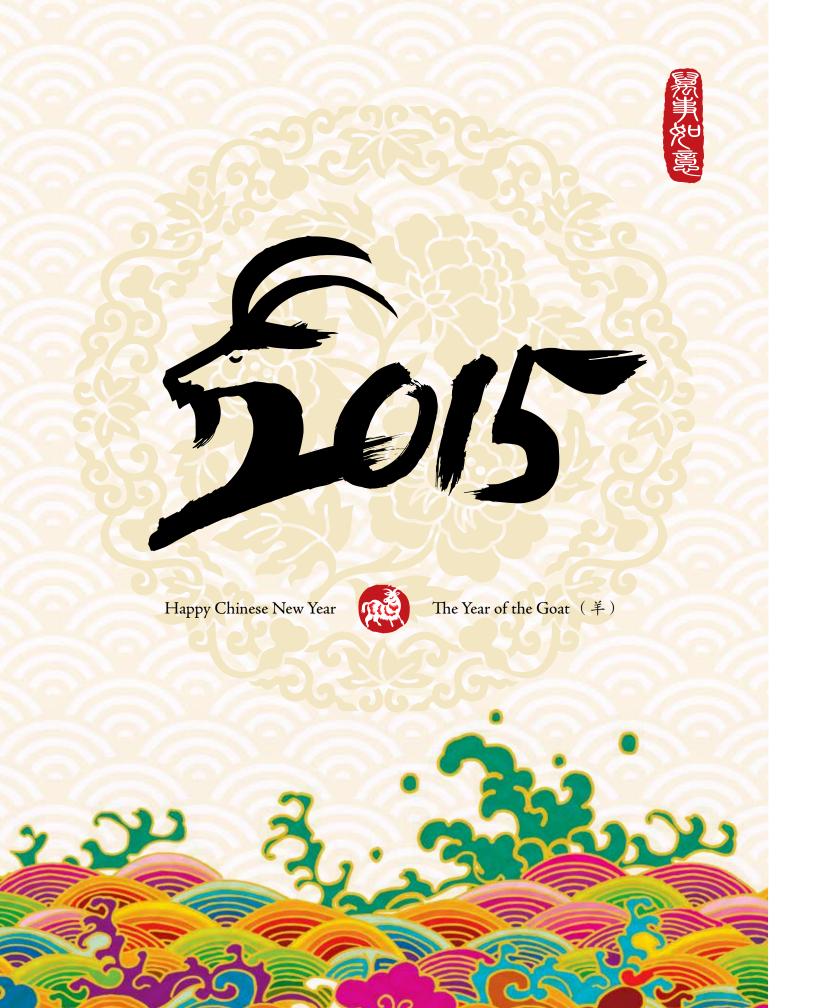
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The Chinese Association of Iowa

The Chinese Association of Iowa (CAI) is a community-based non-profit organization. CAI represents the business, economic, and social interests of Iowa's Chinese American population. The mission of the Chinese Association of Iowa is to promote friendship among the Chinese with other ethnic groups; to provide assistance to the Chinese Americans of Iowa; and to promote the civic, cultural, and educational development of the Chinese-American community in Iowa.

Since 1987, the Chinese Association of Iowa has provided the following cultural programs and community resources:

- Chinese Movie Nights
- Chinese Passport, Visa and Travel Services
- Fundraisers for Community Members in Need
- Iowa Chinese Language & Cultural Academy
- Iowa Youth Leadership International (IYLI)
- Legal Seminars
- Seminars on Parenting, College Planning, and Tax Preparation
- The Annual Iowa Chinese Achievement Award
- The Annual Iowa Chinese Mid-Autumn Festival
- The Annual Iowa Chinese New Year Celebration
- The Annual Iowa Chinese New Year Poster Contest
- The Chinese Village at the Annual Asian Heritage Festival
- The Iowa-China Business Forum
- The Iowa Chinese Community Photography Contest
- The Iowa Chinese Job/Career Forum
- The Iowa Chinese Library at the Urbandale Public Library









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Visit the Chinese Association of Iowa website at iowachinese.org and click on Membership to complete the membership form.

