



# Tranquil Notes

July 2014

## WELCOME NOTE

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June and July are busy months, filled with lectures, performances, and rehearsals. Our members are practicing tirelessly to prepare for our first student recital, *Resonant Strings 2014* (for more information please check the event notes). We hope you can join us and support the students and members of Tranquil Resonance Studio as they share their passion for the music of the guqin and guzheng.

Our director, David Wong, will be participating again in this year's Yachats Music Festival and will also be giving a seminar on the music of the guqin and guzheng.

On June 23, 2014 David was invited onto Sing Tao Radio to be interviewed by Juliana Tzeng. They discussed the history and culture of the guqin and David played 关山月 *Moon over the Mountain Pass* and 酒狂 *Drunken Song*.



You can watch the interview by going to the Sing Tao TV website.

<http://www.singtao.tv/?p=17777>

## EVENT NOTE

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### Flourishing Oasis Presents “Where Will Tea Take You?”



Immerse yourself in a delectable Soucial Tea Gathering surrounded by warm fragrance, and sweetened by soothing melodies of Guqin\*.

Come enjoy each other's company as you sip and savor the ancient wisdom of healing teas, handmade Malaysian delicacies and music.

*\*Guqin is a classical Chinese zither instrument*

#### **Tea Experience**

Gongfu Cha Ceremony  
Soothing Herbal Blend  
Revitalizing Herbal Blend

#### **Tea Menu**

Amber Blossom (Goji Berry Seaweed Gelatin)  
Hidden Delights (Malaysian Mochi)  
Radish Rice Cake

Sat Jul 19  
@ 5-6:30P.M

Cost: \$35 per person, \$30 each for 2 or more  
RSVP: <http://wherewillteatakeyou2014.eventbrite.com/> or email  
flourishingoasis@gmail.com

Facebook page: [www.facebook.com/flourishingoasis](http://www.facebook.com/flourishingoasis)  
Number: (925)338-9739

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### **Yachats Music Festival**

**Concerts – Thursday, July 10 to Sunday, July 13, 2014**

- **Friday**, July 11 – 8:00 PM
- **Saturday**, July 12 – 8:00 PM
- **Sunday**, July 13 – 2:00 PM
- **Sunday**, July 13 – 8:00 PM

**A Thursday evening reception with Patrons and Artists opens the Festival. Festival Patrons (\$140.00) and Members (\$85.00) enjoy all four concerts and day-time seminars as follows:**

- “Paul Robeson, Renaissance Man” – by Autris Paige, Baritone
- “The Violin and the Viola: – by Anyango Yarbo-Davenport, Violinist and Ayn Balija, Violist
- “Town and Country: Traditional Chinese music of the Guqin and the Guzheng” – David Wong, Guqin and Guzheng player

<http://fsarts.org/yachats-music-festival/>

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#### **"Guqin: Ancient Music of the Chinese Literati"**

Date/Time: Saturday 9/20/2014, 1pm  
Location: Fremont Main Library  
2400 Stevenson Blvd  
Fremont, CA 94538

#### **FREE ADMISSION**

One of China's oldest string instruments, the guqin has long been associated with the ancient scholars. The music of the qin would have been heard in the literati studios, Buddhist monasteries, and Taoist temples, inspiring mental cultivation and spiritual meditation. The guqin expresses the inner ideas and emotions of the musician, with pieces that paint vivid landscapes and the beauty of nature. Poems and philosophical ideals can also be heard through the seven strings of the guqin as well as regional differences that developed throughout Chinese history. The music of the qin connects past and present and gives us a glimpse into the life of the ancient Chinese scholar!





Tranquil Resonance Studio

*Presents*

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2014

RESONANT STRINGS

師生音樂會

*Student Recital*

*Come enjoy an afternoon of Guqin and Guzheng music*

Saturday, August 9, 2014

3:00pm

**Berkeley Buddhist Monastery**

2304 McKinley Ave, Berkeley, CA 94703

**Free Admission** -Donations welcome

*For more info contact 415-829-2234*

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