

I met Master Aiping in the Spring of 2018 after looking to renew my study of Tai Chi, specifically Yang style 24 form, close to home and her classes were the enrichment I wanted. She taught slowly and methodically and helped me feel competent and successful. I came to understand her strong sense of family as I learned she emigrated from China with her daughter many years earlier, started her original school in Connecticut then moved to Austin to be close to her daughter and grandchildren. I appreciate her desire for family connection and felt that sense of family in her classes. As her student, I performed in many Tai Chi activities such as Chinese New Year celebrations, joining in a dragon dance at a Chinese Festival in Austin and taking an unforgettable trip to China along with her Connecticut students. While in China, we had a small performance in a Cultural Festival where Master Aiping performed and was honored for her dedication to Tai Chi. I respect, value and care about Master Aiping as my teacher and friend and I am a better person for knowing her. Thank you Master Aiping!

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