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**CHINESE NEW YEAR - YEAR OF THE TIGER - FEBRUARY 14 -28
LAN SU CHINESE GARDEN STAGES A TWO WEEK FESTIVAL**

*Tiger Years- 1926, 1938, 1950, 1962, 1974, 1986, 2010
Tiger personality traits- sensitive, passionate & daring*

Lan Su Garden turns ten this year; the auspicious Year of the Tiger. The Garden's year-long celebration includes a firecracker of a Chinese New Year celebration.

The most colorful, sensational and joyous of all Chinese festivals Lan Su's annual celebration for families and children roars with lion and dragon dances, glows with lanterns and entertains with cultural activities, dances and demonstrations. Throughout the festival, all visitors receive a red envelope (*hong bao*) symbolizing good luck for the coming year. The two week schedule of events and more information is found at www.lansugarden.org. All activities and events are free with Garden admission

Demonstrations include Chinese yo-yo, tai chi fan and sword dancing, Chinese paper cutting and narcissus bulb carving. Interactive activities offer red lantern making, tiger mask coloring, zodiac bookmark stamping, storytelling, tai chi, mahjong and more. Lectures on Feng Shui, Oriental Medicine and the scholarly arts of calligraphy and poetry afford insights into the symbolism and history of Lunar New Year.

Lion Dances, the most colorful and loud of New Year activities, will be performed at noon, 1pm, 2pm and 3pm each weekend day.

Traditional Lantern Viewing closes the festival Sunday, February 28, 6pm to 8pm, when the Garden glows with hanging red lanterns and the lake reflects hundreds of floating lanterns.

Hours: 10am to 5pm daily. 6:00-8:00pm for lantern viewing 2/28. Location: 239 NW Everett St., Portland 97209. Admission: \$8.50 general with reduced rates for students, seniors & a special family rate. Access: Walk from downtown core. Close to all MAX lines & bus mall. Plenty of on-street parking. Amenities: Authentic Teahouse & Garden Shop

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