

THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR OF ONTARIO LA LIEUTENANTE-GOUVERNEURE DE L'ONTARIO

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I happily welcome all to the 2022 season of Shen Yun!

Inspired by over 5,000 years of traditional Chinese culture, this esteemed cultural institution has resonated with audiences around the globe and has —quite simply— brought people closer together. Such efforts are more important than ever in these rapidly changing and uncertain times. Indeed, the COVID-19 pandemic has underlined just how much we rely upon the arts to build empathy and understanding — key ingredients in an inclusive and successful recovery.

I thank the Falun Dafa Association of Toronto and everyone in the audience for your support of today's performance, and of artistic expression more generally. And to the performers themselves, you have my warmest congratulations.

Enjoy the show!

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