



YEAR OF THE DRAGON

CHINESE NEW YEAR EVENTS GUIDE

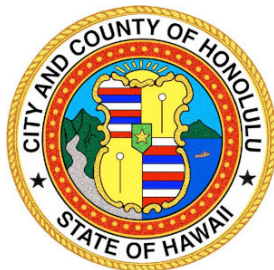


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CHINESE NEW YEAR CELEBRATIONS CALENDAR



Choy Cheng (Chinatown Open House)

Friday, February 2nd

Opening Ceremony @ Chinese Chamber

8 South King Street, 6PM

Chinese New Year Celebrations

Chinatown Cultural Plaza

100 North Beretania Street

Friday, February 2nd 5PM - 10PM

Saturday, February 3rd 10AM - 10PM

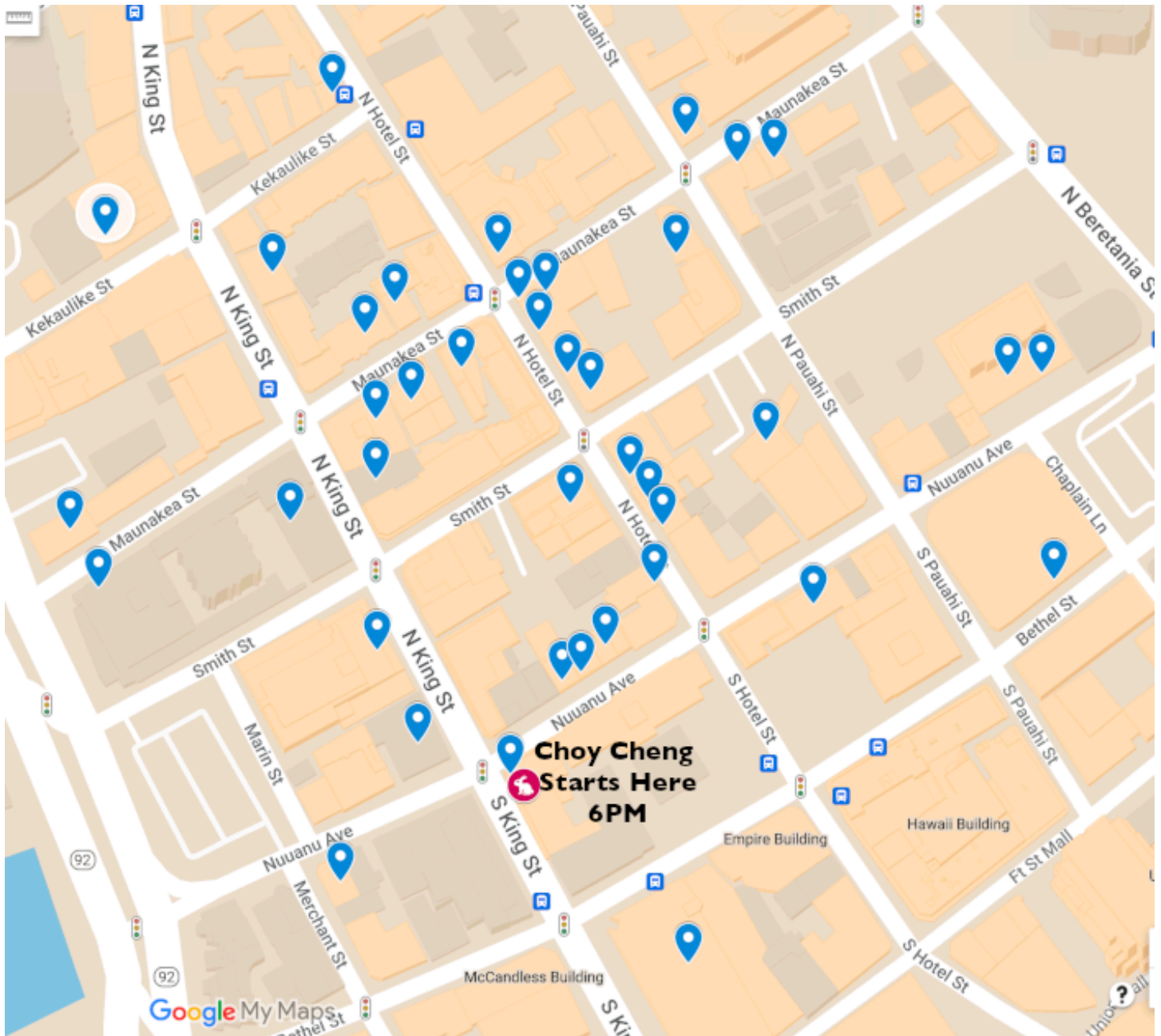
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CHOY CHENG MAP


Friday's Opening Ceremony at the Chinese Chamber features all Lion Dance Groups together for an incredible display you don't want to miss!

