



CHINESE NEW YEAR BANQUET AT CHINATOWN BRASSERIE

Dear Members:

Event Co-Chairs, Ira Greene and Todd Raymond, welcome you and your guests to celebrate Chinese New Year with them, as we return after several years to the wonderful Chinatown Brasserie, the most popular venue for our annual Chinese New Year banquet. Come celebrate the Year of the Dragon with us. The chef, Joe Ng, has been acclaimed both in the US and China for his inventive and delicious dim sum.

We will be dining in Chinatown Brasserie's beautiful private dining area, the Koi Lounge, which comes complete with landscape sculptures imported from China and a pond, filled with lily pads and a school of picturesque and gently gliding koi.

The banquet will feature seven different outstanding dim sum as well as dishes created especially for the New Year's celebration. The tentative menu includes Green Curry Lobster Roll with Tempura Claws, seared Scallop on a shell with Black Bean Sauce and Mint, crispy Mango and Shrimp Rolls, Baby Bok Choy and Shitake Mushroom Dumplings, Chicken, Shrimp and Bacon Lollipops, Watercress Dumplings with Pork and Shrimp, Szechuan Chicken and Bok Choy Dumplings in "five sauce," Peking Duck, steamed Conch Soup with Prosciutto and Chinese Herbs, Kabocha with Roast Pork and Capon, Dragon Shrimp, Wok Fried Chinese Broccoli and eFu Longevity Noodles. Desserts will include chef Ng's delicious warm Custard Bao, Black Sesame Truffles and Coconut Rice Cakes.

As we have done for several years, we are once again making this year's dinner a BYOB. We are asking that each member and guest bring a bottle of wine to compliment your Chinese dinner. For example, if you prefer a white, you could bring a Riesling, Gewurztraminer, Chardonnay or Sauvignon Blanc. Red alternatives could include a Zinfandel, Pinot noir, Cabernet Sauvignon, Syrah or a Bordeaux blend. Sharing of wines is certainly permitted and encouraged.

We would like to thank Ira Greene and Todd Raymond for organizing this event. The Society's Chinese New Year's dinners are always popular and we anticipate this being

one of our best. The Koi Lounge can seat 70 people. We should have sufficient room for your friends and we encourage you to bring guests.

We look forward to seeing you on February 7. Please sign up on our website at www.wfsny.org.

Sincerely,

Greg Hurst	Chris Ankner
President	President

Date: Tuesday, February 7, 2012

Time: Reception at 6:30 pm; Dinner at 7:00 pm

Location: Chinatown Brasserie, 380 Lafayette St. (between E. Fourth and Great Jones – E. Third Streets)

Dress: Business casual (Jacket required; tie optional)

Contribution: Members: \$160; Guests: \$175

Special Reminder: Please bring one bottle of wine per person to enjoy and share.