

**APPLICATIONS ARE DUE BY OCTOBER 30, 2012**

**NOTICE: ALL APPLICANTS MUST SUBMIT A \$100 NON-REFUNDABLE APPLICATION FEE,  
PAYABLE TO "CHINESE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE"**

**ALL MARCHING UNITS, EXCEPT FOR SCHOOL MARCHING BANDS, ARE LIMITED TO 50 PEOPLE**  
**30 second repeatable routine is suggested for all groups**

## Southwest Airlines Chinese New Year Festival and Parade The Year of the Snake

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| Chinese New Year Flower Market Fair            | Sat, Sun., February 2, 3, 2013  |
| Chinese New Year Day                           | Sun. February 10, 2013          |
| Miss Chinatown USA Pageant                     | Sat. February 16, 2013          |
| Chinese New Year Basketball Jamboree           | Sat, February 16, 2013          |
| Chinese Chamber of Commerce/Chinatown YMCA Run | Sun. February 17, 2013          |
| Miss Chinatown USA Coronation Ball             | Fri, February 22, 2013          |
| Chinese New Year Community Street Fair         | Sat, Sun, February 23, 24, 2013 |
| Southwest Airlines Chinese New Year Parade     | Sat, February 23, 2013          |

For information about festival events, call the Chinese Chamber of Commerce at 415 982-3000. Inquiries about the Chinese New Year Parade may be directed to 415 340-3055 or fax to 415 340-3056. For the Basketball Jamboree, call the Chinese Recreation Center at 415 292-2017, and for the Run/Walk, call the Chinatown YMCA at 415 576-9622. Visit our website [www.chineseparade.com](http://www.chineseparade.com) for more information and updates.

### 2013 SOUTHWEST AIRLINES CHINESE NEW YEAR PARADE PRELIMINARY DATA SHEET

*This is not an Invitation to Participate*

This is not an invitation to participate in the 2013 Southwest Airlines Chinese New Year Parade. This is an application for participation and is designed to provide the Parade Office with information about your group's proposed involvement in the Parade. Participation in the Parade is by **INVITATION ONLY**.

*Please enclose a photograph or video of your group with the application form.*

NAME OF ORGANIZATION **Shaolin Temple USA 少林寺文化中心** Website: <http://www.shaolinusa.us>

ARE YOU A PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATION? (CIRCLE RESPONSE)  YES  NO

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# MARCHING MEMBERS 45 #FLOAT RIDERS (IF APPLICABLE) N/A TOTAL IN GROUP (INCL PARENTS/OTHER WALKERS) 50

DESCRIPTION OF GROUP (PERFORMANCE, COSTUMES, MUSIC, PROPS)

**Performing group: 8 Shaolin Kung Fu Monks 少林寺武僧, 37 students of Shaolin Temple USA aged 9 - 70+.**

**Performance: Shaolin Kung Fu (traditional Shaolin Fist forms including animal forms such as the dragon, tiger, monkey, eagle, praying mantis, etc. featuring the Shaolin Snake Fist, Shaolin traditional weapons such as broadsword and shield, drunken sword, 3-sectioned staff, crescent spade, 9-sectioned whip chain, etc. and Shaolin Wellness Qigong exercises.)**

**Costumes: The monks will be in traditional monk attire 僧服; the students will wear the school's traditional Luohan uniform 罗汉服.**

**Music: Pre-recorded kung fu and traditional Chinese music played on portable CD player.**

**Props: Traditional Chinese martial arts weapons such as spears, swords, staffs, broadswords and shields, whips; banners and flags**

## Southwest Airlines Chinese New Year Parade 2013 Application - Shaolin Temple USA (page 2)

WHAT DO YOU PLAN TO DO IN THE 2013 CHINESE NEW YEAR PARADE?

IF YOU ARE A MARCHING BAND, LIST THE MUSIC THAT YOU WILL PLAY.

