

Huaxia New York  
Central Chinese School



2013

*Chinese New Year  
Celebration*

TIME

12:30-4:30PM, Sunday, February 17, 2013

PLACE

WCC Theatre and the Lounge  
75 Grasslands Road,  
Valhalla, NY 10595

ADMISSION

\$8/person, includes lunch, show and a raffle ticket

Reserve tickets via email  
[tickets@hxnyc.org](mailto:tickets@hxnyc.org)

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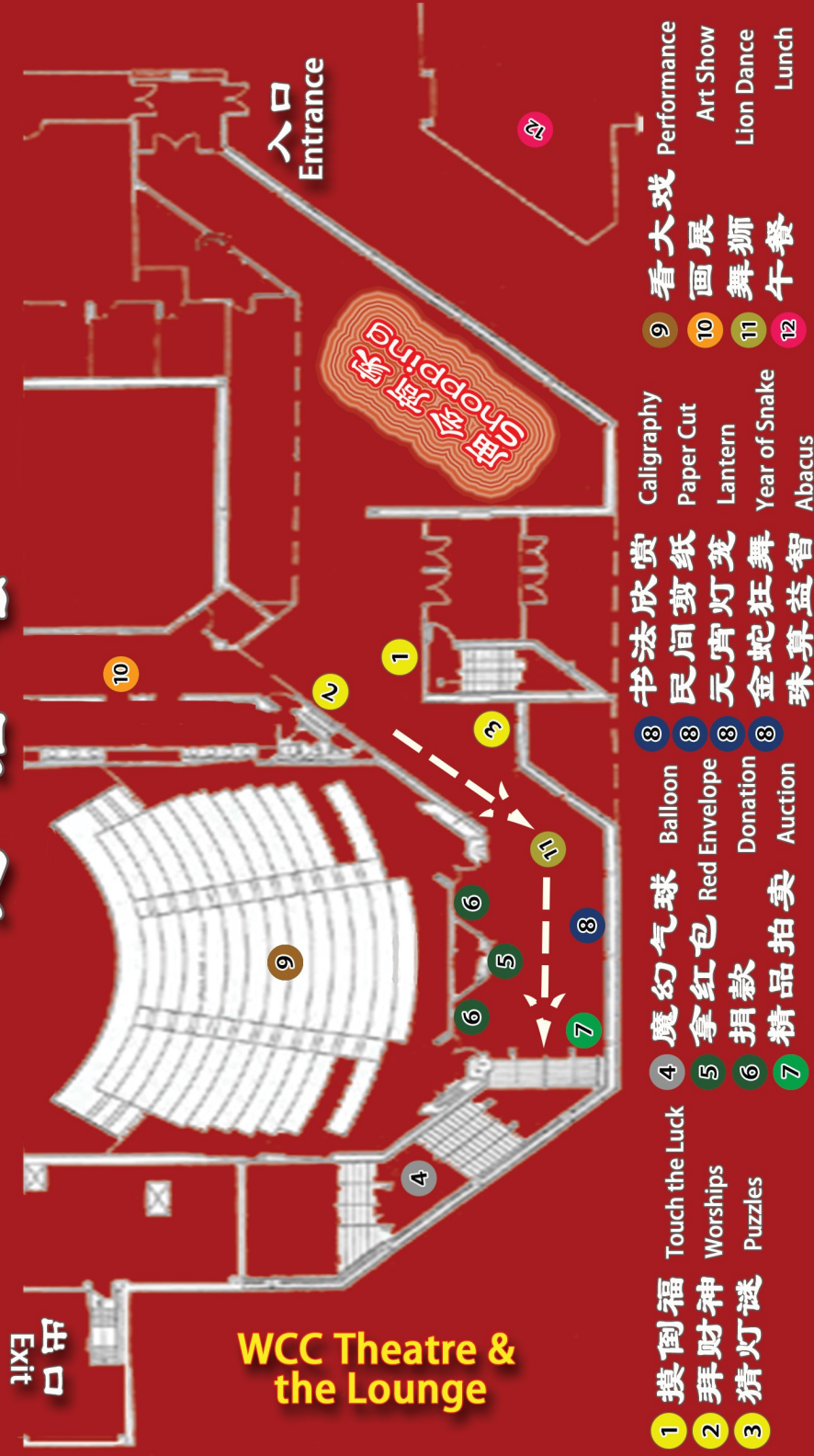


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# Temple Fair Guide

## 庙会赶会



## Temple Fair

Chinese Temple fair was originally a showing activity entertaining the people by the Buddhism and Taoism organizations, with the attractive recreation performance such as dances, drama and inspection tour, etc. Later some worship activities of the folk beliefs were transmitted to temples. When the festival ceremonies were held, various kinds of the folk organizations came there to add to the fun. In this way, the temples were gradually becoming the sites for mass gathering for the religions activities.

Gradually, the business activities during the temple fair had increased. As time passed, temple fair has become the main trading market for the people to purchase daily necessities, and has become an important kind of Chinese fair.

With the secularization of the religious activities, the temple fair activities have been popularized and become active. The custom of holding regular temple fair can be found everywhere. And the contents of the temple fairs are slightly different in different places with their own features. Even in some small scaled temple fairs there are small drama shows such as shadow play and storytelling. Especially during the Spring Festival, the temple fairs in some important temples are hugely crowded with people who take the opportunity to burn incense and worship the Buddha and wish a good luck in a new year.