

"An Adventure in Chinese Song and Dance" presented by the Youth Goodwill Mission from Taiwan

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"An Adventure in Chinese Song and Dance" will be presented by the Youth Goodwill Mission from Taiwan at 8 p.m. Thursday, October 28, in the Mandeville Center Auditorium at the University of California, San Diego.

Fourteen college students from Taiwan comprise the cast of the Youth Goodwill Mission, now in its eighth U.S. tour. With authentic instruments, costumes, music and dance, they enact scenes from Chinese history, folklore and culture.

The first part of the program titled, "On the Ancient Silk Road," shows the diversity of the peoples of ancient China. Dances of Chinese Muslims, Tibetan lamas and of elegant court ladies are performed in much the same way that they were for the silk merchants who traveled that famous trade route in the eighth century.

A panorama of folk celebrations and religious ceremonies is presented in the second part of "An Adventure in Chinese Song and Dance." Dragon dances, lion dances and Chinese boxing and acrobatics are performed, as well as a composite of the dances of Taiwan's nine aboriginal tribes.

The final segment of the program, "From Traditional to Modern," presents new dances in the old framework. "Circling in Time" and "Songs of Youth" are two dances which combine ancient themes with contemporary techniques.

Tickets are available in person from the UCSD Central Box Office and San Diego State University's International Student Office. For ticket information, phone the UCSD Central Box Office at (714) 452-4559. Tickets are \$4 for the general public, \$3 for students and seniors. All seating is reserved.

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