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LUNAR NEW YEAR NEW TAIPEI CITY

Cover Story



2024 New Taipei City Cultural Spring Festival – A Prosperous Year of the Dragon

In the auspicious Year of the Dragon, the New Taipei City government will present the "Cultural Spring Festival" during the Chinese New Year. The museums and cultural venues in the New Taipei City Museum Group will remain open throughout the Lunar New Year holiday. This year, the New Taipei City Government's Cultural Affairs Bureau has organized events under the theme "Gather, Create, and Design a Prosperous New Year Together." Three major spring activities are planned:

Lucky and Auspicious "Dragon" Collection

Renowned designers have been invited to create limited-edition exquisite red envelopes and cultural creative gifts featuring elements of the Dragon. Participants can obtain these items by attending designated activities at the museums in early February. Due to limited quantities, these items will be given away and not sold.

"Dragons Together" Spring Bus Tour

The Cultural Affairs Bureau encourages

citizens to explore various cultural venues during the spring season. A special "Dragons Together" spring bus tour combines popular photo booths with a tour bus. People can capture moments of joy with family and friends using photo booths stationed at each venue. Exclusive frames and props are provided at each location, symbolizing a year filled with good fortune.

Seasonal Activities at Cultural Venues

Starting before the Lunar New Year, each museum has arranged a series of festive activities, performances, DIY workshops, and limited-edition New Year gifts for visitors.

–The Tamsui Historic Museum offers a cute stamp-carving and New Year's decoration activity on Jan. 27 and Jan. 28, allowing visitors to create their own Spring Festival couplets.

–The Gold Museum has invited a calligraphy master to write auspicious phrases on Feb. 3 at 1:30 p.m. Visitors can receive a free copy and

enjoy activities with red New Year's decorations and Dragon-year stamps.

–The Thirteen Levels Heritage Museum will hold three daily DIY activities from Feb. 11 to Feb. 14, where participants can create joyous silk-printed auspicious paintings.

–The 435 Art Zone in Banqiao welcomes visitors to experience DIY activities offered by resident artists, design studios, and performance groups during the Chinese New Year.

–The Yingge Ceramics Museum will host various activities, including demonstrations of dragon vase painting, workshops for creating fire-spewing dragons, and painting dragon-themed ceramic plates starting from Feb. 12.

Other venues such as the Lin Ben Yuan Family Mansion, Pinglin Tea Industry Museum, and Fu Zhong 15 also offer unique DIY experiences, performances, and festive events during the Spring Festival.

In addition to these cultural activities, the New Taipei City Library and its branches will offer rewards for readers, including a "New Year Lucky Bag" for the first reader completing a book transaction on Feb. 14. Readers at the main library from Feb. 14 to Feb. 17 can write



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- 🕒 01/27-02/24
- 📍 New Taipei City's various museums and cultural venues
- ☎ 02-2960-3456#4493
- 🌐 www.culture.ntpc.gov.tw



auspicious dragon-related phrases on social media or borrow five books in exchange for small gifts.

Various museums also will also hold street performances, magic shows, circus acts, music performances, and more throughout the Lunar New Year holiday, providing diverse entertainment options for residents and visitors alike.

Editor's Choice



The 9th Joint Exhibition of Artists from Eight Counties and Cities of Northern Taiwan – Infinite Perspective

The "9th Joint Exhibition of Artists from Eight Counties and Cities of Northern Taiwan – Infinite Perspective" is currently being showcased consecutively across the eight counties and cities in Northern Taiwan until August 14, 2024. Bringing together 16 artists, this exhibition focuses on everyday scenes visible in public life, exploring six major themes: "People," "People and Animals," "Animals," "Environment," "People and Environment," and "Concrete Manifestation of Emotions." The exhibition showcases the diverse and boundless artistic perspectives of artists from various counties and cities, guiding viewers to perceive the artists' interpretations of the external world from multiple angles.

Moreover, the joint exhibition defines the exhibition space as a platform for communication, organizing a series of art salon forums for participants, artists, and curators to engage in a three-way dialogue. On Sunday, January 14, from 10:30 to 11:30, the "Infinite Perspective" Northern Taiwan Eight Joint Exhibition - Art Salon Forum II "Pursuit of the Return to Self-Perception Outline" will be held at the New Taipei City Arts Center. Through salon-style discussions, it aims to explore the relationships between individuals and objects. The exhibition in New Taipei City will continue until January 17, with the next stop scheduled in Taoyuan City.



