

Celebrating the Lunar New Year of the Rabbit with China General Chamber of Commerce – USA



On Wednesday, January 18, 2023, China General Chamber of Commerce – USA (CGCC) and CGCC Foundation, the largest and most impactful non-profit, non-governmental, non-partisan organization representing Chinese investments in the United States, hosted the 2023 Lunar New Year of the Rabbit Gala at Cipriani 42nd St in Manhattan. With the Gala theme of “**Reflection and Appreciation, Respect and Resilience**” close to heart, the gala gathered about 400 representatives from the U.S. and Chinese business communities to celebrate influential leaders and companies in recognition of their cross-border cooperation and contributions to local communities.

About CGCC

Founded in 2005, China General Chamber of Commerce - USA (“CGCC”) has been recognized as the largest and most impactful non-profit organization representing Chinese enterprises in the U.S. As an independent, non-partisan, non-governmental chamber of commerce, CGCC provides a broad range of programs, services, and resources to over a thousand multinational members across the U.S., with a mission to create value, generate economic growth, and enhance cooperation between the U.S. and Chinese business communities.

About CGCC Foundation

Established in 2014, CGCC Foundation is a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt organization. The mission of CGCC Foundation is to deepen mutual understanding and cooperation between the United States and China through research, public charity and engagement in economic, cultural and social exchanges.

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CGCC 2023 Gala Honorees

Lifetime Achievement Award: Dr. Henry A. Kissinger

The inaugural Lifetime Achievement Award was presented to Dr. Henry A. Kissinger in recognition of his achievements as a trailblazer and lifelong contributor to U.S.-China relations.



Outstanding Community Contribution Award: SCG America Group Inc. (SCGA)

The Outstanding Community Contribution Award was presented to SCG America Group Inc. (SCGA) for its role as a longstanding and impactful contributor to the prosperity of local communities.



Reflection and Appreciation, Respect and Resilience

CGCC 2023 Gala Highlights

Kathy Hochul, the 57th and first female Governor of New York State, introduced by Marc Holliday, Chairman and CEO of SL Green Realty Corp, delivered special remarks during the event. ¹

Governor Hochul presented an official “Lunar New Year” proclamation to Wei HU, Chairman of CGCC, President and CEO of Bank of China U.S.A., in recognition of the Chamber’s longstanding contributions to this vision. ¹

In the opening remarks, Chairman Wei HU reflected on the achievements of CGCC-USA through the years and highlighted its integral role in the growth and development of U.S.-China relations. ¹

Xueyuan XU, Chargé d’Affaires, Deputy Chief of Mission and Minister, Embassy of the People’s Republic of China, delivered a keynote speech at the event. ²

This year, CGCC honored Dr. Henry A. Kissinger with the inaugural Lifetime Achievement Award in recognition of his outstanding achievements as a pioneer and lifelong contributor to U.S.-China relations. Raj Subramaniam, President & CEO of FedEx, introduced this award, paid tribute to Dr. Kissinger and extended heartfelt congratulations. ³

In the Appreciation Remarks, Ning YUAN, Vice-Chair of CGCC, Chairman & President of China Construction America recalled the history of CGCC’s Annual Gala, which first took place in 2011 to applaud the business community’s resilience and growth during difficult times. ⁴

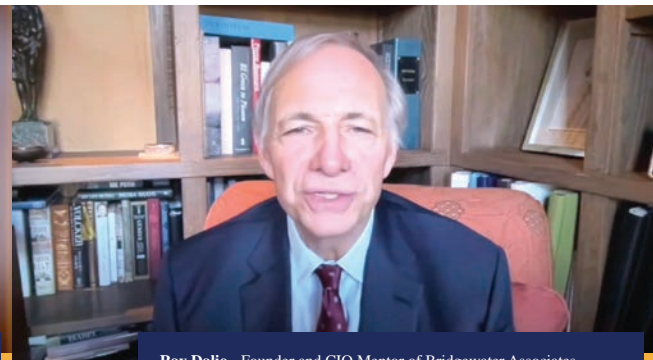




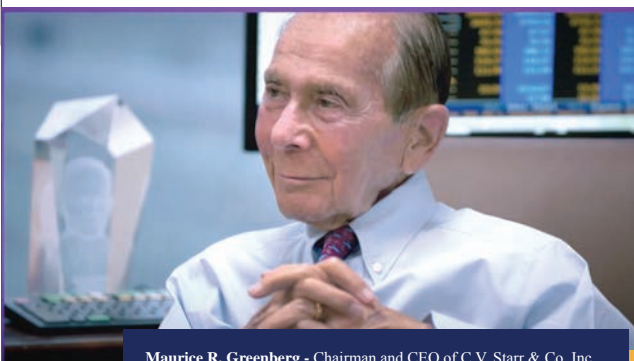
Tiankai CUI - Former Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the People's Republic of China to the United States of America



