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This event is not possible without the great efforts of our volunteer board and the many participants. Everybody involved in the World Festival is volunteering their time and resources to bring this wonderful event to the community! Thanks to Mayo High School for the use of auditorium, gym and facilities.

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PRESENTS

42ND ANNUAL WORLD FESTIVAL

All Day Program

April 29, 2017
Mayo High School
10 AM - 4 PM

**Including the
Green Card Voices Exhibition**

Adults : \$10.00 (*Includes \$5 food ticket*)
Kids : FREE
Students : FREE (With ID)

INFORMATION

The Rochester International Association table in the lobby is the place for the following:

- Purchasing Admission Tickets
- Check in for volunteers
- Check in if you need a volunteer at your table
- Information about the Rochester International Association
- Event programs
- Lost and Found during the World Festival (afterwards all leftover items will be given to the Mayo HS office)
- First Aid (minor injuries)
- Limited supplies (on loan!)

PARADE

At 10:30 am line-up for the Parade of Nations in front of the stage in the gym. Please take the flag of your background and line up. We will parade around the school for all to see the wonderful costumes and flags.

GLOBAL MARKET

In the foyer and hallways you have the opportunity to buy cultural and ethnic items from many countries. Have fun shopping!

PERFORMANCES

This year we have performances throughout the whole day. Please check the program for both Gymnasium and Auditorium events. The day is full of exciting performances on both locations, plan ahead to get the most of your time at the World Festival.

GYMNASIUM PERFORMANCES

TIME	PERFORMANCE
10:30 AM	Parade of Nations
12:30 PM	Martial Art Fitness Center
1:30 PM	Asian Media Access Dance Team
2:30 PM	Sudanese Association of SE Minnesota (SASEM)
3:00 PM	Fashion Show
3:30 PM	Zumba with Sara Pennington and friends

AUDITORIUM PERFORMANCES

11:00 - 11:30 AM

Rochester Caledonian Band
South Indian Kids Group Dance
Crystal Phoenix Belly Dance
Rochester Chinese School

12:00 - 12:30 PM

Ehru Ensemble
Caberi
Antares Tribal
Indian Dance
UMN Rochester Hmong Dance Team

1:00 - 1:30 PM

Darshana Tribal
Rochester Vidhyalaya
Phil Am Association
Taal Chhandam

2:00 - 2:30 PM

Burkina Azza
Bangladesh musical performance
Indian classical dance
Indian song

The Performance schedules may be subject to change.

FOOD

Please buy your food tickets in the hallway at the ticket sales tables early to avoid the rush. Each ticket costs 50 cents. There will be boards next to the tables indicating the cost of the food (how many tickets). Buy more than you think you need – you will want to try many different plates! We will buy back leftover tickets.

We have food from around the world available: **Bosnia, India, Korea, Middle Eastern Halal, Native American, Philippine, Poland, Taiwan...** AND PASTRIES FROM DAUBE'S

Water and Soda will also be available to purchase.

The cafeteria is open from 11 AM until the food runs out.

CULTURAL DISPLAYS

Meet your international neighbors! The cultural and organizational displays are all in the gym. Be amazed by the many different heritages and international connections Rochester has! Talk to the people at the displays – that's what they want! Everybody there is a volunteer trying to give you great insight into their background. We want you to have a truly interactive experience.

CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES

The children's activities are intermingled with the displays in the gym. The tables will be marked by balloons! There are lots of crafts, a book reading and give-away, poster drawing, balloons and much, much more. Everything to keep the children interested and active!