

Chinese Opera Summer Camp Series for school students

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Starting July 26 the 2017 Chinese Opera Summer Camp Series offers young pupils a unique summer experience. By attending the camp, students will learn basic knowledge about Chinese operas and how operas are performed.

The summer camp organizers are inviting students from primary and secondary schools to join the camp, all free of charge.

The 2017 Chinese Opera Summer Camp Series is jointly organized by the Wuhan Municipal Bureau of Culture and the Changjiang Daily Press Group. This year, not only has the number of participants been expanded, but the variety of the operas as well. Three types of opera — Peking Opera, Han Opera, and Chu Opera — are all included for the first time.

The opening ceremony for the 2017 Chinese Opera Summer Camp Series started at the Wuhan Theater on July 26. In this year's Han Opera



A dressed-up young camper performing choreography movements of the Monkey King under guidance
Photo by Liu Hongyang

Summer Camp there will be a number of workshops that deal with things such as the production of operas and performance appreciation.

The young campers will experience the four basic forms of performance in Chinese opera: singing, acting, recitation and acrobatics. They

will also enjoy two classic opera highlights: *the Eight Immortals Cross the Sea* and *Yuefei's Mother Tattooing His Back*.

The Chu Opera Summer Camp and Peking Opera Summer Camp will begin on August 4 and August 25, respectively.

Exhibition of paintings from China, Poland and Russia



A touring exhibition featuring paintings of young painters from China, Poland, and Russia was launched at the Hubei Provincial Library on July 19. As part of Hubei's interchange series "Jing-Chu Culture on the Silk Road," the exhibition showcases over 160 pieces of paintings.

Selected from more than 1,600 pieces of paintings contributed by children from China, Poland, and Russia, the works on display are miniatures of the painters' distinctive cultural backgrounds. All of them are manuscripts. The highlight of the exhibition is a 10-meter scroll painting co-created by children from China and Poland.

The touring exhibition started in Moscow on May 22, and Kujawsko-Pomorskie, Poland on May 27. Wuhan is the third stop of the tour. The free exhibition will last for two weeks.

Exhibition of Twelve Artists' Buddha painting works



An exhibition of paintings of Buddhas kicked off at the Chushang Art Space, 101 Tanhualin Street on July 19. The exhibition presents 40 pieces of works from 12 artists: Dong Qing, Fang Jinghua, Han Fang, Liu Chunbing, Luo Jianhui, Ouyang Debiao, Ouyang Chaoying, Wu Wanlin, Yang Chengpin, Zhang Yang, Zhang Yizhou, and Zhou Qian. Included are oil paintings and ink paintings.

Each artist has fashioned their paintings in an attempt to convey their understanding of Buddhism and nature.

The exhibition will last until August 9 and is free to the public.

Exhibition of Zhang Lang's Works

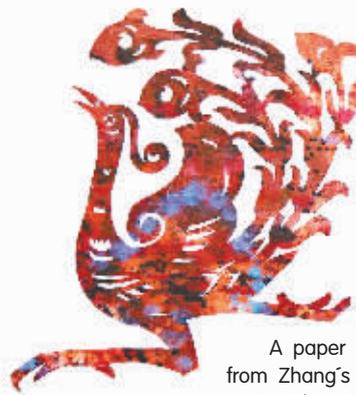
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As part of the 2017 Exhibition of Excellent Works of All China's Art Museums Initiative, "Beauty of the People—Exhibition of Mr. Zhang Lang's Works" at the Hubei Museum of Art opened on July 21 and will last until September 7.

Zhang is the representative figure of Hubei arts and crafts education and the pioneer of folk art research. His works

cover a wide range of creation. These include Chinese paper cutting, New Year paintings, decorative paintings, pattern design and others, featuring the rich cultures of Jing-Chu and the contemporary age.

In May 2017, Zhang donated a total of 800 pieces of his works to the Hubei Museum of Art, on which the exhibition was made possible.



A paper cut from Zhang's series *Phoenixes*