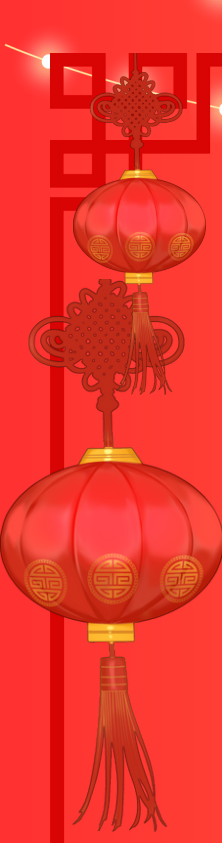


## Trang Municipality Chinese New Year and food festival of the year 2023

“Cultivate the charm of culture, way of life, and outstanding dishes of Trang Province”



Chinese New year Festival, it is the most important cultural tradition of the Chinese people. Because it is the traditional New Year's Day for the people of mainland China and Chinese people all over the world. Including Thai brothers and sisters and Chinese descent in Thailand. Thap Thiang Community is the first Chinese Thai community in Trang Province. It has been an important trading center since the past when Thais of Chinese descent settled and traded. It has sparked the prosperity of Trang since 1916 until now. Nowadays, these Chinese-Thai people have brought the Chinese New Year traditions into their lives until it is a local custom that has been passed down from generation to generation to the present. Includes, Pay Day or Tuesek is the day before the end of the year New Year's Eve or New Year's Eve Holiday or New Year's Day is the first day of the first month of the year (Chewig)

A vertical string of three red lanterns with gold tassels and decorative patterns, hanging from the top left corner of the page.

**Thai people of Chinese descent will decorate their homes to be beautiful, full of stuff , red, including red lantern decorations which is a symbol of good fortune that Chinese people like to hang and decorate during the Chinese New Year. The red lantern is like a light for human beings, leading the holy ones to see the house where the Chinese lanterns are hung first and help people in the house to be happy, prosperous, wealthy and also means bright light and there is a gathering of relatives within the family and have a happy new year auspicious food, red envelope distribution to children and relatives, take the family on vacation, including the arrangement of a table to receive the god of fortune, the god Caixing, and paying homage to the ancestors.**

**This is a tradition that Chinese descendants practice and inherit for a long time. There are firecrackers, lion and dragon dances. The Chinese New Year is a festival of happiness that Thai people of Chinese descent value the most. It is a tradition of Thai people of Chinese descent. that should be promoted and preserved. It also promotes the family institution as well.**





# The auspicious meaning of worshipping

- **Wheat flour means prosperous.**
- **Buns/Mantou means good luck**
- **Khanom Khai means growth.**
- **Fluffy desserts mean increasing prosperous.**
- **Khanom Jan Ab means happiness forever.**
- **Candle dessert means prosperity.**
- **Khanom Kheng means sweet love.**
- **Banana means lucky charm.**
- **Golden orange means good luck.**
- **Grape means increasing money.**
- **Pineapple means to call luck.**
- **Apple means peace.**
- **Barley means money flowing.**
- **Rooster means career advancement.**
- **Duck means surplus.**
- **Pig means fertility.**
- **Mee Sua means longevity.**
- **Lotus seed means having many sons.**
- **Cut nuts refer to silver ingots.**
- **Black seaweed means wealthy.**
- **Bamboo shoots mean wealth and happiness.**



On January 20, 2023 at the center stage in front of the Trang Municipality Office (Clock tower area) Wisetkul Road, Mueang Trang District, Mr. Khajornsak Charoensopha, Governor of Trang Province Presided over the opening ceremony "Chinese New Year Nakorn Trang and the Food Festival" for the year 2023 with Mr. Sanya Srivichian, Mayor of Trang Municipality, Ms. Supakit Kliangsong, commercial officer of Trang Province along with heads of government agencies, head of agency, President of the Chinese Association of Trang Province, executives of private organizations, the people of Trang participated in the activities and Food Festival 2023 between 20 - 22 January 2023

For this event, Trang Provincial Commercial Office has integrated the event with the Trang Municipality By bringing entrepreneurs, shops, restaurants and food menus that are outstanding products of Trang Province to sell to the public and tourists. To jointly stimulate the economy and promote tourism, which shows the charm of culture, way of life and outstanding food of Trang Province as well

