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Alameda County and BART Celebrate 2016 Lunar New Year “Year of the Monkey”



Caption: More than 600 school children enjoyed the lion dance at the 2015 Lunar New Year celebration on March 4, 2015 at the Lake Merritt BART station plaza.

Oakland, CA - On February 9, 2016 Alameda County Supervisor Keith Carson, the San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit (BART) and the Asian Community Collaborative will host the 11th Annual Lunar New Year celebration which will be held at the Lincoln Neighborhood Center. Last year, this free event drew over 600 elementary students from Alameda and Contra Costa County school districts. Also in attendance were employees from the County of Alameda and BART, as well as members of the community. In the spirit of unity, we have created a cultural program that reflects the different Asian Asian-American Pacific Islander communities that coexist in the Bay Area.

- WHAT:** 2016 Lunar New Year Celebration
- WHEN:** Tuesday, February 9, 2016; 10:30am – 1:00pm
- WHERE:** Lincoln Neighborhood Center, 250-10th Street, Oakland, CA
- WHO:** Entertainment will include lion dancing, a Kung Fu exhibition, Korean singing, magic performance, cultural dancing and more.

2016 is the “Year of the Monkey,” and according to Chinese Horoscope: the characteristics of people born in the Year of the Monkey are curiosity, mischievousness, and cleverness. When it comes to work, the Monkey can do just about anything; they adapt well to changing environment and they are intelligent.

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