Afterward the groups head out to visit Businesses and Society Halls across Chinatown to bless them for the coming Year of the Dragon. Follow along & watch the show!




CHOY CHENG - WHERE THE LIONS WILL BE


 Chinese Chamber of Commer...

 Lum Yip Kee


 The Pig & The Lady

 WalMart

 Cindy's Lei Shop

 Guan Hua Company

 Rose Garden Creativity

 See Yup Benevolent Society

 Yee Yee Tong

 HomeStreet Bank

 Mei Sum Dim Sum Restaurant

 Tsung Tsin Association

 Olay's Thai Lao Cuisine


 Smith's Union Bar


 ACVCL & Sum's Beauty Center

 Lung Doo Benevolent Society

 Mendonca Building

 Tea At 1024

 Quartz and Thistle


 Hawaii Teo Chew Association

 Oahu Market Associates

 Tin Can Mailman


 McClains Ultimate Attic

 Hanks Café

 Murphy's Bar & Grill


 DDJ Hawaii


 Hawaii Asian Art Auction

 Skull-Face Books & Vinyl

 NextDoor

 Broken Glass

 Sing Cheong Yuan Bakery

 Domo Café

 Bo Wah Co.

 Single Double

 The Manifest

 Royal Arcade Bar

 Tea Hut & Chinese Art Gift

 Hawaii National Bank

 Lam's Kitchen

 Church of Scientology of Ha...

 Pho Vietnam



OUR CHOY CHENG LION DANCE CLUBS

Interested in joining a Lion Dance Club? Want a Blessing at your event?

(Links below are Live in Digital Version of Guide)



**Chinese Lion Dance
Association**
ChineseLionDanceAssociation.com



**Hawaii Lion Dance
Association**
HawaiiLionDance.com



**Lung Kong Physical
Culture Club**
[facebook.com/
LungKongHawaii/](https://facebook.com/LungKongHawaii/)



**Yeung Dak Physical
Culture Association**
YeungDak.com



**Sing Yung Dragon &
Lion Dance
Association**
SingYungHawaii.com



**Asian Lion Dance
Team**
[instagram.com/
asianliondanceteam/](https://instagram.com/asianliondanceteam/)



Gee Yung Association
GeeYung.com



**Wah Ngai Lion Dance
Association**
[instagram.com/
wahngailiondance/](https://instagram.com/wahngailiondance/)



**Chinese Physical
Culture Association**
[facebook.com/
chinesephysicalculture.a
ssn.7](https://facebook.com/chinesephysicalculture.assn.7)



CULTURAL PLAZA ENTERTAINMENT SCHEDULE



FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2ND

- 5:00 pm Opening Ceremonies**
- 6:30 pm Bandalan Doce Pare / Hawaii Defense Academy**
- 7:00 pm Frank DeLima & Na Kolohe**
- 7:30 pm Aloha Dance Group**
- 8:00 pm Kuo Min Tang Physical Culture Assn.**
- 9:00 pm Narcissus Court Appearance
 Wah Ngai Lion Dance Assn.**

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3RD

- 4:30 pm Chinese Tea Club**
- 5:30 pm Lin Shu Fang Dance Troupe**
- 6:00 pm Kong's Siu Lum Pai**
- 7:00 pm Chinese Lion Dance Assn.**
- 8:00 pm Narcissus Court Appearance
 Gee Yung Int'l Lion & Dragon Dance Assn.**
- 9:00 pm Fong Wen Dance Group**

