

**New Jersey Chinese Cultural Studies Foundation &  
Asian Studies Program, Department of Languages, Literatures, and Cultures, Seton Hall University  
Co-host the 12<sup>th</sup> Chinese Cultural Project Contest**

**Topic: "How Do Chinese and American Music Reflect Differences Between the Two Cultures"**

**1<sup>st</sup> Place: \$1,000**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Place: \$600**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Place: \$300**

**Objective of the contest:** To promote the understanding and appreciation of Chinese culture and heritage.

**Contestant eligibility:** Any high school student teams who are studying full time at an accredited New Jersey high school and are in grades 9 through 12. A team must have at least 2 members but not more than 5 members.

**Project format:**

- Research-type, team project based on history and facts and can be presented in any format, e.g. recital, debate, video, slides, drama, poster or a combination thereof. Your own evidence-based conclusions are most important. Evidence collected through primary research is preferred.
- Submission could be in English or Chinese, or a combination of both.
- Faculty advisors are permitted, but the students must conduct the research and do the presentation.
- Finalists will be invited to present their work to a panel of judges.

**Timeline:**

- **January 1, 2018 to February 18, 2018 - Submission of application**  
All applicants are required to e-mail the following information to [njccsf@gmail.com](mailto:njccsf@gmail.com).  
A) Names of students, grades/years, high school.  
B) Contact information of the team leader such as address, e-mail and telephone number.  
C) An abstract (two pages maximum) on how you plan to conduct your research and present your conclusions.
- **On or before March 11, 2018 - Submission of project (rubric attached for your information)**  
Information on submission will be provided upon acceptance of application.
- **April 2, 2018 – Notification to finalists for presentation**
- **April 14, 2018 – Finalists to submit complete presentation to NJCCSF**
- **April 21, 2018, Saturday (9:00am-2:00pm) – Seton Hall University Finalists Presentations & Awards Ceremony**  
- 12-minute presentation in English, Chinese or combination of both.  
- Judges may ask questions.

**Panel of Judges:**

Dr. Richard Simmons	Rutgers University	Professor & Head Judge
Dr. Edwin Leung	Seton Hall University	Professor
Ms. Jenny Yan Qin	Verona Public School	Chinese Teacher
Ms. Shing Yang Wang	Union City High School	Chinese Teacher
Ms. Peisong Xu	Yale University	Senior Lector

**Inquiry:**

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**Declaration:** The applicants agree to display their work on NJCCSF's printed material and website and authorize NJCCSF to distribute their work to other media, including other web sites, at its discretion. Applicants further agree that if their assistants appear on stage, they are covered by this declaration.