A Chinese celebration

Master Malee Khow, an Eastern Connecticut State University teacher of tai chi and martial arts, performs during the university’s Chinese New Year celebration on Thursday. She is a five-time champion of martial arts in Thailand and president of the USA National Tai Chi Chuan Federation. BELOW: Four dancers perform during the celebration.

Happy New Year in China

ABOVE: Anthony Roberts, a national instructor and certified international judge of full-contact sparring, gives a broadsword demonstration at the Eastern Connecticut State University Chinese New Year celebration Thursday evening. RIGHT: Linda Clark, 3, center, and her mother Laura Clark, from Mansfield, left, were eager to give ribbon dancing a try after the professionals were finished performing.