

## Holiday Greetings!



**NWCCA Board of Directors wishes you and your family a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!**

### NWCCA News

#### Chinese New Year (The Year of the Dragon) Celebration on January 28<sup>th</sup>, 2012

**Date/Time:** Saturday January 28<sup>th</sup>, 2012, 12 – 4 PM

**Location:** Whatcom Community College Syre Student Center

Please save the date! For your information, the Year of the Dragon starts on January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2012.

We are currently looking for sponsors / business owners to donate to the event and set up sponsor tables on CNY celebration day! For \$100 donation, you can set up a table at the event to promote your business, hand out brochures and answer customer questions. And your business name will be advertised on our website at [www.nwcca.org](http://www.nwcca.org) Community Directory page for a whole year. Please contact us if you are interested by replying to this email.

#### NWCCA December Membership Drive

We sincerely hope that you have enjoyed this year's cultural events and activities organized by the Association independently or collaborated with other organizations in the community. We also hope that you enjoyed the newsletters and email notifications we sent to you so you can stay up to date with events and activities in the community.

The Association depends on the support of members (via annual membership), donors, sponsors and lots of volunteers to make it possible for us to bring free and fun cultural and educational events to the community. To avoid waiting during CNY celebration and to help us by reducing the work load of our volunteers, we would like to urge you to renew ahead of time.

- If you are a current member (either Family or Single Membership), please renew your membership by simply sending a check of the right amount (note it as Renewal) to NWCCA, PO Box 28275, Bellingham, WA 98228;
- If you are currently not a member or if you need to make changes to your contact info (email, phone, family member names, address, etc.), please fill out the attached Membership form, include a check of the right amount, and mail it to NWCCA, PO Box 28275, Bellingham, WA 98228.

2012 Membership Fee (same as 2011):

- Family Membership - \$30/year
- Single Membership - \$20/year
- Student Membership - \$15/year

Thank you in advance for your thoughtfulness and for your continued support!

## Community News

### Northwest Ballet's Nutcracker with Live Orchestra

Northwest Ballet's Nutcracker is especially exciting this year - It is a marriage of live ballet and live orchestra!

There are 3 shows at Mount Baker Theatre in Bellingham and tickets are still available:

- December 9, Friday, at 7:30pm
- December 10, Saturday, at 7:30pm
- December 11 (Sunday) at 2:00pm



It will be a fun evening or afternoon to spend with your family and friends during this holiday season!

**2nd North America Young Musician Contest for Playing Chinese Music at 4<sup>th</sup> Chinese Culture Festival Concert in March 2012**

(See promo video for 4<sup>th</sup> Chinese Culture Festival Concert at [YouTube](#))

**Recital Location:** The Amadeus Project, 1209 Cornwall Ave. Bellingham, WA 98225

**Time:** Friday Dec. 16, 2011 at 7:00 pm

Two applicants entering into 2nd phase: Amy Han and Eric Tan – two young and talented pianists.

