

The zheng, or guzheng, is a long, stringed instrument that is played by plucking the strings with the fingers or with picks that are worn on the fingertips. Ding Yi Feng is a professional guzheng musician and teacher.

- A video of Ding Yi improvising on the guzheng (<u>YouTube</u>)
- Ding Yi was interviewed, along with other performers, for the Guardian on taking part in the Ebb & Flow: Tides of Settlement on PEI production in 2021 (<u>Press Reader</u>)
- Basic information on the guzheng (<u>Guzheng</u> Alive)
- More detailed timelines on the history of the guzheng (<u>Guzheng Alive</u>)
- A good starting point for further exploration of the guzheng, including some examples of fusion and being featured in various popular music styles and media (<u>Wikipedia</u>)
- This website features a story that the piece Ding Yi plays for us, "Gao Shan Liu Shui" ("High Mountain and Running Water"), is based upon (Wenhui Wang, PhD)
- images of Chinese landscape paintings as inspiration: 1, 2, 3
- Learners could also discuss the science of sound and create their own pitched string instruments like the guzheng as demonstrated in this video.

Links to Explore

To hear more of Ding Yi's music, you can subscribe to her YouTube channel here.

For teaching videos and more activities to learn about Chinese Guzheng with Ding Yi, visit the ArtsSmarts PEI
Our Musical Island resource at

www.ourmusicalisland.ca

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