Membership Fees

Individual: \$10/Annual \$200/Lifetime
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Person of the Year

Dr. David Maxwell, President, Drake University

Persons of the Year are dedicated to celebrating individuals for their distinguished involvement in and contribution to the Iowa Chinese community.

The Corporate Leadership Award

US Bank

The Corporate Leadership Award is dedicated to celebrating and recognizing corporations or individuals in the corporate sector who exemplify not only excellence in their profession, but also leadership and commitment in their respective communities, and to celebrating the existing corporate culture of diversity initiatives.

The Community Business Award

Morgan Stanley Wealth Management

The Community Business Award is dedicated to companies that help tackle deprivation and create sustainable, dynamic and inclusive communities. It is also dedicated to individuals whose leadership and commitment to a sensible business model have resulted in changes and improvements within their own company, and have also inspired other organizations to emulate.

The Community Leadership Award

Kenn Yu, Past President, Chinese Association of Iowa, Business Development Analyst, Principal Financial Group

The Community Leadership Award recognizes individuals and organizations whose leadership has made a significant impact in lowa communities. The Community Leadership Awards showcase individual or organizational excellence in leadership as demonstrated by outstanding initiative, impact of work, and inspiration of others.

Education Agencies of the Year

Maur Hill-Mount Academy, Atchison, Kansas Merrill Middle School, Des Moines, Iowa Walnut Street School, Des Moines, Iowa

Education Agency of the Year is dedicated to the schools or school districts that have demonstrated exemplary practices or programs in one or more of the following areas:

- Curriculum development, staff development, or administrative practices to improve or provide more equitable educational opportunities for children and youth;
- Enhancement of communications within and among local school districts for ethnic groups;
- Promotion and development of state and regional delivery systems which bring about creative, efficient and effective education for diversity and international understanding.

The Leadership in Diversity Award

Henny Ohr, Founder and Executive Director, Ethnic Minorities of Burma Advocacy and Resource Center

Gayle Canada, Americorp Service Learning Action Advocate, Merrill Middle School

Leadership in Diversity Award recognizes individuals and organizations that demonstrate outstanding creativity, commitment and effectiveness in promoting diversity in the state of lowa.

Artists of the Year

Santiago Sanchez, Cedar Rapids **Lindsay Linxi Yang**, Milwaukee

Artist of the Year is open to all artists of all abilities from beginner to professional, youth to adults and is dedicated to the volunteer professional artists to work with the Chinese Association of Iowa to creatively communicate their social messages through art.

Cultural Ambassador Award

Kansas LeYue Arts Ensemble Minnesota Chinese Opera

The Cultural Ambassadors Award encourages the visionary artists and supporters who develop the next generation of cultural leaders which enables young people to combine their passions for drama, dance and music, with the opportunity to comment on the local arts scene.

Volunteers of the Year

Lucas Luoxi Hao, Truman State University
Ningbo Lu, Iowa State University
Alice Aixiang Kong, Asia Massage
Xin Song, Des Moines Area Community College
Muse Fengze Sun, Iowa State University
Iris Yue Yin, Drake University

Volunteers of the Year are dedicated to those who lead a life of volunteerism and making a difference in the communities in which they live and work. The nominations will be judged based on their involvement, impact to the organization and the value of their work to the community.

Youth Leadership Award

Evan Wenhao Li, Dowling High School Mary Ann Schwindt, Merrill Middle School Katie Wang, Waukee High School Pauline Ziqing Ye, Des Moines Christian School

Youth Leadership Award is to honor extraordinary young people for their character and leadership. The award recognizes the youth who strives to be their personal best, to make a positive difference in their schools, youth groups, and communities, and to show outstanding qualities in the leadership of providing services.

