Chines Watercolor Show

Students of

**Dorina Shen** 

# 朱榮琴西洋風格中國水彩畫畫展開

由朱榮琴指導的 20 多位中外學 生,即日起至本月24日止,在獨立市市 民中心(Inde-pendence Civic Center)舉 辦中國水彩國畫聯展(Chinese Wa-tercolor Show), 現場共有 70 多幅畫作參 展,展出作品有傳統的中國畫及融合西 洋風格的中國水彩畫。

這項畫展包括朱榮琴在凱亞荷加 山谷職訓中心(CVCC)、布維克斯維爾 藝術中心(Brecksville Art Center)及艾克 隆大學任課的 20 多位華洋學生, 這群 平均年齡在60歲以上的學生,有醫師、 護士、教授、建築師及家庭主婦等,至少 都學畫五年以上。



在此次聯展,豐富的繪畫 主題包括花、鳥、水草魚蝦、動 物、人物及山水等。

獨立市市民中心的地址為: 6363 Selig Blvd., Independence,展 示時間為周一至周日, 每天上午 9 時半至下午 6 時。

#### Art Student Carries on Chinese Tradition by Bethany Qiang

Brecksville Broadview Heights Middle School, and have a sparkling passion for many art forms. I have been drawing and painting realistic art forms since I was four years old. I have studied pencil drawing from the ages of five to ten, and in December of 2004, attended Ms. Shen's student's art show at the Brecksville Library. Since then, I have been taking lessons in Chinese Watercolor from Ms. Shen.

Ms. Shen's passion of art shows through her paintings. Her artwork can be found in many continents, including North America, South America, Europe, and Asia. Ms. Shen teaches Chinese Watercolor at several areas, including the University of Akron, Cuyahoga Community College, Cuyahoga Valley Career Center and the Cleveland OASIS program for senior citizens. Ms. Shen's artwork includes a variety of xieyi and gongbi art, and she has passed these cultural traditions down to her students.

I have experienced the freedom of xieyi painting, as well as the meticulous gongbi style of art. Xieyi drawings are composed of freehand strokes, and it transfers your inner emotions onto the paper. I started off with xieyi, and it is generally recommended for beginners as it is a good introduction to Chinese Watercolor and its strokes. Xieyi does not portray any fine detail, therefore sometimes is less time-consuming than gongbi drawings. Figure 1 is an example of the xieyi style of Chinese watercolor.

Another style of Chinese brush painting is gongbi, which I have also enjoyed. Gongbi shows the artist's emotions through details. Whether it is thin lines, small dots, carefully placed strokes, etc. , gongbi requires an excruciating amount of patience. It has a very scrupulous nature, and is recommended for those who have already have had some exposure to the traditional Chinese strokes. Figure 2 is an example of the gongbi style of Chi-

Chinese brush painting has benefited me in many ways, both as an artist and a person. It allows for the freedom of expression when words will simply not do the job. Chinese watercolor is a



wonderful way to relieve stress without any sudden outbursts of temper, and it most definitely helps someone calm down after a rough day. This form of painting allows us to learn what it means to be patient, as any kind of art requires patience. You will not get any result of value if you do not allow yourself to learn from your past mistakes. This goes hand in hand with perseverance and determination, two more things that Chinese watercolor have brought into my life. Some of the paintings I have done have taken more than a month to complete, but looking at the end result, every little ounce of effort put into it shines through in the end.

I enjoy writing as a member of my school' Power of the Pen team, and I have done very well. Power of the Pen is a writing competition among seventh and eighth graders throughout the state of Ohio. As a 7th grader during the 2005-2006 school year, I have tied for 3rd place at the District Tournament. I then moved on to place 10th at the Regional Tournament, and I had written the best-of-round paper for the third round. By placing in this position, I had qualified to move on to the highest level, the State Tournament at the College of Wooster.

I am also a member of my school's Math Counts team. Students from the seventh and eighth grades are selected by their schools to participate in an annual competition, usually held at Cleveland State University. Math Counts students partake in the Chapter and State competitions (if they qualify) through a process of problem solving, computations, and teamwork. I have placed 6th in the Chapter Competition. Doing so, I have moved on and qualified for the state and highest level of competition at Columbus State Universi-

In addition to quality academics, I have been playing violin since 4th grade, and currently play first violin in my school orchestra as well as

first violin in the Baldwin-Wallace Junior Youth Orchestra. I have been taking lessons with Mrs. Wei-Shu Co for three years. Mrs. Co is teaching at the Music Department at Baldwin-Wallace College, and is the Professor of the Music Department at Baldwin-Wallace. She also serves as concertmaster for the Cleveland Opera Orchestra and is first violin in the Cleveland Orchestra.

I have swum competitively for Peak Performance in the past. I have also been on the Brecksville Community Center's basketball teams. Currently, I play tennis at Peak Performance.

### LunchClub

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曲 National City Bank 和 LunchClub 聯合舉辦的第二場 Asian Professional Luncheon Series 上星期 五在 National City Bank 的四樓宴會 廳順利地降下了帷幕。繼第一場的 成功運作

後,第二 場再次受 到了大家 的熱烈歡 迎,與會 者人數超 過 65 人, 把宴會廳 內十幾張 圓桌擠得 滿滿的 第二場的 主題是關

於個人投資理財的講座,其中內容包 括不同種類的 401K, 529Plan 和 IRA 的詳細介紹以及建議。在大家享用 完豐盛的意式午餐後,National City Bank 從其 Private Client Group 中特 邀了三名資深顧問作了精彩演講。 和上次一樣,National City Bank 還特 別製作了精美的演講手冊,圖文並茂 的演説穿揷着妙趣橫生的解答,使大 家問得饒有興趣,聽得津津有味。

後的一對一答疑更是異常的踴躍,大 家爭先恐後地向專家提出自己的疑 問,整次活動直到臨近下午2點才告 -段落。中國人非常注重個人經濟 保障和孩子的教育,而這次活動切題

> 個解答關 心問題的 機會, 如此 的"恰到好 處"是與 LunchClub

的辛苦工 作所密不 可分的。和 往常一樣, LunchClub 每次選題

前都會做一個問卷調查,確保顧及到 公衆利益,關心的話題,免費的午餐, 再加上廣交朋友的機會, 難怪每次 LunchClub 組織的活動總是人頭濟 濟,好評連連。其實更大的好戲還在 頭, 春節晚會也在緊鑼密鼓地籌備 着,所以上個星期五沒有參與的朋友 千萬不要失望,希望在下一次的活動 中看到你的身影噢!



### 朱榮琴學生畫展"歡迎大家觀摩

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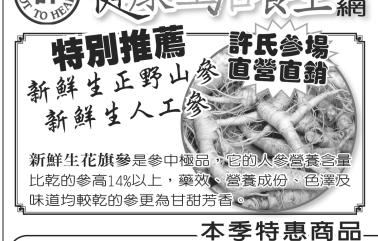
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