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MAGICAL LANTERN VIEWING CLOSSES CHINESE NEW YEAR

Sunday, February 28 -6pm to 8pm

Dragon Dance & Lantern Procession at 7pm

Separate Ticketed Event @ Regular Admission Rates

TICKETS LIMITED BUY AHEAD ON-LINE

It is traditional in Chinese communities to close the two weeks of Chinese New Year revelry with viewing lanterns or attending a lantern festival. The origins of this tradition are unknown, but since its inception lanterns were hung to usher in light, warmth and in hope of spring rains. By 600 A.D. the Lantern Festival had become a three day holiday with dazzling arrays of lanterns of all shapes and sizes.

- **At 6pm on Sunday, February 28 Lan Su Chinese Garden opens its gates to visitors to enjoy Garden structures hung with 100 red lanterns and Lake Zither afloat with 200 lotus lanterns. An installation, by HiiH Gallery, of contemporary lanterns hangs in the Scholar's Hall.**
- **At 7pm a spectacular Dragon Dance by Lee's Association Lion Dance team performs along with staff from HiiH Gallery's procession of lanterns.**
- **The authentic Teahouse is open for tea and snacks.**

SEPARATE TICKETED EVENT -CAPACITY IS LIMITED- BUY TICKETS AHEAD

Go to www.lansugarden.org for tickets and more information

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Garden admission: \$8.50 General, \$7.50 Senior, \$6.50 Student, \$25 Family Pass, Free for children under 5. Garden location: 239 NW Everett Street, Portland 97209.

Access: Walk from downtown. Close to all MAX lines & bus mall. Plenty of on-street parking. Amenities: Authentic Teahouse (no reservations) & Garden Shop