Youth of the Year

Jerry Yingnan Hao, Maur Hill-Mount Academy John Xiaoxu Jiang, Maur Hill-Mount Academy Hira Mustafa, Valley High School Joy Rector, Merrill Middle School Tanya Ziqi Wang, Dowling High School Annie Zhang, Valley High School

Youth of the Year recognizes the young people who serve and make a difference in our community, they will be honored for their selfless acts and character development.

2015 Iowa Chinese New Year Posters Contest

1st Place: Gloria Aguilar, Merrill Middle School 2nd Place: Faiza Naseer, Merrill Middle School 3rd Place: John Watson, Merrill Middle School

The Past Iowa Chinese Achievement Award Honorees (2003-2013)

THE 2013 IOWA CHINESE ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS HONOREES

Persons of the Year

Sarah Lande Luca Berrone

The Leadership in Diversity Award Tammy Getting Marsha Kephart

The Corporate Leadership Award Bill Aossey

The Community Leadership Award Kathy Murphy

The Community Business Award Family Acupuncture

Education Agency of the Year

Meredith Middle School Scattergood Friends School

Governmental Agency of the Year City of Waukee

Non-profit Organization of the Year Iowa Soybean Association

Volunteers of the Year

Lingxiao Shen Na Ta Xiaolong Wang Xiaochen Zuo **Youth Leadership Award**

Sihan Gao Yuejia Zhu

Youth of the Year

Survatej Akavaram Emily Hou Allen Robles Zhiyu Li Celine Robles Hanson Yan Iunjia Zhang Ziqing Ye Ruifan Zhang Isabelle Pierotti-May

THE 2012 IOWA CHINESE ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS HONOREES

Persons of the Year

Rick and Martha Kimberly

Outstanding Contributor Award Consul General Guogiang Yang

Corporate Leadership Award Vermeer Corporation

Community Leadership Award Lang Deng

Community Business Award Mandarin Grill & Sushi Bar

Leadership in Diversity Award Joseph Cassis Doua Lor

Education Agency of the Year Norwalk School District

Government Agency of the Year Dallas County

Non-profit Organization of the Year Great Des Moines Partnership

Artists of the Year

Zongheng Chen Jianqiu Jiang Sarah Xiaodi Sun Siming Wang Sunny Ri Xia

Cultural Ambassador Award

Minnesota Chinese Opera: Hong Fan, Charles Geng, Rachel Li, Steven Shen, Joan Shi, Junru Tang, Ling Wang, Lifang Yin, Meigi Zhang, Jiaohua Zhou

China Group:

Zhenwei Guo, Wei Han, Xiangxing Liu, Yisi Liu, Zihao Ma, Hua Tang, Congyi Wang, Han Wu, Qingyi Xiao, Yidu Xu, Zhaoxuan Yang

Volunteers of Year

Amy Larmie Jiayin Hu Weimo Zhao Fei Zhou

Youth Leadership Award Hang Yang

Youth of the Year

Irene Cheung Yan Chan Ian Fisher Bellara Huang Mallory Murphy Kere Keil Melanie Riordan Ben Wade

Daniel Xu

THE 2010 IOWA CHINESE ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS HONOREES

Dr. David Jiajian Wang Award for Humanity Red Cross Central Iowa Chapter

The Outstanding Contributor Award John Swanson

Persons of the Year

Ed and Margreet Van Ouwerkerk

Leadership in Diversity Award

Daryl Beall, State of Iowa Senator Vicky Poole, Valley High School Principal

The Corporate Leadership Award Iowa Realty

The Community Leadership Award Kevin Koester

Community Education Director Ankeny School Administration

Ko-Hsing Huang International Student Coordinator, DMACC The Media Leadership Award

David Ruzhao Cheng China Tribune

The Community Business of the Year Comfort Suites at Living History Farms,

Urbandale

Education Agency of the Year

Iowa State University International Students and Scholars Office

Government Agency of the Year City of Ankeny

Non-profit Organization of the Year Dr. David Wang Memorial One Half Marathon Foundation