- 🕒 From Now Until 01/17
- 📍 New Taipei City Arts Center
- ☎ 02-2253-4417#122
- 🌐 www.artcenter.ntpc.gov.tw



Transforming Earth into Water – Ceramic and Hydroenvironment Special Exhibition

Water is one of the most crucial resources on Earth. The New Taipei City Yingge Ceramics Museum has organized this exhibition with the theme "Transforming Earth into Water," showcasing unique works by internationally acclaimed ceramic artists from Taiwan, the United Kingdom, Italy, New Zealand, Japan, South Korea, and more. These artists demonstrate their insightful perspectives and reflections on the connection between clay and water. While at standard atmospheric pressure, ceramics are often fired at temperatures exceeding 1000 degrees Celsius, this exhibition revolves around the theme of water, with its boiling point of only 100 degrees Celsius. Through the medium of

ceramics, the artists creatively depict various aspects related to the hydroenvironment, expressing their personal environmental conservation philosophies. In recent years, the New Taipei City government has actively integrated urban governance with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Through this exhibition, the Yingge Ceramics Museum responds to these initiatives, aiming to raise awareness and promote a sense of protection for water resources. The exhibition strives to contribute wholeheartedly to the sustainable development of the Earth by fostering a greater understanding of and consciousness about water resources among the public.



- 🕒 From Now Until 01/21
- 📍 New Taipei City Yingge Ceramics Museum
- ☎ 02-8677-2727#831、832
- 🌐 www.ceramics.ntpc.gov.tw



New Taipei City Art Museum



- 🕒 10:00-17:00
- 🆓 Free
- ☎ 02-2679-6088
- 📍 No. 300, Guanqian Rd., Yingge Dist., New Taipei City
- 🚶 Walk along Wenhua Road from the Yingge Train Station to arrive at Guanqian Road, then go straight to proceed to your destination.

Gold Museum, New Taipei City Government



- 🕒 Mon-Fri 09:30-17:00, Sat&Sun 09:30-18:00 (Closed on the first Monday of each month, will be opened if the Monday is a National Holiday, and closed the next day)
- 💰 NTS\$80 ☎ 02-2496-2800
- 📍 No. 8, Jinguang Rd., Ruifang Dist., New Taipei City
- 🚶 Taipei-Jinguashi: Take bus route 1062 from Exit 2 of Zhongxiao Fuxing MRT Station to Jiufen and get off at Jinguashi (Gold Museum).

The Lin Family Mansion and Garden



- 🕒 09:00-17:00 (Closed on the first Monday of each month)
- 💰 NTS\$80
- ☎ 02-2965-3061#23
- 📍 No.9, Ximen Street, Banqiao Dist., New Taipei City
- 🚶 Take Banqiao Line (Blue Line) to Fuzhong MRT Station, and leave by Exit 1. The Garden is an 8-minute walk from the station.

New Taipei City Arts Center



- 🕒 09:00-17:00 (Closed on the first Monday of each month)
- 🆓 Free
- ☎ 02-2253-4417
- 📍 No. 62, Zhuangjing Rd., Banqiao Dist., New Taipei City
- 🚶 Take the MRT Bannan Line (Blue Line) and get off at Xinpu Station. Turn right after exiting from exit 4. Go across the street and walk straight until you reach Lane 182, Sec.2, Wenhua Road and then turn right. Continue walking for about 3 minutes before you arrive.

Shulin Arts Center



- 🕒 Performance Arts Hall opening hours: Ticket checking for hall entry starts 60 minutes before each performance. The audience will be allowed to enter and be seated 30 minutes before each performance.
- ☎ 02-2682-0035
- 📍 No. 40-8, Shuxin Rd., Shulin Dist., New Taipei City
- 🚶 Shulin Station (Front) Zhenqian Street Exit. Turn left and you will arrive after an 8-minute walk (the Center is next to the ShowTimes Movie Theater).

New Taipei City Yingge Ceramics Museum



- 🕒 09:30-17:00 (Closed on the first Monday of each month)
- 💰 NTS\$80
- ☎ 02-8677-2727
- 📍 No. 200, Wenhua Rd., Yingge Dist., New Taipei City
- 🚶 Take a commuter train to Yingge train station; the museum is a 10-minute walk from the Wenhua Rd. exit.

Tamsui Historical Museum, New Taipei City



- 🕒 Mon-Fri 09:30-17:00, Sat&Sun 09:30-18:00 (Closed on the first Monday of each month)
- 💰 NTS\$80
- ☎ 02-2623-1001
- 📍 No. 1, Ln. 28, Zhongzheng Rd., Tamsui Dist., New Taipei City
- 🚶 MRT Tamsui station is the terminal station of the MRT Red Line. Once you arrive, you can take buses R26 or 836 to Fort San Domingo.