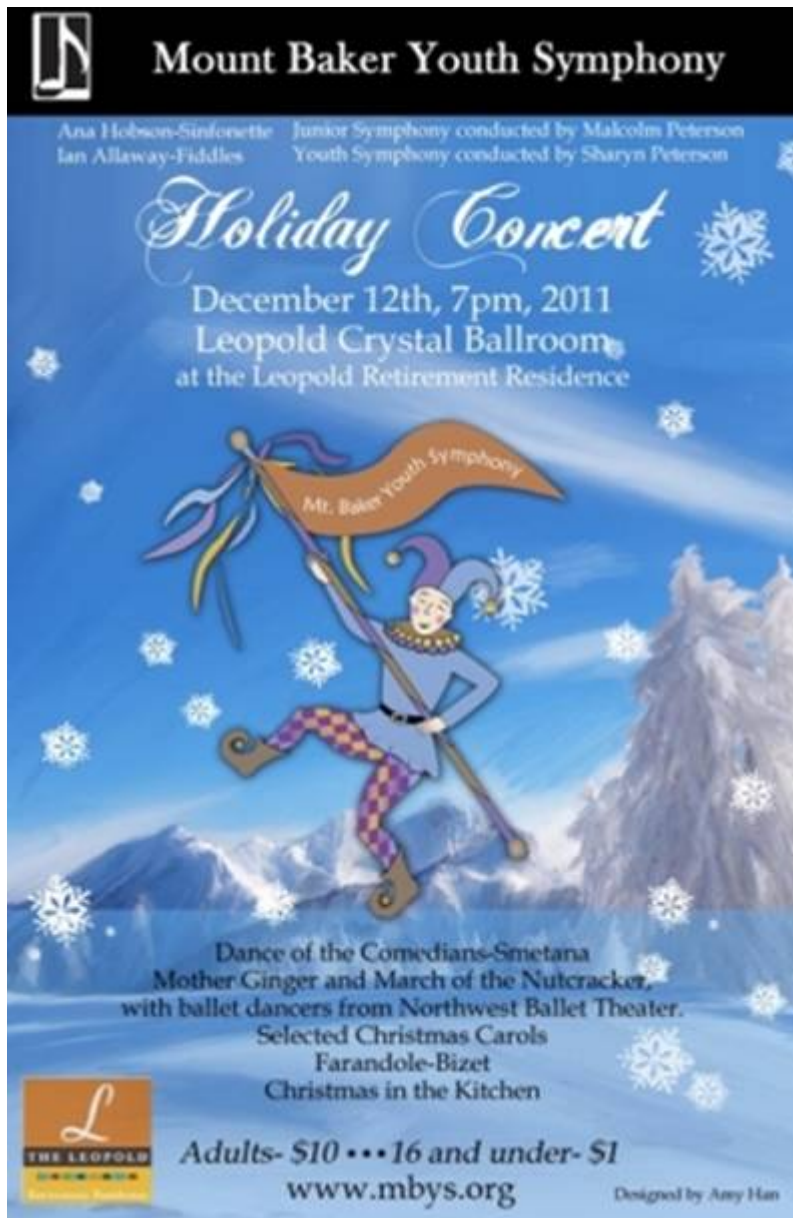
Henry Han will play Guzheng, and a couple of students from Seattle will be in the recital as well.

**Judges:**

- Roger Briggs, Prof. and Conductor of Whatcom Symphony Orchestra
- Sharyn Peterson, violinist and conductor of Mt Baker Youth Symphony and Fidalgo Youth Symphony
- Anne Hildebrand, violinist and founder and treasurer of Mt Baker Youth Symphony
- Austin Huang, artistic director of Bellingham Chinese Culture Festival, Honorary Affiliate Prof.
- Lilly Yang, Prof. and Public Relations of Bellingham Chinese Culture Festival Committee

You and your family are invited to join them for a fun and musical evening!

**Mount Baker Youth Symphony Holiday Concert – Dec. 12<sup>th</sup> 7pm at Leopold Crystal Ballroom**

The poster features a blue background with white snowflakes and a central illustration of a jester in a blue outfit and purple hat, holding a banner that says "Mt. Baker Youth Symphony". The background also shows a snowy mountain range and a large evergreen tree. The text is arranged in a clear, hierarchical layout, starting with the organization's name at the top, followed by the concert title and date, then the program details, and finally the ticket prices and website information at the bottom.

**Mount Baker Youth Symphony**

Ana Hobson-Sinforette Junior Symphony conducted by Malcolm Peterson  
Ian Allaway-Fiddles Youth Symphony conducted by Sharyn Peterson

*Holiday Concert*

December 12th, 7pm, 2011  
Leopold Crystal Ballroom  
at the Leopold Retirement Residence

Dance of the Comedians-Smetana  
Mother Ginger and March of the Nutcracker,  
with ballet dancers from Northwest Ballet Theater.  
Selected Christmas Carols  
Farandole-Bizet  
Christmas in the Kitchen

**Adults- \$10 ••• 16 and under- \$1**  
[www.mbys.org](http://www.mbys.org)

THE LEOPOLD  
Retirement Residence

Designed by Amy Han

Again, you and your family are invited to join them for a fun and musical evening!

Warmest wishes to you and yours for a joyous and peaceful holiday season!

NWCCA Board and

Xinrong Lynch – NWCCA President