CHO Tak Wong - Chairman of the Board of Directors of Fuyao Group



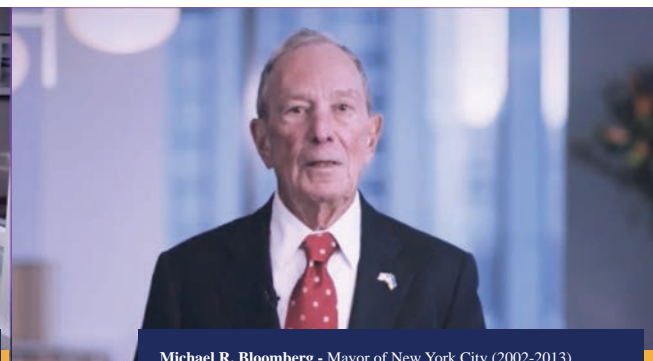
Ray Dalio - Founder and CIO Mentor of Bridgewater Associates



Maurice R. Greenberg - Chairman and CEO of C.V. Starr & Co. Inc.



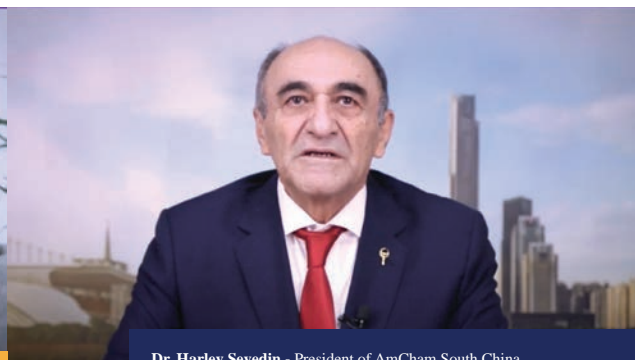
Marc Allen - Chief Strategy Officer and Senior Vice President of Strategy and Corporate Development of The Boeing Company



Michael R. Bloomberg - Mayor of New York City (2002-2013)



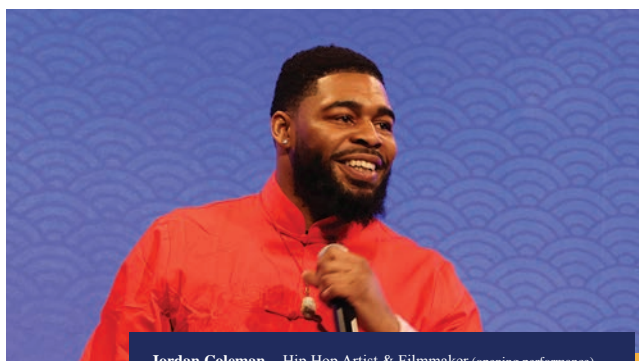
David Beckham - President and Co-Owner of Inter Miami CF



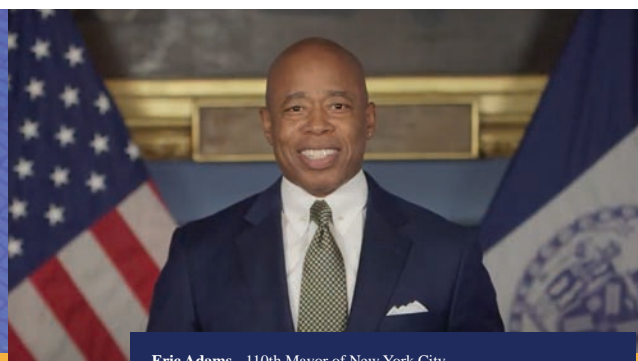
Dr. Harley Seyedin - President of AmCham South China



Michael Hart - President of AmCham China



Jordan Coleman - Hip Hop Artist & Filmmaker (opening performance)



Eric Adams - 110th Mayor of New York City

Eric Adams, Mayor of New York City, delivered virtual closing remarks, a hopeful message about the recovery of New York City and the world's business communities and wishing all peace and prosperity in the Year of the Rabbit. The Mayor's closing remarks were introduced by Jeff T. Blau, CEO of Related Companies.

As we enter this Year of the Rabbit – representing kindness and agility – CGCC will continue to create value, promote economic collaboration, and enhance cooperation between the U.S. and Chinese business communities. CGCC wishes you all a happy, healthy and prosperous year in 2023! We hope to see you soon at our upcoming 2024 Year of the Dragon Gala!

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