The Asian American Achievement Award for Women's Leadership

Mary Xu, Chicago, Illinois

Family of the Year

Jim, Christin, Andrew, Chas, Peiton, and Meilin Grant, Norwalk

Volunteers of the Year

Suresh Kumar Lucv Li David Chong Xu

Youth Leadership Award

Kevin Han

Youth of the Year

Eric Chen Keedy Cheung Sarah Liu Ashton Mellinger Eric Nie Lydia Tsui Chelsea Wang Jenny Wang Debra Yu Yale Zhu

THE 2009 IOWA CHINESE ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS HONOREES

Dr. David Jiajian Wang Award for Humanity Eric Idehen, Wells Fargo

The Outstanding Contributor Award

Flying Tigers The American Volunteer Group (AVG)

Person of the Year

Erin Kiernan, WHOTV

Cyndi Chen

The Corporate Leadership Award Faegre & Benson LLP The Media Leadership Award

The Community Leadership Award Will Zhang

The Community Business of the Year C&L Companies, Inc.

Education Agency of the Year Drake University Chinese Cultural Exchange Program

Government Agency of the Year Des Moines Police Department

Non-profit Organization of the Year Iowa Council for International

Volunteers of the Year

Bob Petersen Jian Jin Joy Tan

Artist of the Year Grace Yang

Cultural Ambassador of the Year Bethany Allison

Youth Leadership Award

Mary Feng

Youth of the Year

Lisa Thai Vanessa Au lasmine Au lessica Au

THE 2011 IOWA CHINESE ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS HONOREES

The Outstanding Contributor Award Former Lt. Governor Patty Judge

Persons of the Year Rita McClain

Marlon Mueller

Leadership in Diversity Award Former State Senator Patrick Deluhery Dr. Phyllis Staplin

The Corporate Leadership Award Principal Financial Group

The Community Leadership Award Stan Lam

The Community Business Award Mojos on 86th

Education Agency of the Year AIB College of Business

Government Agency of the Year City of West Des Moines

Non-profit Organization of the Year Iowa Business Council

Family of the Year Award The Thai Family

(Tu Nguu Thai, Xing Jie Liao, Lisa Thai, Andrew Thai, and Jenny Thai)

Volunteers of the Year Haotian Bai

Han Ning Xingqi Su Tian Sun Meng Xu

Arts Achievement Award Qian Xu

Ying Zhang Artists of the Year

Shuling Cheng Nina Liu

Cultural and Goodwill Ambassador of the Year

Youth Leadership Award Andrew Kok

Youth of the Year

Ellen Brooks

Farah Karim Hashim Gin Yushan Jiang Cassandra Rose Merrell

Steven Shiyu Yang Alice Shiyi Qi

THE 2008 IOWA CHINESE ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS HONOREES

(DMACC)

Understanding

Dr. David Jiajian Wang Award for Humanity Kemin Industries

Lifetime Achievement Award

J. Michael Earley, Former President & CEO **Bankers Trust**

Person of the Year Ashley Xing Lan

The Outstanding Contributor Award Shawn Johnson

The Corporate Leadership RDG Planning & Design

The Media Leadership Award China Tribune

The Community Leadership Award Tim Meline, Iowa Realty

Community Business of the Year Panda Garden

Education Agency of the Year Des Moines Area Community College

Government Agency of the Year City of Des Moines

Non-profit Organization of the Year Iowa Chinese Language School

Volunteers of the Year

Wai Cheng Tu Thai Artist of the Year

Guolin Zhao

Cultural Ambassador of the Year Don Walth, Eagle Claw Kung Fu West Des Moines Community School District

Youth Leadership Award Alice Yang

Youth of the Year

Alick Feng Ty Hennings

Mary Feng Kevin Hu Stenstone Huang Steven Huang Allison Pestotnik Yiming Qin

David Xu

THE 2007 IOWA CHINESE ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS HONOREES

Lifetime Achievement Award

R.W. Nelson, Chairman of the Board Kemin Industries, Inc.

