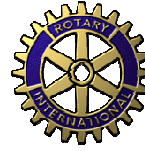


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Zheng Performance by Yi-Chieh LAI **and Cultural Presentation by** **Group Study Exchange Team*** **Rotary District 3460 Taiwan**

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Time: 7:00 PM

Location: The Little Theatre
Shenendehowa High School East

Yi-Chieh LAI is a Taiwanese native who began studying zheng when being a child. From 1998 to 2002, she majored in zheng at National Taiwan University of Arts from which she received her bachelor degree. Besides, Lai also put her footstep on mainland China to study zheng. She got M.A. degree in musicology at Taipei National University of the Arts in 2008. In her performances, Lai pays special attention to the subtleties and tensions created through exploring the zheng's timbres. With superb technique Lai blends the traditional with the contemporary building upon the articulations and gestures contained in the music. Lai has devoted herself to expanding the zheng's repertoire and techniques through working with contemporary composers and performers. As a soloist and a member of the China Found Music Workshop (2002-2005) and the Asian zither ensemble IIIZ+ (2006-), Lai has been invited to perform in Taiwan, Japan, Korea, America, Germany and France.

*The Group Study Exchange (GSE) Program is one of Rotary International's global programs. The program provides a unique cultural and vocational exchange opportunity for young business and professional men and women in the initial years of their professional life. Teams of young professionals from two different countries exchange visits. For four to six weeks, team members experience the way of life, customs, and vocational practices of another country, while sharing information about their homeland. For more information visit www.rotary.org or call Ellen Schaefer, GSE Chair, District 7190 at 518-371-0364.