

# Victoria Canada-China Friendship Association 维多利亚加中友好协会

#### January 2020

### Message from Our President

Dear Members,

Welcome to 2020.

Happy New Years to you all.

This past year was fabulous. We had some interesting speakers and topics. I look forward to some of our upcoming speakers.

I look forward to seeing you all at the upcoming Chinese New Year luncheon, on January 26, 2020.

I am looking forward to our AGM Sunday, March 22.

I hope that if any of you would like to come on the board we would welcome you. Our Association works with volunteers like you.

Thank you all for your participation in our dinners.

If you would like to see or hear future speakers or you have ideas for topics you would like to hear please let any one of the board know.

Thank you all,
Yours in friendship,
Carol Charlebois

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# Speaker at our October 2019 Dinner



On Sunday, October 27, Mr.
Roger Mah Poy gave an
enlightening talk about the
history of the naming of the
B.C. mountain "Ha Ling", after
a delicious buffet meal at the
Thai Green Elephant
Restaurant.

# Movie at our November 2019 Dinner

On Sunday, November 24, at Island Wok restaurant, we showed the movie, "The Farewell", an American comedydrama about a Chinese family, written and directed by Lulu Wang.



### **UPCOMING EVENT**

#### <u>Chinese New Year 2020</u> <u>Luncheon</u>

This year Chinese New Year occurs on Saturday, January 25th. The festival runs until February 8th, about 15 days in



total. 2020 is the Year of the Rat. According to Chinese superstition, one is to avoid laundry, crying children, using scissors and sweeping floors, as well as a host of other taboos, on January 25, or one will have bad luck for the whole year! But it isn't all doom and gloom: the rat symbolizes success, wealth, intelligence and wisdom to the Chinese.

This year the Victoria Canada China Friendship Association will celebrate the Year of the Rat with a luncheon on Sunday, January 26, at 1pm. at Sun Wah Restaurant, 1515 Cook Street.

The Menu:

Spring rolls and BBQ pork

Wor Won Ton soup

Salt & pepper squid

Pepper diced beef

Chef special sauce jumbo prawns

Four kinds of vegetables, stir fried

Sweet & sour pork with pineapple

Soya sauce chow mein with bean sprouts & onion

Fortune cookies & sliced oranges

This year we sold tickets ahead of time in order to avoid being charged for empty seats. Tickets were \$20.00 each, whether you were a member or non-member, adult or child. All of the tickets have been sold. There are members who would still like to purchase tickets. If there are any

cancellations, please contact Jennifer Calder at: jepcalder@gmail.com or Carol Charlebois at: charlebois721@gmail.com or phone 250-882-5820.

# February 2020 Dinner

Victoria artist Andy Lou will give us a presentation on <u>The Art of Chinese Brush Painting</u>, Sunday, February 16, at 7pm at Golden City Restaurant, 721 Fisgard Street.

Andy Shutse LOU, M.F.A. a renowned artist in Victoria, B.C. was born in China and educated in the United States. Andy adapts a variety of techniques and thoughts from the West, but emphasize his oriental originality. Employing Chinese brushes, rice paper and ink, mixing with watercolour, gouache and acrylic, Andy creates visual statements of the landscapes of North America. Vibrant colour plays an important role in his art. He blends the old and the new to forge a contrast between ink and colour, between the ancient traditions of Chinese painting and the rapidly-changing world of Western art. Andy's mixed media, crosscultural paintings have been exhibited and collected worldwide and he has received numerous awards. Andy is also the author of Shi Bai LOU's Art and the co-author of three books on Chinese Brush Painting.

清華大學美術學院《當代藝術創作》授課專家,雲南師範大學藝術學院客座教授,北京工商大學嘉華學院客座教授,哈爾濱廣廈學院客座教授,加拿大美術家協會會員,加拿大國際書畫藝術研究中心特聘研究員,美國德克薩斯州立大學美術碩士,中國著名國畫大師 婁師白先生之子。現在加拿大維多利亞大學,馬邱森國際藝術學院,阿爾伯達省紅鹿城學院主持現代中國繪畫課程。作品被世界各地美術館,大學,商業公司和收藏家廣泛收藏。曾獲美國國際交流總署外國藝術家基金,韓國現代美術人協會特選賞獎,北京國際藝術邀請展榮譽獎,溫哥華島美術作品年度展評審獎,2013年,2018年加拿大哥倫比亞省悉尼美術大展評審獎,入選北美華裔藝術家名人錄,獲世界華人傑出美術家證書,入選中國書畫報社《北美華人百家書畫集》。20世紀八十年代,協助父親婁師白寫作出版《齊白石繪畫藝術》,《齊白石繪畫技法研究》和《怎樣畫小鴨》等書。2017年由湖南美術出版社出版其著作《"突破藩籬已白頭"婁師白 談中國畫藝術創作。

Dinner will be served at 5:30pm at Golden City Restaurant. Andy Lou will present at 7pm.

The Menu:

Wonton Soup

Lettuce Wrap

Pork Chops with Beijing sauce

Mapo Tofu and Minced Pork

Crispy Ginger Fried Beef

Lemon Chicken

Stir Fried Gailan

Golden City Yangchow Fried Rice

Dessert

The dinner will be \$22 for members and \$30 for non-members. **Pre-payment will be required**. E-transfers will be accepted by Jennifer Calder at jepcalder@gmail.com or Carol Charlebois at charlebois721@gmail.com or phone 250-882-5820.

### March 2020 Dinner & AGM

The March meeting will be held Sunday, March 22, at Island Wok restaurant. The Annual General Meeting will begin at 5pm. It will be followed by a buffet dinner at 6pm and a speaker at 7pm. The speaker is yet to be determined.

# April 2020 Dinner

The April meeting will be held Sunday, April 19 at 5:30pm at Don Mee Restaurant, 538 Fisgard Street, The speaker is yet to be determined.

### Membership in the VCCFA

The membership fee of the VCCFA (Victoria Canada-China Friendship Association) is \$15/year for an individual or \$20/year for a family. A family consists of spouses and children (under 19). If you are interested, you can join at any of our events.

Typically we meet on the last Sunday evening of the month from January-June, then from September-November. Our members range from about 12 years of age to 90.

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