Person of the Year Yongmei Zhou

The Outstanding Contributor Award

Governor Gary Yafe Locke The Former Governor of Washington Chow's Gymnastics & Dance Institute

The Corporate Leadership Nationwide

The Media Leadership Award Iowa Public Television (IPTV)

The Community Leadership Award See Rodari, Vice President, Bankers Trust

Iowa State University Chinese Students/ Scholars Friendship Association

Community Business of the Year Green Yoga House

Education Agency of the Year

Waukee Community School District

Government Agency of the Year Iowa Department of Economic Development

Non-profit Organization of the Year

NAACP (National Association for the Advancement of Colored People) Des Moines branch

Family of the Year

The Wang Family (Ke Wang, Yingli Xu and Dihao Wang)

Volunteers of the Year

Feng Li Lance Mascaro Xiaomin Qian Yang Xiang

Artist of the Year Joesten Zhou

Senior Citizen of the Year

Wayne Ellis Abuhl Lianfang Xu

Goodwill Ambassador of the Year

Lorna L. Davros Executive Administrative Assistant to the Mayor & Council

Youth of the Year

Jingjing Han Katie Hennings Wan Wang Kevin Shi Alice Xu

THE CHINESE ASSOCIATION OF IOWA 20TH ANNIVERSARY (1987-2007) AWARD HONOREES

The Dr. David Jiajian Wang Award for Humanity

Governor Robert D. Ray The Former Governor of Iowa

David Lee Founder's Award

G. David Hurd, Emeritus Chairman Principal Financial Group

International Business Leadership Award

Pioneer Hi-Bred International, Inc.

Leadership in Diversity Award Bankers Trust

Outstanding Media Award

The Des Moines Register

Chinese Community Contributor Award

Wei Du Grace Wang **Grace Yang**

THE 2006 IOWA CHINESE ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS HONOREES

Person of the Year

Helen Lee

Outstanding Contributor Award

Governor Thomas Vilsack the former Governor of Iowa

The Corporate Leadership Award Wells Fargo

Community Leadership Award Hilda Wolle

Educational Agency of the Year Ankeny Community School District

Government Agency of the Year Iowa Finance Authority

Non-profit Organization of the Year Gift of Love International Adoptions, Inc.

Community Business of the Year Community CPA and Associates, Inc

Volunteers of the Year

Jian Gong Shannon Haus Yong Huang Binfang Li Na Li

Goodwill Ambassador of the Year Gil Caldwell III

Family of the Year

The Ye Family (Tianxiang Ye, Jingwen Ming and Annie Ye)

Senior Citizens of the Year

Frank Affannato Fuyi Qiao William Wei

Youth of the Year

Kimi Nelson Jean Xie Kevin Zhou Peige Zhou

THE 2005 IOWA CHINESE ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS HONOREES

Lifetime Achievement Award

David Lee, Founder Chinese Association of Iowa

THE 2003 IOWA CHINESE

ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

Person of the Year

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Hugh Lu

The Corporate Leadership Award

Dean Oestreich, President Pioneer Hi-Bred International, Inc.

Family of the Year

The Hofferber Family (Fred, Barb, Leeann, Kerry, and Colin)

Volunteers of the Year

Scott Yinzhi Zhao Lei Dong

Youth of the Year

Justin Guan Hanna Wolle

Person of the Year **THE 2004 IOWA CHINESE ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS**

Frank Zhang

The Corporate Leadership Award

Bankers Trust

Persons of the Year Jianlin Zhai and Xiaoyan Shen

Volunteers of the Year

Yulan Shen **Grace Yang**

Youth of the Year

Annie Ye

Chinese Association of Iowa thanks you for your generous aupport!











































