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## Empire City Casino Celebrates “Year of the Rooster” on Sunday, February 12 Chinese Lunar New Year Festivities Include Lion Dance Performances & Concert

**Yonkers, New York** - It’s the “**Year of the Rooster,**” and **Empire City Casino** will put forth a traditional Chinese New Year Festival on **Sunday, February 12** with a lion dance parade and live musical entertainment. Admission is free.

The Lunar New Year celebration will be complete with Chinese dancers and musicians in colorful costumes. First, the “Fortune God” will lead two lion dancers throughout the casino’s first and second floors, starting at the Valet Entrance, from **2:00 to 3:00 pm**. The Fortune God, signifying wealth and prosperity, and the lion dance are important pieces of the fabric of Chinese tradition and culture, particularly during the celebration of the New Year.

The festivities will continue from **3:00 to 5:00 pm** with a Golden Rooster Chinese New Year Concert in the **Entertainment Lounge**. Presented by Jam Promotions, the performers will include **The Ram, Chelsea, Andy, Nana, Angela, Eys, and Mina**.

### ***About the Year of the Rooster:***

Occupying the 10th position in the Chinese Zodiac, the Rooster symbolizes such character traits as confidence, pompousness and motivation. Those born under the Chinese Zodiac sign of the Rooster are known to be loyal, trustworthy individuals who are blunt when it comes to offering their opinions. Their bluntness stems not from being mean but from being honest; a trait which Roosters expect from others. Roosters are extremely sociable and prefer being the center of attention, often bragging about themselves and their accomplishments. They are known to seek the unwavering attention of others, which some consider to be annoying. Roosters are as proud of their homes as they are of themselves. They’re extremely organized individuals as evidenced by the fact that their homes are always neat.



***About Empire City Casino at Yonkers Raceway:***

Empire City Casino is one of the largest entertainment and gaming destinations in the northeast. Featuring 5,300 of the hottest slots, electronic craps, three card poker, blackjack, roulette, baccarat and sic bo, Empire City Casino also offers guests year-round harness racing and International simulcasting, live entertainment including the best party, tribute and Latin bands, comedy, New York's hottest DJ's, and more. A plethora of dining options will satisfy even the most discerning palate with Italian cuisine at Nonno's Trattoria; Dan Rooney's, a high-energy sports bar; Alley 810, a craft cocktail lounge with retro bowling lanes; and convenient delicious options at the International Food Court or Lil' Cocina. Visit Empire City Casino at Yonkers Raceway located at 810 Yonkers Avenue (off I-87 at Central Avenue) Yonkers, NY, Westchester County, open seven days a week from 10:00am to 6:00am. Visit [www.empirecitycasino.com](http://www.empirecitycasino.com) or call 914.968.4200 for information.

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