The Tourism Confucius Institute Welcomes the Year of the Pig in Southport's Chinatown

The Tourism Confucius Institute (TCI) at Griffith University was proud to participate in the 2019 Chinese New Year Celebration in Chinatown which was hosted by the Gold Coast City Council on 9 February 2019. There was a very large turnout, with an estimated 16,000 people attending the event. The Chinese New Year Celebration was divided into two parts: stage performances and Chinese culture workshops. The cultural activities from the Tourism Confucius Institute consisted of a bamboo flute solo, cucurbit flute solo, lantern making and calligraphy. Many residents and tourists were attracted by the colourful lanterns on our stand and wanted to make their own lantern. They also queued up at the calligraphy workshop to get their Chinese name done in calligraphy.



TCI teacher Frank Fang demonstrating Chinese lantern making for locals and visitors



TCI teacher Angela Bi writing names and blessings in Chinese calligraphy for visitors



Chinese culture enthusiasts enjoying the Lion Dancing



TCI teacher Lucy Li performing traditional Chinese flute music