



Pelham Art Center

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Chinese New Year Celebration at Pelham Art Center Saturday, February 5, 2011 1:30- 3:30pm



Chinese New Year 2010

Pelham Art Center presents a FREE event in celebration of the Chinese New Year. This year, 2011, is the Year of the Rabbit. Please join artists Heidi Chang and Yajuan Zhang for two free all age art workshops on Saturday, February 5 from 1:30- 3:30pm. Community members and families can join these folkloric artists to learn about the day's history and customs and make a related artwork.

Chinese New Year is a traditional Chinese holiday that starts with the New Moon on the first day of the new year and ends on the full moon 15 days later. Each year it is named for one of 12 symbolic animals including the rat, ox, tiger, hare, dragon, serpent, horse, ram, monkey, rooster, dog, and boar. This year, The Year of the Rabbit, commences on February 3, 2011. The Rabbit is the fourth sign in the Chinese Zodiac cycle, and it symbolized creativity, compassion and sensitivity. Artist and educator Heidi Chang will be making Dragon Puppets in Studio 1. Folk artist Yajuan Zhang, of the Chinese Language School of Connecticut, will be making Rabbit Hats in Studio 2.

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Hours: Tuesday- Friday, 10-5pm Saturday, 10-4pm

Directions: Located 5 blocks from the Hutchinson Parkway exit 12 and 2 blocks from the Metro North Pelham stop

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