

Alfred University musician to perform at Carnegie Hall concert

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Daisy Wu performing on the guzheng, a traditional Chinese stringed instrument

Daisy Wu, associate director of the Confucius Institute at Alfred University, and a visiting associate professor of music in the Performing Arts Division at the University, has been invited to perform at [Carnegie Hall](#), one of the most recognized music venues in the country.

Wu, who is a master of the guzheng, a traditional Chinese stringed instrument, will perform with musicians from China, Italy and the United States, in “One World Opera; A Blend Between Eastern and Western Music,” at 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 1, in Weill Recital Hall.

She was invited to participate by Jiajun Hong, the chief executive of Blossom Season International Culture Media, Inc., at the premiere of the “One World Opera.”

“Mr. Jiajun Hong and his wife Jinghan Zhang are outstanding Chinese musicians residing in New York City,” Wu explained. “When they were planning an exploration in combining Chinese traditional instrumental music with Western opera music, they saw a video of my guzheng performance,” given to them by a mutual friend. On the basis of the video, they invited Wu to join their performance.

Wu says she is excited to be joining such an august group of performers. The artistic director for the series of concerts is Italian artistic manager Virginio Fedeli, who manages famed Italian tenor Andrea Bocelli. Performing will be three “spectacular” Italian vocalists: soprano Patrizia Orciani; mezzo soprano Sandra Buongrazio and tenor Ricardo Gatto. All three have performed in major theaters in Italy and Europe, including those in Milan, Rome, Naples, Venice and Zurich. Six instrumentalists will also join the concert.

“I am so happy to work with these famous musicians from Italy, China and the U.S.,” said Wu.

