mandarin immersion program, spoke to the many supporters and participants attending the celebration.





Wonderful performances followed and delighted the audience.



Beacon Hill International School 5th grader, Delaney Blanford, spoke in Chinese with one of the award recipients. (above) Children sang and recited Cross-Talk (comic dialogue), which impressed and charmed the audience. (down)



All award winners with directors and dignitaries.



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Confucius Institute Day







GLOBAL CONFUCIUS INSTITUTE DAY celebrated the 10th Anniversary of Confucius Institutes worldwide. At Chief Sealth International High School, the day was filled with magic.





Teen volunteers and visitors rolled dough for dumplings and another participant displayed the shadow puppet she made.





Chinese Calligraphy and character drawing engaged young people and families.





Calligraphy art on display and the art of tea savored.







Fun and learning were everywhere throughout the hallways and classrooms of Chief Sealth International High School.





Striking performances by Franklin High School Chinese Lion Dancers, Seattle Chinese Girls Drill Team, Peking Opera with Master Cao, Zhao Ziying performing Guqin, & Kung Fu by North West Wushu Academy





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