Fuzhong 15



- 🕒 09:30-17:00 (Closed on the first Monday of each month)
- 🆓 Free
- ☎ 02-2968-3600 #211
- 📍 No 15, Fuzhong Road, Banqiao District, New Taipei City
- 🚶 Take MRT Line 5 to Fuzhong Station and exit via Exit No 2. The Gallery is located approximately 40 meters to the rear of the exit. Alternatively, exit the MRT station via Exit 1, turn right after exiting, cross the road and proceed straight ahead. Approximately 3 minutes walk to the Gallery.

Xinzhuan Cultural Arts Center



- 🕒 09:00-17:00 (Closed on the first Monday of each month)
- 🆓 Free
- ☎ 02-2276-0182#101
- 📍 No. 133, Zhongping Rd., Xinzhuan Dist., New Taipei City
- 🚶 Take the Nangang Exhibition Hall-Yongning line and get off at Xinpu Station. Then take bus No. 805 to Xintai Swimming Pool, or from MRT exit No. 5, take Blue No. 18 to Hsin Chuang High School.

New Taipei City Military Dependents' Village Cultural Park—Sanhong Air Force Military Kindred Village No. 1



- 🕒 10:00-22:00
- 🆓 Free
- ☎ 02-2976-8725
- 📍 Ln. 86, Zhengyi S. Rd., Sanhong Dist., New Taipei City
- 🚶 Take the MRT Orange Line to the "Taipei Bridge" station, and walk to Wenhua South Road → Fude South Road → Alley No 86, Zhengyi South Road.

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Zodiac Dragon Painting Exhibition at Yingge Ceramics Museum

From Now On

Tamsui Historical Miniature Museum

Shihshang Museum of Archaeology



- 🕒 09:30-17:00 (Closed on the first Monday of each month)
- 💰 NTS\$80 ☎ 02-2619-1313
- 📍 No. 200, Museum Rd., Bali Dist., New Taipei City
- 🚶 MRT → Guandu MRT Station Ferry → Shuttle Bus Red No. 13 to Shihshang Museum of Archaeology; or Tamsui MRT Station Ferry → Shuttle Bus Red No. 22 or Bus No. 704 to Bali Administrative Center (Shihshang Museum of Archaeology).

Pinglin Tea Museum of New Taipei City



- 🕒 Mon-Fri 09:00-17:00, Sat&Sun 09:00-17:30 (Closed on the first Monday of each month)
- 💰 NTS\$80 ☎ 02-2665-6035
- 📍 No.19-1, Shuisongqikeng, Pinglin Dist., New Taipei City
- 🚶 Take the MRT to Xindian Station. Transfer onto the Xindian Bus Service, and take 923 or Green 12 (G12). Get off at the stop for Pinglin Junior High School. The Museum is a 5-minute walk away.

Banqiao 435 Art Zone



- 🕒 Mon-Fri 09:00-17:00, Sat&Sun 09:00-18:00 (Closed on the first Monday of each month)
- 🆓 Free
- ☎ 02-2969-0366
- 📍 No. 435, Zhongzheng Rd., Banqiao Dist., New Taipei City
- 🚶 Take the MRT Blue Line and get off at Banqiao Station. Leave the station from Exit 2 and transfer to Bus No. 310, 307, 810, 857 or 786 and get off at "Banqiao Junior High School, Banqiao 435 Art Zone."

New Taipei City Yong 'An Arts Center



- 🕒 09:00-17:00 (Closed on the first Monday of each month)
- 🆓 Free
- ☎ 02-2929-8830
- 📍 2F., No. 390, Zhonghe Rd., Zhonghe Dist., New Taipei City
- 🚶 Take the MRT Orange Line and get off at Yangan Market Station.

New Taipei Gallery



- 🕒 09:00-17:00
- 🆓 Free ☎ 02-2950-6606
- 📍 3F, No. 166, Hansheng East Road, Banqiao District, New Taipei City
- 🚶 Take the MRT Bannan Line to the "Banqiao" station, and leave by Banqiao Railway Station East Exit, go straight to Xianmin Avenue and turn right at Hansheng East Road. Continue walking for about 7 minutes before you arrive.

From Now Until 01/07

Exhibition of Foreign Artifacts in Ancient Taiwan

From Now Until 12/08

Cabinet of Curious Containers