

Clearwisdom Review

An Update on Falun Dafa Worldwide

VOLUME 2 ISSUE 10 MARCH 10, 2007

Italian Newspaper Reports on NTDV Chinese New Year Spectacular

(Clearwisdom.net) On February 20, 2007, Italy's largest daily newspaper, *Corriere della Sera* carried a half-page article with photos, written by its correspondent in New York, Alessandra Farkas, about the NTDV Chinese New Year spectacular. The show is being performed in about thirty major cities worldwide, including New York, Vancouver, Paris, Sydney, and Berlin.



Musical cinese in Usa, Pechino protesta
Sfarzoso varietà, tra canti e balli la denuncia delle persecuzioni di regime

Article in Italy's largest newspaper, Corriere della Sera, about NTDV's New Year Spectacular and the CCP's attempted interference with the show.

La difesa della religione proibita Falun Gong provoca le contestazioni

Il problema della difesa della religione proibita Falun Gong provoca le contestazioni

The article reported that the Spectacular, with a live orchestra of forty-five musicians and over one hundred and fifty dancers, singers and actors, is magnificent. The actors and actresses, in splendid ancient Chinese costumes, performed before exquisite stage backdrops showing a Buddhist temple, the Great Wall and the great Mongolian plains. The show displays China's five-thousand-year history and civilization. Behind the magnificent show, a strong message was communicated: The Chinese Communist regime's persecution against Falun Gong should end. In one dance scene, a group of Chinese policemen relentlessly torture a Falun Gong practitioner to death (see photo, above). Another dance entitled, "Candlelight Vigil" was dedicated to all the children who were orphaned because their parents practiced Falun Gong and died in the persecution.

According to *The Epoch Times* newspaper in the United States, in order to interfere with the show, the Chinese Communist Party (CCP) had mobilized numerous people to dial the hotline of the booking office at New York's Radio City Music Hall, trying to paralyze the system. Last week, the South Korean media harshly criticized their government for its decision to cancel the show in Seoul owing to the Chinese Communist regime's threat of taking action against South Korea's economic interests.

Though the CCP has striven to block the show, their efforts have instead created the opposite effect. In a short span of only four years, the Chinese New Year Spectacular has transformed from a little known music and dance show viewed only by a small number of Chinese-Americans, into a popular spectacular with tickets priced up to US\$180.

Introduction to Falun Dafa

Falun Dafa, also known as Falun Gong, is a practice for benefiting physical health and elevating the mind. Introduced by Mr. Li Hongzhi in China, the practice consists of five gentle exercises including meditation, and diligent effort on the part of practitioners to follow the universal principles of Truthfulness-Compassion-Forbearance in daily life. Falun Gong is not only beneficial to one's own health and well-being, it also benefits others. Although the practice originated in China, today it is practiced throughout the world by people of all races and walks of life. In the face of the most brutal and vicious persecution perpetrated on them by the Chinese Communist Party, Falun Gong practitioners have found the spiritual strength to resist peacefully and tirelessly by upholding the principles of Truthfulness-Compassion-Forbearance.



About Clearwisdom

Clearwisdom.net is the most authoritative source of information about the practice of Falun Gong and about the persecution of Falun Gong in China, reporting timely news and events happening inside China as well as from the more than 70 countries around the world where Falun Gong is practiced. Clearwisdom responsibly publishes the experiences and understandings of practitioners themselves, who submit the majority of the articles.

Ms. Xu Hongmei and Ms. Shen Zili Tortured to Death in Qiqihar City, Heilongjiang Province

(Clearwisdom.net) At around 4:00 p.m., on January 13, 2007, when Ms. Shen Zili and Ms. Xu Hongmei from Qiqihar City, Heilongjiang Province, arrived at their residence, a group of policemen suddenly broke in and illegally arrested them and forcefully took them to the Qingyun Street Police Station. Policeman Yi Zhanhui tied Ms. Xu to a bed with her legs and arms stretched far apart. He also hung her upside down four times, and upright once. When Ms. Xu shouted, "Falun Dafa is good!" the policemen beat her until she lost consciousness. Yi Zhanhui then locked her in a metal cage. A policeman tied Ms. Shen Zili to a chair with adhesive tape and knocked her head against the wall until she lost consciousness. They continued beating her after she regained consciousness.

On February 17, 2007, Ms. Xu and Ms. Shen were taken to the Internal Medicine Department of the Qiqihar City Second Hospital. They had been tortured for five days by Yi and others from the Qingyun Street Station. They both had lost consciousness and could not eat; they were coughing up blood and twitching. Their entire bodies were swollen. Ms. Xu Hongmei died at 4:30 p.m., on February 27, 2007, at age 37. Ms. Shen Zili died at 8:50 p.m. on the same day, at 49 years old.



Ms. Xu Hongmei



Ms. Shen Zili

Practitioners Promote Falun Gong in Southern Australia

(Clearwisdom.net) A Chinese New Year Celebration was held in Chinatown in Adelaide, South Australia, on February 24. Falun Gong practitioners participated in the celebration and spread the benefits of Falun Dafa to Chinese and Australians.

The Falun Gong booth was decorated with bright colors and looked harmonious. Practitioners in golden exercise suits demonstrated the Falun Gong exercise movements. Some of them distributed fliers and paper lotus flowers. Some answered questions. A video about Falun Gong and the persecution in China was played at the booth and attracted many people.



Many students from China were surprised to see the Falun Dafa booth. They were pleased to accept fliers with information about Falun Gong, asked questions

about Falun Gong and watched the practitioners. Many took pictures of the peaceful scene.

Cancer Is Eliminated After Practicing Falun Gong

(Clearwisdom.net) In May 2005, Mr. Zhang Haofu was diagnosed with late stage liver cancer and was told he only had two months left to live. The hospital sent him home. His wife, a Falun Dafa practitioner, told him that only Dafa could save him. He took her advice and immediately began to study the teachings and do the exercises.

Mr. Zhang Haofu has been supportive of his wife's learning Dafa. This laid a very good foundation for him to obtain Dafa. As a Dafa practitioner, he devoted his full body and mind and all his time to learning the teachings and doing the exercises. He used to like to watch television. His son had recently bought him a new television with a video player and some videos, which he used to love to watch. However, after learning Dafa he gave up this habit.

Gradually, Mr. Zhang became stronger and stronger. By October he could climb hills and pick up hay bales. He said to his wife; "Falun Dafa gave me my second life. I certainly have to tell the people of the world that because I practice Falun Dafa, I have gained a second life."