## Swing by Chinatown NYC for Lunar New Year

# 2016 Year of the Monkey



#### Jan 30

## Decoding the Year of the Monkey with Chinese Almanac

MOCA, 215 Centre Street, 2:30pm to 4pm

What does the Year of the Monkey hold in store? Coauthors of the Pocket Chinese Almanac return to decode the almanac's predictions for 2016 and share a range of New Year's traditions that bring positive energy into the household. Each participant will receive a free copy of the almanac.

#### Lunar New Year Celebration

Chinatown YMCA, 273 Bowery, 12pm to 4pm

Lion dance performance, tea tasting, tai chi, lantern making, zodiac sign readings, and children's arts and crafts. Tour the YMCA and learn about how to get healthy in the new year.

#### Feb 6

## Madison Street to Madison Avenue Parade 11am, 76th Street

Festival 1pm, 54th St & Madison Ave (SE Corner)

Chinatown Partnership, East Midtown Partnership, Madison Avenue Business Improvement District and SUNY's Confucius Institute for Business (CIB) come together to kick off "Madison Street to Madison Avenue," a Chinese Lunar New Year celebration taking place a week preceding the traditional Chinatown parade in Manhattan's Chinatown. Traditional Chinese lion dancers and dragons will make their way from Chinatown to the Upper East Side in a decorated double decker bus, arriving at Madison Avenue and East 76th street where special guests will make welcoming remarks and participate in a celebratory ribbon cutting. Dancers will then make their way to East Midtown, stopping at select retailers that are offering Lunar New Year promotions to commemorate the turn of the Chinese calendar. Retailers include Baccarat, Bally, CH Carolina Herrera, Chopard, Coach, Dennis Basso Emilio Pucci, Fendi, Michael Kors, Mulberry, NARS and more.

#### Feb 8 (First Day of the Lunar New Year)

Firecracker Ceremony & Cultural Festival
SDR Park, South side of Grand St (between Chrystie &
Forsyth St), 11am to 4pm

Over 500,000 firecrackers will be lit up to ring in the Year of the Monkey, followed by a cultural festival.

### CCBA Lunar New Year Performances

62 Mott Street, Basement, 12:30pm

Enjoy cultural performances by young students at the Chinese Consolidated Benevolent Association (CCBA), founded in 1883 to serve and protect the interests of the Chinese people in the New York metropolitan area.

#### Feb 14

#### Lunar New Year Parade & Festival

Begins at Canal/Mott Street and ends at SDR Park (Grand Street), 1pm

The largest Lunar New Year parade in New York City, line up early along the parade route to get a good view of lion and dragon dancers, performers, floats, elected officials and other notables.

#### Feb 17

NYC Comptroller Lunar New Year Celebration Surrogate's Courthouse, 31 Chambers Street, 6pm to 8pm

#### Feb 20

MOCAFAMILY: Lunar New Year Family Festival MOCA, 215 Centre Street, 11am to 4pm

Celebrate Chinese and Chinese American traditions and folk arts with zodiac themed arts & crafts, festive music and dance performances, teaching artist demonstrations, storytelling, and much more monkey business!

#### Feb 25

NYS Comptroller Lunar New Year Celebration PS 124, Yung Wing School, 40 Division Street, 6pm to 8pm