VISIT OUR VENDORS & BOOTHS AT CULTURAL PLAZA

VENDORS

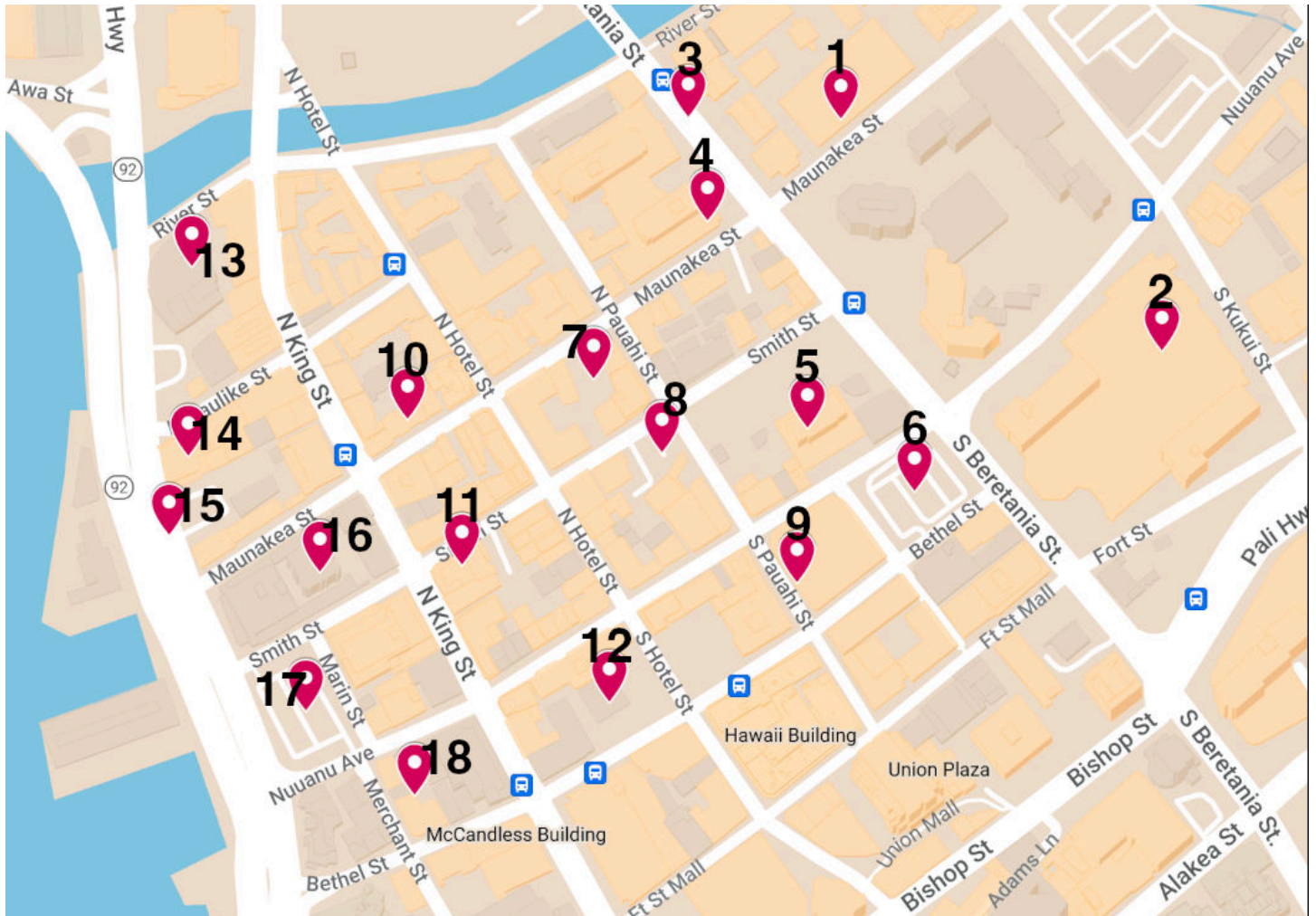
Keiki Activity Booth	HNH International	Grace Trading Inc.
Shao Calligrapher	The T-Shirt Outlet	Judy Shop
Yu Zhen Zhong	A1 Trading LLC	Kathy Shop
Hong Fa Corp	Ze Quan Yuang	Guan Yin Citta
Hannah Jo LLC	KeAloha Designs	Uniquely Mine

FOOD BOOTHS

Hott Potstickers	Tiger Sugar Milk Tea
HK Cafe	Happy Wahine
Hawaiian Honey Cones	Grand Kona Coffee
Legend Seafood Restaurant	Bing Bros Chinese Food
Olay's Thai Food Express	Youpo Noodles HI
Sama Sama	Copper Wok Jai
Blue Truck Teppanyaki	Street Sweets