The procession will stop at designated intervals and perform spectacular Shaolin Kung Fu to pre-recorded music:

- Shaolin Animal forms featuring the “Shaolin Snake Fist” 《少林蛇拳》
- Shaolin Wellness exercises 少林养生功 - from the 1,500-year old healing system for body and mind including the ancient Shaolin manuals *Yijinjing* (Change of Sinews 易筋经) and *Xisuijing* (Bone Marrow Cleansing 洗髓经).
- The famous 18 traditional Shaolin weapons such as spears, swords, staffs, crescent spades, whips, hooks, dadao, etc. 少林十八般兵器
- Dynamic Shaolin style kicks and jumps, breathtaking sparring sets and spectacular flag routine 少林旗队

### HISTORY OF YOUR SCHOOL OR GROUP

Founded in 2007 as a California nonprofit corporation, Shaolin Temple USA is the first official North American branch of the world famous Songshan Shaolin Temple in Henan Province of China, with the mission to share the 1,500-year old Shaolin cultural heritage with the American people through performances, workshops and Shaolin Kung Fu classes. Under the leadership of Master Shi Yanran, 34th generation Shaolin Kung Fu monk, Shaolin Temple USA currently operates 3 Shaolin Temple Culture Centers in San Francisco, Fremont, CA and Herndon, VA with over over 1,000 multi-ethnic students aged 4 to 80. Shaolin Temple USA also offers Shaolin Kung Fu classes at Stanford University School of Medicine. The monks at Shaolin Temple USA are seasoned Shaolin Kung Fu performers who have toured over 40 countries in theatrical productions of Shaolin Kung Fu, as well as local cultural events such as the kickoff for the Shanghai Exhibit at the Asian Art Museum in 2010, sports events such as the as well as the Stanford University Men’s & Women’s Basketball games in 2010 & 2011, collaboration with renowned arts groups such as Alonzo King’s LINES Ballet of San Francisco and Firebird Youth Chinese Orchestra of San Jose. Students of Shaolin Temple USA have performed Shaolin Kung Fu in the 2009 Shaolin Temple Day Celebration at SF Union Square and San Jose Center for the Performing Arts, as well as in many community events. Shaolin Temple USA was featured on National Geographic AMAZING in June 2010. Master Shi Yanran was named Martial Artist of the Year by the 12th World Congress on Qigong and was featured on the cover of Kung Fu Magazine’s May-June 2012 issue. Shaolin Temple USA participated in the Southwest Airlines Chinese New Year Parade for the first time in February 2010. Shaolin Temple USA’s parade team was awarded 2nd place in the 2011 parade’s community organizations category, and 1st place in the 2012 Special Units category.

### FUTURE APPEARANCES PLANNED

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| 11/17/2012   | 2012 Fall Intramural Games Shaolin Kung Fu Competition<br>Shaolin Temple USA Culture Center, Fremont CA        | 6/2013  | Tiger Claw International Martial Arts Tournament, San Jose   |
| 12/29/2012   | Shaolin Temple USA 5th Anniversary Performance<br>Palace of Fine Arts Theatre, San Francisco                   | 7/2013  | <i>Shaolin Kung Fu in the Park</i> , Golden Gate Park, SF  |
| 2/20/2013    | <i>Asian Art Museum—Opening night gala celebrating China’s Terracotta Warriors: The First Emperor’s Legacy</i> | 8/2013  | <i>High Sky, Long River</i> — 3-city Germany tour with Alonzo King’s Lines Ballet                          |
| 3/16-17/2013 | Shaolin Temple Day, San Francisco, Fremont CA; Herndon, VA   | 9/2013  | Shaolin Kung Fu Exhibition, Stanford University  |
| 3/20/2013    | Chinese Martial Arts Tournament (CMAT21), UC Berkeley  | 9/2013  | Autumn Moon Festival Celebration, San Francisco  |
|              |  | 9/2013  | Autumn Moon Festival Celebration produced by World Channel 32  |
|              |  | 11/2013 | 2012 Fall Intramural Games Shaolin Kung Fu Competition<br>Shaolin Temple USA Culture Center, San Francisco |

### OTHER NOTEWORTHY INFORMATION

China Songshan Shaolin Temple 中国河南省嵩山少林寺 - Located in Henan Province of central China—the “center of heaven & earth” and cradle of Chinese civilization. Built in 495 AD by the Wei Dynasty Emperor Wendi to house an eminent Indian Buddhist monk, it is the birthplace of Chan (Zen) Buddhism and Shaolin Kung Fu. Historically, Songshan Shaolin Temple is renowned not only for Chan Buddhism and Kung Fu, but also for medicine and art (calligraphy, poetry and painting). Shaolin Temple remains an epicenter of Chan Buddhist studies, Shaolin Kung Fu, Chinese culture and traditions today. <http://shaolin.org.cn>

