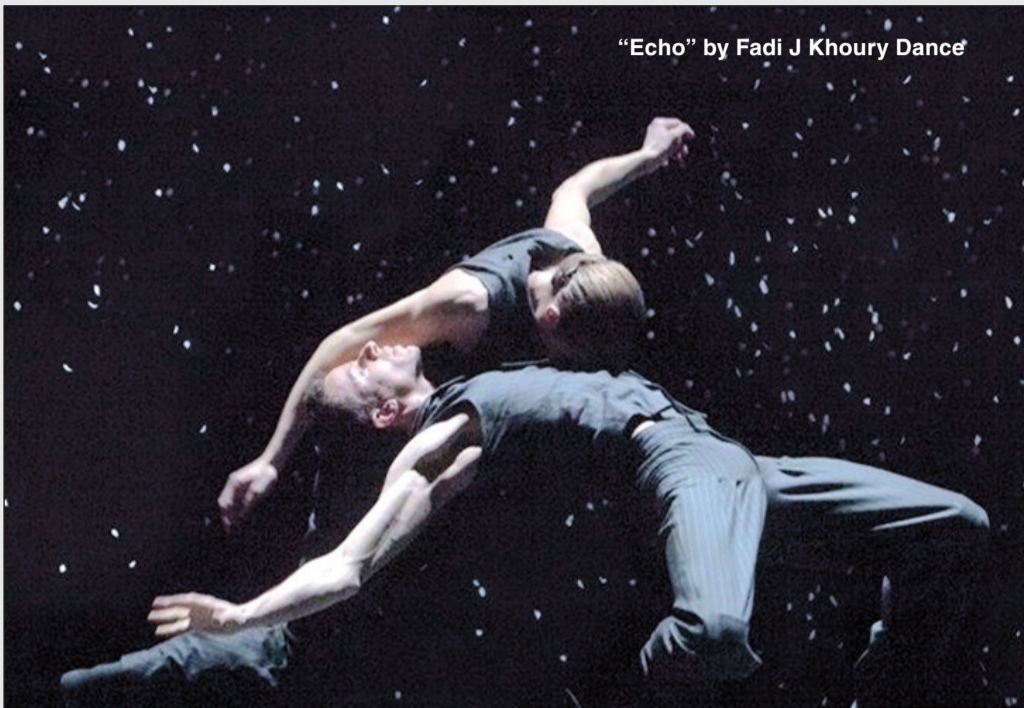




## EDITOR'S PICK

## Spring is here at Poly Grand Theater



"Echo" by Fadi J Khoury Dance

## Yu Hong

Shanghai Poly Grand Theater in Jiading District has launched its spring season with a series of performances and cultural activities.

More than 1,200 artists from 11 countries will bring 46 shows to the theater during the season.

Among them will be Arturo Sandoval, Bavarian Radio Symphony Orchestra, Vienna String Sextet, Shanghai Festival Orchestra and eight French cellists.

Performances by traditional Chinese artists will be featured, such as the Peking opera "Taking of the Tiger Mountain" and the musical "Destroying Opium in Humen." Both are classics based on historic events.

Shanghai farce "Seventy-two Tenants," which is performed in Shanghai dialect, and *xiangsheng* crosstalk shows performed in *putonghua*, brought by Deyun Crosstalk Associate, will amuse the audience with hilarious shows.



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## HIGHLIGHTS

## • Musical 'Destroying Opium in Humen'

This musical is based on a historic event at the beginning of China's modern history. In 1839, Chinese official Lin Zexu declared a smoking ban in Guangzhou. He seized opium from merchants and burnt it, causing widespread shock. Date: March 28-29, 7:30pm Tickets: 30-80 yuan

## • Dance 'Echo'

Fadi J Khoury Dance based in New York City will give a dance show in Jiading. It is part of the troupe's China tour on which it will show at 31 Poly theaters. The programs vary from classical ballet to ballroom, Middle Eastern and jazz, featuring a fusion of culture and dance. Date: March 31, 7pm Tickets: 30-80 yuan

## • Grammy Artist

Ten-time Grammy winner Arturo Sandoval will give a concert in Jiading. Sandoval, who was born in Brazil, is the most outstanding and versatile jazz trum-



Arturo Sandoval

pet player all around the world. He is also a classic musician, pianist, composer and singer. He started to play trumpet at 12 years old in Brazil. Influenced by Dizzy Gillespie, he was hooked on jazz and became popular after he went to the US. Sandoval was nominated for a Grammy 19 times, and won one 10 times. The soundtrack of "For Love or Country," which was produced by Sandoval, won him an Emmy. Date: April 10, 7:30pm Tickets: 50-580 yuan