CHINATOWN PARKING

* See Downtown Parking Master List: <https://tinyurl.com/cny-parking>



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|---|--|
| 1 Chinatown Cultural Plaza / 1250
<i>Maunakea St</i> | 10 Kekaulike Courtyard / 1016 Maunakea |
| 2 Kukui Plaza / 1255 Nuuanu Ave | 11 Diamond Parking / 1021 Smith St |
| 3 Pauahi Hale / 155 N Beretania St | 12 Chinatown Gateway / 1031 Nuuanu Ave |
| 4 Diamond Parking / 1188 Maunakea | 13 Harbor Village / 901 River St |
| 5 Underground Municipal Lot / Entrance
<i>on Beretania, just after Nuuanu Ave</i> | 14 Chinatown Mkt Place / 132 Nimitz Hwy |
| 6 Beretania-Nuuanu Pkg / 1171 Nuuanu | 15 120 Nimitz Hwy |
| 7 Diamond Parking / 1131 Maunakea St | 16 Marin Tower / 60 Nimitz Hwy |
| 8 Diamond Parking / 1133 Smith St | 17 Diamond Parking / 888 Nuuanu Ave |
| 9 Mark's Garage / 22 S Pauahi St | 18 Harbor Court / 22 Merchant St |

CHINESE LION DANCE

A Brief Guide to Understanding & Enjoying It More!

There are a variety of Lion Dance styles – differing in costume, rituals & how the ‘dance’ is performed – that developed in different areas of China & Asia. Even some Counties in China have their own distinctive style.

What you see in Hawaii, and most places outside China, falls under the overall Southern Style, due to the mass migration of Chinese in the 1800s & 1900s coming from that region.

THE MEANING OF THE LION COLORS

A Lion’s color isn’t just for show. It starts with the most commonly seen colors. Gold usually means an Energetic personality, while Red represents Courage and Green stands for Friendship.

A Lion’s color can also reveal it’s age or place in the family hierarchy. A Lion with white fur is the eldest. Gold or Yellow fur is the Middle Child and Black fur for the Youngest.

There are also Lions who represent famous characters from the *Romance of the Three Kingdoms*, each with a trademark color scheme to distinguish them.

‘Liu Bei’, for instance, has a yellow face and a white beard, signifying wisdom. He will also have 3 gold coins on the back of his head and a tail with 5 colors that stand for the 5 Elements he could control due to having the Blessing of Heaven.

His 2 blood brothers, Guan Yu and Zhang Fei, each have their own unique livery and personalities as well.

ANATOMY OF THE LION

EYES

The eyes are always extremely large so the Lion can find the evil spirits, which it chases away for the coming year.

HORN

The horn is used to attack and fight off the evil spirits.

MIRROR

The Mirror reflects the evil spirits, who vanish after seeing their own frightening reflection.

RIBBON

A ribbon around the Lion's horn indicates it is Awake. The sleeping Lions have no ribbon and cannot be used.

The ribbon color also can tell you the Lion's gender, Red for female and Green for male.

MOUTH

The mouth of the lion consumes money as well as other offerings, such as lettuce or bok choy.

THE DANCE - WHAT TO KNOW

The drumming is very important, embodying the Lion's heartbeat. The BPM will tell you when the action is heating up or slowing down. You'll even hear distinctive drumming patterns for certain moves & actions by the Lion.

The dance will start with the Lions doing 3 Bows for Heaven, Earth & Man. In addition, they may also bow to an honored guest present as well. The 3 Bows are then repeated to close the dance.

The firecrackers are another weapon in the Dance, set off to scare the evil spirits who don't frighten so easily.

You might also see the hanging green lettuce, or other vegetable, in the doorway, waiting to be devoured.

The Lion eats the lettuce, then spits it out in order to spread the blessings of prosperity in the year ahead.

Why lettuce? The Chinese word for it, in both Cantonese (saang choi) and Mandarin (sheng cai), sounds very similar to the word for Wealth.

ABOUT THE CHINESE CHAMBER

The Chinese Chamber was formed in 1911, best known today for:

- **Our Chinatown Rejuvenation Efforts**, such as Clean Ups, a new Chinatown Tour, Business Promotion/Support & Regular Meetings with the City to increase policing and programs to improve our beloved district.
- **Narcissus Festival**, which includes Chinese New Year Events, the Narcissus Queen Pageant, Coronation Ball and Annual Tour of China.
- **Maintaining Relations with both the People's Republic of China and Taiwan** to foster friendship and commerce

We also do a lot more, like

- **Regular Networking Events and Business Seminars**
- **Networking with the fellow Members of the Quad Chambers** (Filipino, Korean, Japanese & Chinese Chambers)
- **Giving our members opportunities to be involved** in our different Committees (Chinatown, Membership, Narcissus) to build connections and friendships
- **Young Professionals Group** for those under 35 years old, with their own activities and opportunities

Be a Part of the Chamber!

Visit us at ChineseChamber.com or call (808) 533-3181 to learn how to join and get involved. We'd love to talk with you!