Chan Buddhism 中国禅宗 - Originated from India over 2,500 years ago, Buddhism in China was integrated with the teachings of Confucianism and Taoism as well as Chinese customs to become Chan Buddhism that was deeply ingrained with traditional Chinese culture. Chinese Chan Buddhism has spread all over the world during the past 15 centuries. Today, Chan Buddhism is the largest Buddhist sect in the world with over 200 million practitioners around the globe.

Shaolin Kung Fu and Shaolin Kung Fu Chan 少林功夫与少林功夫禅 - There is a saying that “All martial arts under heaven originated from Shaolin 天下功夫出少林.” With a history of 1,500 years, Shaolin Kung Fu is the largest and most influential martial arts system in the world. Shaolin Kung Fu emphasizes the “Union of Chan and Kung Fu 禅武合一” for the harmony of body and mind. Practicing Shaolin Kung Fu builds physical health and cultivates the spirit. Millions of people around the world learn and train in Shaolin Kung Fu everyday for physical fitness, discipline, self defense and cultural enrichment.

Shaolin Temple USA 少林寺文化中心 is an official cultural branch of China Songshan Shaolin Temple (中国嵩山少林寺) with the mission to share the rich cultural heritage of Shaolin culture with the American people through performances, workshops and classes. The first Shaolin Temple Culture Center opened in July 2007 in Fremont, CA, the second Center located in San Francisco was officially opened by the Venerable Abbot Shi Yongxin of China Songshan Shaolin Temple on March 19, 2009. A third Center opened in Herndon, Virginia in July 2010.

Shaolin Temple USA began offering weekly Shaolin Kung Fu classes at Stanford University’s School of Medicine in January 2011 to faculty and staff. The class was featured on Stanford University’s official online newspaper *Stanford Reporter* on February 28, 2012 with interviews, photos and videos that were widely circulated, translated and broadcast worldwide, with many more original interviews and coverage by news services and newspapers in China.

<http://shaolinusa.us>, <http://shaolin.org.cn>

Shaolin Temple Day 少林寺日 **March 21** — On March 21, 2009, Shaolin Temple USA jointly hosted the tremendously successful “China Songshan Shaolin Temple Day 中国嵩山少林寺日” celebration on Union Square, SF with Songshan Shaolin Temple and California State Senator Leland Yee during a 6-day event that included a spectacular performance of Shaolin Kung Fu (少林古韵) at the San Jose Center for the Performing Arts on March 22, and a full day of celebration at the State Capitol in Sacramento. March 21 was proclaimed “Shaolin Temple Day” by the California State Senate in 2004 and again in 2009. Venerable Abbot Shi Yongxin of Songshan Shaolin Temple and delegation visited California for the Shaolin Day festivities on both occasions. Shaolin Temple Day will again be celebrated in 2013 as an annual event produced by Shaolin Temple USA.

Shaolin Temple USA celebrates its 5th anniversary in 2012 with a series of events including a Joint Performance of Shaolin Warrior Monks and students on December 29 at the San Francisco Palace of Fine Arts Theatre.

[http://shaolinusa.us/event\\_09shaolinday1.html](http://shaolinusa.us/event_09shaolinday1.html) [http://shaolinusa.us/event\\_09shaolinday\\_news.html](http://shaolinusa.us/event_09shaolinday_news.html) <http://shaolin.org.cn/show.asp?id=1835>

**Photos and video links:** [http://shaolinusa.us/chineseparade2013\\_application.html](http://shaolinusa.us/chineseparade2013_application.html)



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***Year of the Dragon Chinese New Year Parade*** in San Francisco, Feb. 2012

Shaolin Temple USA Kung Fu Monks and students participated in this year's parade with an exciting, all new program featuring *Shaolin Dragon Fist*. Our team was awarded 1st place in the Special Units category.



