

THE KENNEDY CENTER

Lunar New Year Celebration

February 15–17, 2018

Join us to celebrate the YEAR OF THE DOG with three days of festivities, including special events showcasing the arts and culture of China's Chengdu Plain. The region is home to most of the world's giant pandas—including D.C.'s very own Bao Bao!



Art Group from Chengdu in Free Performances

On the Millennium Stage at 6 p.m. No tickets required.

Puppetry—Thursday, Feb. 15

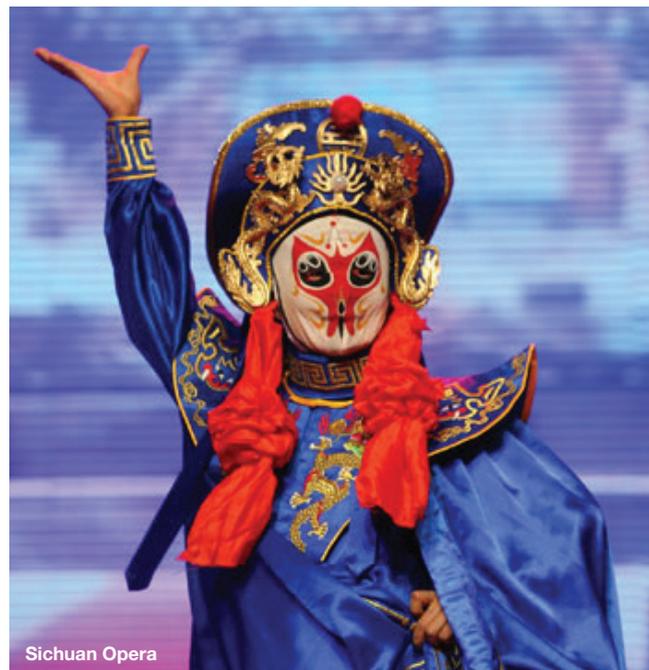
Characterized by beautiful sculpture, exquisite performance, and colorful music, Chengdu puppets sing, dance, and even perform acrobatics, showcasing a variety of genres from the region, including shadow puppetry and marionettes.

Traditional Music—Friday, Feb. 16

Experience the allure of Chengdu's traditional folk music, with its flowing stringed instruments and otherworldly bamboo flutes. World-class artists from the region guide your journey in a diverse musical program.

Sichuan Opera, Folk Dance, and Acrobatics—Saturday, Feb. 17

Witness Sichuan Opera's famed mask-changing technique, which reveals changes in a character's emotion in the blink of an eye. This sleight of hand, combined with stunning acrobatics and dance, will keep you on the edge of your seat.



Sichuan Opera

FREE Family Day: "Panda Chengdu"

Saturday, Feb. 17, 9 a.m.–3 p.m.
Center-wide—no tickets required!

All ages are welcome to this fun-filled day of activities and entertainment!

- Watch footage of Bao Bao (who recently moved to Chengdu from the National Zoo) and write a letter to her.
- Turn yourself into a panda or wear a traditional Chinese costume at our dress-up photo booth.
- Learn the arts of paper umbrella coloring, paper cutting, block printing, and Sichuan embroidery.
- Observe masters at work with calligraphy, sugar painting, bamboo weaving, and Chinese makeup.
- Surround yourself with performances in folk dancing, acrobatics, and shadow puppetry.
- Enjoy hands-on fun at our traditional Chinese instrument "petting zoo" and more.



Shenzhen Symphony Orchestra

Thursday, Feb. 15 at 8 p.m. | Concert Hall

Tan Dun, conductor

One of China's most internationally acclaimed orchestras performs a fascinating program led by world-renowned artist Tan Dun that includes two Stravinsky classics, *The Firebird Suite* and *Fireworks*, along with Guan Xia's *One Hundred Birds Flying Towards the Phoenix* and Dun's own *Triple Concerto for Piano, Violin and Violoncello: Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon*.

TICKETS FROM \$19 ON SALE NOW!
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Tan Dun

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