

Chinese Shao-Lin Center
Shao-Lin Kung Fu, Tai Chi & Wooden Man

Presents

Zhong Kwei Summons the Bats of Wufu

Zhong Kwei Festival

Sunday, May 5, 2024

10am - 4pm

Fee: \$100

\$125 if paid after date of festival



Final 2024 China Trip Meeting

9am - 10am

Before Festival 5/5/2024

Saturday, May 4, 2024

**Black Belt Test* for 3rd to 4th thru 7th to 8th
9am - 1pm**

Senior Black Belt Panel Required

**Black Belt Test* for 1st to 2nd and 2nd to 3rd
3pm - 7pm**

Black Belt Panel Required

*** Must have all fees paid up to date to test**



Festival open to all students

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Zhong Kwei the Ghostbuster

A brief history to the very rare and exciting form: Zhong Kwei Summons the Bats of Wufu - Master Sharon

Zhong Kwei was a bright scholar who failed the imperial exams because the Emperor didn't like his looks. His eyes were too big and his hair too wild.

Full of shame and knowing that he would never have a good career - Zhong Kwei killed himself.

For this act, Zhong Kwei went to hell, the realm of the dead.

In hell Zhong was noticed by Yanluo Wang a judge in the underworld. The famous judge Yanluo had previously been visited by the ever curious 'Monkey who had proceeded to wreck havoc there.

Yanluo Wang was impressed by Zhongs' scholarly credentials so Zhong Kwei was given the title and role of Chief Ghostly Demon Killer.

Zhong Kwei carries a fan, a sword and a hidden dagger but his signature ghost demon killing techniques are to crush them with his feet and hands.

With his success in protecting both the dead and the living from evil ghosts, Zhong Kwei was elevated to a celestial deity in Taoism. His name literally means "at the crossroads is Zhong". This symbolizes his ability to control what occurs at the intersection of life and death.

Together with one of the 8 Immortals Zhang Guo Lao, the two created the balance of dark and light in the shape of two bats - an early symbol of yin and yang.

Like Zhong Kwei, bats bring protection to both the living and the dead. Bats are at the grave along with Zhong Kwei to help with the transition into the next realm. Wufu or "5 Bats" represent the Five Great Blessings - longevity, wealth, health, virtue and a peaceful death.