

The 8th Palmetto Chinese Star Contest of Chinese Language & Culture








1:00pm-5:30pm, March 25(Saturday), 2017

Lumpkin Auditorium

the Close Hipp Building, 1705 College St, Columbia SC 29208

Co-sponsored by Confucius Institutes at USC & Presbyterian College

-  **Eligibility:** All persons whose first language is not Chinese, currently enrolled in a school in SC state. (Contenders are allowed to compete in groups but each group should not exceed three participants.)
-  **Competition Levels:** K-12 level & College level
-  **Categories:** Language Proficiency (speech or presentation on a certain topic) and Cultural Performance (vocal and instrumental music, poem recital, martial arts, calligraphy, taichi, etc.). Contenders may choose either or both categories.
-  **Competition duration:** Each contender is given five minutes in each category.
-  **Prizes:** In each level at each category, there are 1st, 2nd, and 3rd prizes . The winner on both categories of K-12 level will be awarded the title of *Palmetto Future Chinese Star*. The Grand Prize *Palmetto Chinese Star* is a winner on both categories of college level, who is eligible to participate in the US final in Washington, DC. Winners at the US final will be invited to China for the global contest. Expenses incurred by the national and global contests will be covered.

Please fill and send the attached registration form or any questions related to the contest to Mr. Tiejun Zhang
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Registration deadline: March 1, 2017