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A big thank you to all of our great participants, ethnic groups and individuals alike! Without you there would be no World Festival. We are all volunteering to bring this wonderful display of our backgrounds and heritages to the community. It is truly a huge volunteer effort and gift that you are all giving to our city.

We are looking for chairpersons and World Festival committee members for next year. If you are interested in being part of organizing the festival next year, please write to herta.matteson@ria-minnesota.org. Don't be shy! We really want to include as many new people as possible.

Rochester International Association Presents

38th Annual Rochester World Festival International Talent Show

Friday, April 12, 2013

Starts at 7PM

John Marshall High School Auditorium

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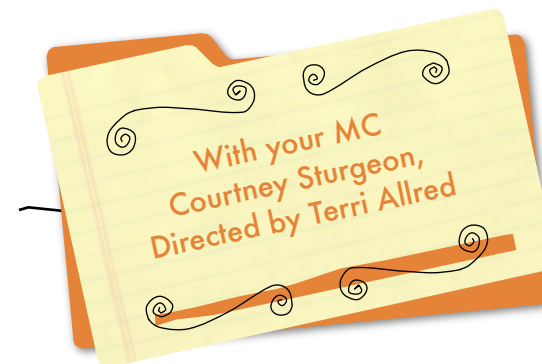
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Friday evening program information

MC – Courtney Sturgeon

Courtney joined the KTTTC NewsCenter in October of 2012. Courtney graduated from DePaul University in Chicago with a Bachelor of Arts in Journalism and minor in Communication and Media. Courtney reported for the University's newspaper "The DePaulia" and news program "Good Day DePaul." and was recognized by DePaul University and the Society of Professional Journalists. She was also honored as a NATAS Student Achievement Award Nominee from the Television Academy for her coverage of the "Occupy DePaul" protests. Courtney completed internships with NBC 5-WMAQ and ABC 7-WLS. Besides Journalism, one of Courtney's greatest passions in life is spending time with senior citizens. She has been volunteering at nursing homes since she was 11 years old and plans on owning a senior home of her own one day. Courtney enjoys trying new cuisines and will eat any kind of food if it's dipped in chocolate.

RCTC World Drum Ensemble

The World Drum Ensemble from Rochester Community and Technical College, directed by Denny McGuire, will perform a set of Brazilian Samba drumming. Called "Samba Batucada" what we play tonight represents the drumming of carnival as celebrated in the large urban areas of Brazil such as Rio de Janeiro and Sao Paulo. Performers: Abby LeQuia, Ritha Boyle, Eli Crosley, Ashley Dimmick, Kris Ellefson, Spencer Ellerbusch, Craig Hogarth, Abigail Lombard, Joe McShane, Arda Ozcan, Nancy Slocumb, Ashley Strain, Toby Ulness, Greg Wimmer

Chinese Vocal Solo — "Tea-Picking Dance Song"

Performer: Danli Wu

Rochester Chinese School Dance — "Little Shell Trumpet"

Instructor: Ying Li, Performers: Cindy Xu, Venus Yang, Juliann Yao, Happy William, Sharai Liu, Grace Qiang, Nicole Yang, Alice Hu, Ellen Hu.

Vietnam

"Hello Vietnam" Thanh Luong

"Pink Blossoming of Spring" Performers: Giang Nguyễn, Nhã Nguyễn, Lily Đào, Lisa Lương, Alisa Tạ, Cathleen Lý, Thy Nguyễn, Vivian Nguyễn, Nancy Võ, Darleen Đoàn, Brittney Bùi.

