

Bomb Threat to Falun Gong Community in BC hosting Shen Yun March 2024

Bomb threat targeting a theatre performance in Vancouver in March 2024, likely orchestrated by the CCP, and other interference cases to Shen Yun in Canada

The bomb threat email was sent to the theatre where Shen Yun Performing Arts, a globally renowned performing arts company known for its portrayal of traditional Chinese culture and that also portrays the Chinese regime's persecution of the Falun Gong spiritual practice. The New York-based classical Chinese dance company tours globally and its [2024 Canada tour](#) started on March 20 and continues through April 24.

On March 24, someone sent an email to the Vancouver Queen Elizabeth Theater threatening to detonate bombs at the theater if Shen Yun was allowed to perform. Similar [threats](#) were sent to theaters in Taiwan and in the United States. Meanwhile, Shen Yun's training center in New York also received bomb threats and mass shooting threats.

The emails came from senders using Chinese names. "We randomly placed a lot of bombs in the theater. If you don't want us to detonate the bombs, please refuse Shen Yun Performing Arts to perform here immediately! And expel the relevant personnel to leave. If the show starts successfully, we will directly detonate these bombs! !!"

The incident was reported to the police and RCMP (**report #: VA24-48329**) by the theatre staff.

We suspect the threats were coordinated by the Chinese regime, as the CCP has conducted a global campaign to silence and malign Shen Yun since the company's founding in 2006. Earlier this year the Falun Dafa Information Center, a U.S. based human rights organization, [documented](#) 135 incidents of interference with Shen Yun performances in 38 countries. Leaked CCP documents as well as the fact that Chinese diplomats were the primary actors in 81 out of the 135 incidents indicate that this campaign originates from the very top of the CCP.

The recent bomb threat incident indicates that the threat to the Falun Gong community is escalating.

Sample incidents of CCP's attempts to sabotage Shen Yun in Canada, most of them are documented in this foreign interference report [[5](#)].

1. Write warning letters to politicians asking them not to attend the performance, citing defamation to Shen Yun and Falun Gong.(section 3.1.2.3 of the report [[5](#)])
2. Call or email those elected officials who attended the show to pressure them with defamation to Falun Gong and Shen Yun. (section 3.2.11 of the report [[5](#)]) - A city councillor in Ottawa watched the Shen Yun show. Following the show his office started to receive emails non-stop with offensive and rude content claiming to be from Falun Gong practitioners. With the help of technical support at city hall, the office managed to block the emails. Only after the city

councillor complained to a local practitioner. That practitioner had a chance to explain to him that those emails were not from Falun Gong practitioners but were part of the CCP's activities attempting to discredit Falun Gong.

3. Such an impersonating email, pretending to be from a local Falun Gong practitioner was also sent to a theater manager in Calgary with insulting words in an attempt to sabotage the relationship with local presenter, Falun Dafa Association. (section 4.5 in the report [5])

4. Threaten local business sponsors to withdraw the sponsorship to Shen Yun, (section 4.5 in the report [5])

5. Threaten Chinese community members that they may not be able to go back to China if they watch Shen Yun show.

6. Tire slashing of Shen Yun tour bus, in Canada and US happened multiple times. (section 5.1.4. in report [5])

7. This year, a new form of threat was reported to Falun Dafa association in Vancouver that some Chinese employers threatened their Chinese employees that they would be fired if they watch Shen Yun show.

Links:

[1] <https://faluninfo.net/bomb-threats-mark-new-low-in-campaign-to-silence-shen-yun/>

[2] <https://foreigninterferencecommission.ca/public-hearings/day-6-march-27>

[3] <https://faluninfo.us7.list-manage.com/track/click?u=7e95ba6c7d1817c284262a0a3&id=2e30395d29&e=459fcebd13>

[4] <https://library.faluninfo.net/diplomatic-disruptions-and-disinformation-beijings-global-drive-to-stop-shen-yun/>

[5] <https://library.faluninfo.net/canada-2023-report-foreign-interference-transnational-repression-of-falun-gong/>