



CHINESE CULTURAL FOUNDATION

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PRESS RELEASE

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The Chinese Cultural Foundation proudly announced its Annual Holiday Reception and Award Celebration at the Harvard Club in New York City on Wednesday December 17, 2014 from 5:30 to 7:30pm.

This year's honorees are two important leaders in the worlds of culture and business:

Sir Clive Gillinson, Executive and Artistic Director of Carnegie Hall and Director of the 2015 China Tour of the National Youth Orchestra of the United States. The Chinese Cultural Foundation is proud to be a partner of this historic musical tour which will bring together 120 talented young musicians from both countries to share their common passion for classical music.

Bailin Zheng, President of the International Economic Club of China and former head of the Bank of China in New York City. The Bank of China has been a long-time supporter of the Chinese Cultural Foundation and a host of previous celebrations at their elegant Madison Avenue headquarters in New York City.

As so elegantly expressed by our Honorary Chairman, **Maurice R. Greenberg** and by former President of the World Bank **Sir James D.**

Wolfensohn at the 10th Anniversary Gala of the Chinese Cultural Foundation: *"In our very small world, it is culture in all forms that unites us. Art, music, dance, literature -- are the elements that transcend our daily lives and make us realize that we are all part of a single global community, and that beauty has no national boundaries."*

Mr. John W. Allen, Trustee of the Chinese Cultural Foundation, will serve as host for this event and will introduce his fellow international banker **Bailin Zheng**. **Ms. Elizabeth B. Wang**, President of the Chinese Cultural Foundation, and former China National Classical Dance Champion will introduce **Sir Clive Gillinson**.

Remarks from New York State **Governor Andrew Cuomo** and Chinese **Ambassador Sun Guoxiang** are also expected, expressing their congratulations to the Chinese Cultural Foundation for its important role in helping make New York City the *"Cultural Capital of the World"*.

There will be a live performance of "Kong Hou" by Moon, a highly acclaimed young musician and a display of the contemporary art of Zhiyuan Cong, whose compelling works capture the dynamic interaction of eastern and western artistic expression.

We are also grateful to Tourneau, Inc, America's largest luxury watch retailer, for providing everyone with a very special holiday gift.

The Harvard Club is particularly beautiful at this time of year so allow time to look at the tree and decorations in the main hall. There will be plenty of good spirits and h'orderves to help everyone celebrate a joyous season and a healthy and prosperous New Year!

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