Shaia Dance Collective, from Rochester International Dance Studio

A classical Egyptian choreography to "Mouna." Performers: Traci Hussong, Tricia Graumann, Grace Idemmili

Phil-Am Association

Subli: (sooh-BLEEH) This ancient dance, originally performed in veneration of the Holy Cross, which is shown during fiestas as a ceremonial worship dance to the town's icon the "Holy Cross". The term "Subli" is from two tagalog words "subsub" meaning falling on head and "bali" which means broken. Dancers: Jelyn Ford, Jana Hontanosas, Josie Goundry, Arlene Fox, Mia Abcejo, Mary Grace McCann, Janice Strop, Jessica Vander Pol

Sayaw Sa Bangko: (sah-YAHW-sah-bahng-KOH) It is performed by a couple on a narrow bench, inching and hopping from one end to another. Dancer show skill in staying up the bench as they exchange places by moving their way around or the girl thrown in the air while boy moves to the other end. Dancers: Joshua Dyquiango, Darren Dyquiango, Ryan Bondoc, Richelle Bondoc, Julianna Anes, Alexa Hoyme

Music and Traditional dance from North and East Sudan

Sudanese Association of Southeast Minnesota. Sudanese traditional dance and music performed by the Sudanese youth in Rochester.

Indian Musical Performance

Sitar, performed by Dr. Debarshi Roy, is a musical instrument and tabla, performed by Sushital Chowdhury, is a percussion instrument. Sushital and Debarshi will perform Indian folk music in classical style.

Indian Dance Performance

Annyasha Mukherjee has studied Indian classical dance since childhood. She is portraying the tales of Lord Krishna's adolescent period of life. Her performance will describe the mischievous activities of young Krishna to woo his lady Radha.

Cambodian Culture Club

"Yeekay Homrome" - This is a spirit dance performed by only women. 6 dancers will dance to Cambodian folk music heavy in drum and Cambodian recorder sounds. The dance is to call upon our ancestors to come participate in the celebration.

"The Scarf Dance" - This dance was created to honor the minority tribe in Cambodia called the Chams. It is performed to traditional Cham music and performers wear outfits from the Cham community.

Rochester Chinese School

Dance "Blazing Pomegranate Flowers Blossom" Children are growing up in happy life as blazing pomegranate flowers are blossoming. Instructor: Ying Li, Performers: Cindy Han, Serena Yang, Emily Ren, Anna Sun, Amy Sun, Anna Wang, Amy Wang, Christine Yao, Michelle Zheng, Marissa Ding, Emma Luo, Kylie Meng, Maggie Hu, Zoe Chen, Katherine Bi-Ji, Alice Bi-Ji, Katherine Zhu

"The South of the Rainbow Clouds" After waking up from sweet dream, the pretty little peacocks are dancing and enjoying the beautiful nature beside the creek in the forest. Instructor: Ying Li, Performers: Lisa Fu, Jinhong Dong, Jessica He, Michelle Mai, Rachel Zhang, Shelly Shen, Nancy Huang

Music and Traditional dance from West and Central Sudan

Sudanese Association of Southeast Minnesota. Sudanese traditional dance and music from performed by the Sudanese youth in Rochester.

Rochester Chinese School Erhu Ensemble

(1) "Osmanthus Flowers Blossom Everywhere in August"

(2) "The Moon Stands for My Heart"

Instructor: Zhen Ren, Performers: Annie Wu, Amy Wang, Emily Ren, Kaye Peng, Yun Pan, Long Jin.

India Folk Dance

Performer: Anuradha Dhumne

Chinese Gourd Flute Solo — "Legend of the Princess"

Performer: Lisa Fu

World Dance

Twisted Luna Tribal, from Rochester International Dance Studio will be performing an American Tribal Style dance incorporating Indian, Middle Eastern and Flamenco styles in group improvisation. Performers: Patti Chiarini, Amber Knapp Frank, Andrea Streyle, Terri Allred

India

"Soi Soi " is a dance set to the tune of a folk song from the state of Tamilnadu in India. Tamilnadu is a southern state of India with richness in crops and arts. The folk dances are performed to celebrate cultural and harvest festivals. This song is taken from the movie "Kumki" and tells the story and conversation of young lovers. Performers: Sumathi Jayakumar, Priya Ramar, Sujatha Praveen, Preetha Kaniappan and Ganga Gopalkrishnan.