

New China Festival Starts August 4th!
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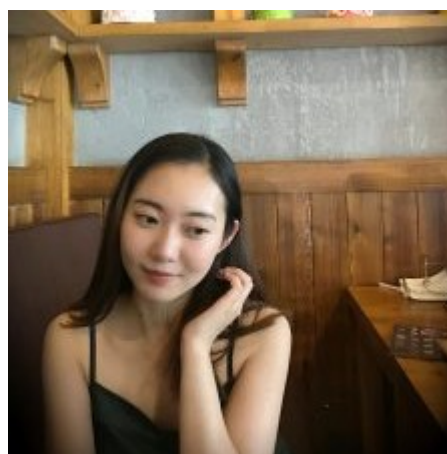
Don't miss *Speaking as Then* this weekend!



Speaking as Then - Playing this weekend!
by Ruoxin Xu
[August 4th and 5th at 4pm](#)

On the eve of Chinese New Year, Dan is finally returning to China after several years in the U.S. But before the Tang family can celebrate a reunion, they must first confront their national, cultural, and political differences if they are to understand why Dan is really back—and why he immigrated to America in the first place.

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Other New China Festival Events:

Silk Road Salon

The Silk Road Salon is your chance to mingle with playwright and New China Festival curator David Henry Hwang. Participate in a discussion between Jamil and David about challenges and rewards of creating theatre in China.

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Dialogue & Rebuttal
by Gao Xingjian

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Two strangers find themselves stranded outside of both time and place and with only each other for company. Consumed by their personal loneliness, neither is able to truly listen to what the other has to say. Trapped in the existential crisis that follows a hook-up, their frustrations begin leading them down a path of mutual self-destruction.

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Sand on a Distant Star

by Stan Lai

Translated by Stan Lai with assistance by Tian Hongyi

[August 18th and 19th at 4pm](#)

Nightingale's husband has been missing for nearly two decades. She's convinced that he was abducted by aliens and will return on the twentieth anniversary of his disappearance. As Nightingale grows increasingly invested in her fantasies, her daughter and colleague grapple with an unsettling possibility: What if her husband doesn't come back?

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