***Shaolin Kung Fu at Halftime***

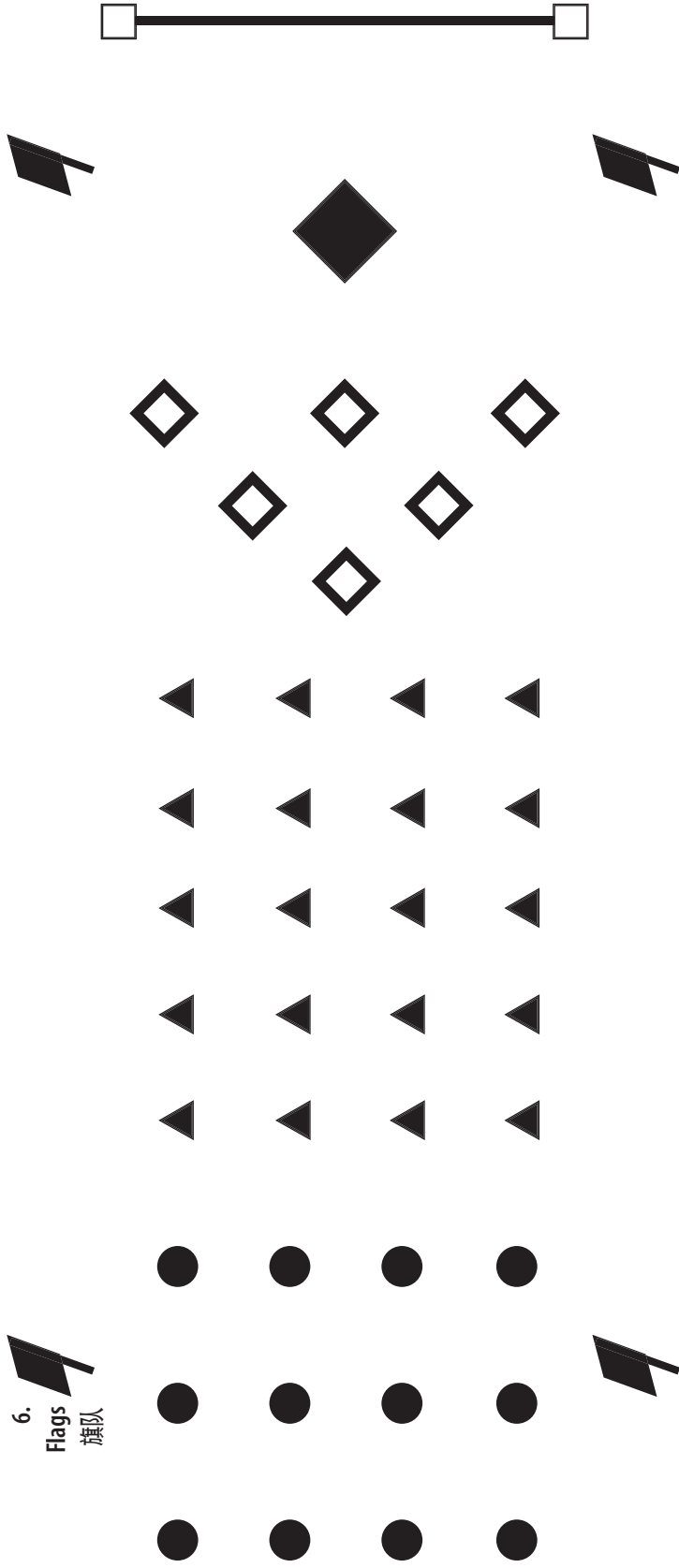
Shaolin Kung Fu performance by the Warrior Monks of Shaolin Temple USA at Stanford Men's and Women's Basketball Games halftime.



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- 6.  Flags  
旗队
- 5.  Shaolin Wellness  
Qigong: *Yinjingjin*  
少林养生气功  
《易筋经》
- 4.  Shaolin Flying Snake  
Fist  
少林蛇拳
- 3.  Shaolin Warrior Monks/  
Instructors  
少林寺文化中心教练团 (武僧)  
Swords, spears, whips & Shaolin Fist  
少林刀、剑、枪、鞭、少林拳
- 2.  Head Monk 领队  
少林寺文化中心主任  
释延然 法师  
Master Shi YanRan  
Executive Director of  
Shaolin Temple USA
- 1.  Shaolin Temple USA  
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少林寺文化中心  
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