## • Shanghai farce: 'Seventy-two Tenants'

In 1949's early spring, 72 tenants were living in a house in a Shanghai alley. They were from all walks of life, including a pancake trader, a tailor, a Ningbo laundry worker, a cigarette seller, a cobbler, a singer and a doctor. The sublessor of the house and a hoodlum bully the tenants, and stir up trouble everywhere. The tenants are very angry about what they are doing. The sublessor and the hoodlum bully see the tenants as thorns in the flesh. So they "help" the tenants to move away and enrol the police to cause trouble. Policeman San Liujiu comes to expel them and takes the opportunity for blackmail. Funny stories follow. Date: April 14, 7:30pm; April 15, 2pm Tickets: 50-380 yuan

## Poly Grand Theater

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## Exhibition

## Western Painting

Painting works, including oil painting, color pencil painting and water color painting, created by residents Xu Yanping and Huang Huan are on display at Anting Town Library. Both Xu, the librarian in Anting Library, and Huang, the reader are enthusiasts on arts and welcome the public to watch the show.

Date: Through March 31, 6am-5pm

Venue: Anting Town Library  
Address: 149 Moyu Rd

墨玉路149号

## Chinese Artworks

A woman in Jiading District's Juyuan New Area is hosting an exhibition to showcase father Zhang Jinming's creation of traditional Chinese ink brush paintings and calligraphy. The theme of this exhibition is "Impression" featuring more than 100 pieces of artworks on display. In his creation, the senior Zhang expresses the faith that a small brush can paint a beautiful world.

Date: Through April 10, 8:30am-8pm

Venue: Juyuan Community Culture Center

Address: 1255 Qipan Rd

棋盘路1255号

## Treasures From Grassland

Cultural heritages from Baotou City in northern China's Inner Mongolia Autonomous Region are showcased in Jiading. Baotou, in the west of Inner Mongolia, is fertile and beautiful. This is the main stage of northern prairie national activities. Grassland civilization and Yellow River civilization add radiance and beauty in Baotou. This exhibition displays over 80 pieces of cultural relics, including Tibetan Buddhist thangka, rock painting, historic relics. These exhibits are the reflection of culture communication between the north and the middle area in China and one of the most important parts among China's 5,000 years' history. It represents the historical background of Baotou and opens a window for the audience to know more about the grassland civilization.

Date: Through April 19, 8:30am-4:30pm

Venue: Jiading Museum  
Address: 215 Bole Rd

博乐路215号



A bronze sculpture of Buddha from the Northern Wei Dynasty (386-534 AD)

## Film

## 'Beauty and the Beast'



This fantasy musical is a love story between a monstrous-looking prince and a young woman. In the film, the woman is taken prisoner by a fearsome "beast" in its enchanted castle but she learns to look beyond the beast's appearance. The film is being shown in both IMAX 3D and 3D versions. **Starring:** Emma Watson, Dan Stevens and Luke Evans

## 'The Boss Baby'

This American 3D computer-animated comedy film is loosely based on the 2010 picture book of the same name. It centers on a suit-wearing briefcase-carrying baby who pairs up with his 7-year-old brother to stop the dastardly plot of the CEO of Puppy Co.

**Voices:** Alec Baldwin, Miles Bakshi and Steve Buscemi

**Release date:** March 31

## 'Ghost in the Shell'

The American sci-fi action film directed by Rupert Sanders and written by Jamie Moss and Ehren Kruger is based on the Japanese manga of the same name. It revolves around a cyborg police-woman who attempts to bring down a nefarious computer hacker. The film will be released with both 3D and IMAX 3D versions.

**Starring:** Scarlett Johansson, Michael Pitt and Chin Han

**Release date:** March 31

## Where to watch:

## • Jiading Cinema

Address: 149 Chengzhong Rd, Jiading Town  
Tel: 5953-1306  
Website: www.jiadingcinema.com (online ticket reservation available)

嘉定镇城中路149号

## • Dadi Digital Cinema

Address: 4/F, Robinsons Shopping Mall, 138 Chengzhong Rd, Jiading Town  
Tel: 5992-9821  
Website: http://cinema.hipiao.com/dadi\_jiading (online ticket reservation available)

嘉定镇城中路138号

## • Nanxiang Bingo International Cinema

Address: 1/F, Bldg 5, 1082 Huyi Highway  
Tel: 6992-7666 ext 818

沪宜公路1082号

## • Jiangqiao Wanda Cinema

Address: 3/F Jiangqiao Wanda Plaza, 49, Lane 1075, Jinshajiang Rd W.  
Tel: 3127-5666

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