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GlobalFest has nurtured active partnerships with the Indigenous community in Calgary since 2009. As time has passed, we have dedicated ourselves to maintaining these partnerships through our OneWorld Festival and the MySummerJourneyYYC program.

We are incredibly privileged and lucky to have a connection with Blackfoot Crossing Historical Park. They have a fantastic team, and we are grateful to work alongside them in our community programming efforts, and planning visits for our summer camps.

As a non-profit society in Alberta whose mission and guiding principles are to promote multiculturalism and create a platform for the diverse communities that live in Calgary, we offer our stages, our festival, and our voices, to shine a spotlight on this beautiful place.

Ken Goosen

Chief Operating Officer
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A NOTE FROM GLOBALFEST

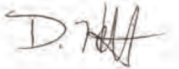
Welcome to GlobalFest 2024! We are very excited to be able to provide you with another instalment of our festival through a tapestry of colour and culture. This year, our intercontinental tour across the globe starts with the reigning champions of Spain, then sets down in Brazil, followed by heading north to Mexico with a next stop northward with the USA presentation and then a bit further north back home for a Canadian finale. We know you cannot wait to see all of these amazing pyromusical performances.

Since its debut in 2003, GlobalFest has grown to be recognized locally and internationally as Calgary's premiere International Fireworks Festival. Over the years, Calgarians have shared GlobalFest's desire to promote diversity and culture by blending components of Calgary's cultural mosaic together. This year is no different as there is more to GlobalFest than the breathtaking displays in the sky, setoff to choreographed music. Our very own OneWorld Festival continues to be a mainstay of our festival as we are extremely proud to acknowledge the spirit of unity exemplified by programs like our OneWorld. It will allow our guests to be introduced to over 24 unique cultural pavilions, which showcase just how diverse our city is, allowing several of our cultural partners to present their cultural wares, music and even food.

We will then cap things off each evening with one of our world-famous choreographed fireworks performances, presented each night by a different invited nation. The dedication to showcasing cultural diversity and artistic excellence within our communities, and around the world, creates the perfect local celebration. Every night promises entertainment and unforgettable memories!

Throughout the years, Calgary has grown to be Canada's third most multicultural community, and GlobalFest has been at the forefront of promoting the beauty of this diversity. GlobalFest strives to provide an inclusive platform for the many different voices within Calgary, and we are extremely fortunate to have the support of like-minded individuals and volunteers who share our values and virtue. It is thanks to these dedicated community members, and the wonderful staff at GlobalFest, that we can open minds and illuminate the sky of Calgary every year! Thank you to our many visitors to Calgary, who have chosen to come to GlobalFest and celebrate with us. Thank you to all our patrons for continuing to support our organization and the diverse programming that you are going to experience. Enjoy your time at GlobalFest 2024!"

Yours Truly,



Doran Heit, Chairman



MESSAGE FROM THE PRIME MINISTER OF CANADA

Dear Friends:

I am pleased to extend my warmest greetings to everyone taking part in GlobalFest 2024, being held at Elliston Park in Calgary, Alberta.

This annual event brings the community together to celebrate our nation's rich mix of cultures. I am certain that everyone in attendance will enjoy the many activities and performances planned for this year's edition, including vibrant pavilions, children's programming and nightly fireworks displays.

I would like to commend the organizers for their commitment to promoting cultural exchange. This event is a wonderful reminder that Canada is truly a multicultural nation, made stronger and more resilient by our diversity.

Please accept my best wishes for a memorable experience.

Sincerely,



The Rt. Hon. Justin P. J. Trudeau, P.C., M.P., Prime Minister of Canada



THE HONOURABLE PREMIER DANIELLE SMITH

On behalf of the Government of Alberta, welcome to Globalfest 2024.

This annual festival is a great opportunity to learn more about some of the cultures and traditions represented among those who call our province and country home. The TD OneWorld Festival pavilions offer an immersive multiculturalism experience through the arts, history, music and more. I hope everyone in attendance enjoys exploring the world in Elliston Park.

And when the sun goes down, the fireworks begin! Best wishes to this year's presenting artists from Spain, Brazil, Mexico and the United States, as well as the talented people responsible for the Canadian finale. Thank you for lighting up the night to thrill and delight Albertans and visitors.

Thank you as well to the organizers and volunteers who have made this festival a highlight of the summer in Calgary for more than two decades. I appreciate your commitment to diversity and to showcasing Alberta as an international destination.

Have a wonderful time!



Honourable Danielle Smith,
Premier of Alberta



MAYOR JYOTI GONDEK

On behalf of my City Council colleagues, welcome to GlobalFest!

GlobalFest has captivated Calgarians and visitors alike, igniting our skies through the magic and creativity of international fireworks displays for over two decades. Year after year, we gather to share in the wonder of fireworks, but more importantly, to honour and revel in the cultural richness that each of our communities brings to our city.

GlobalFest continues to be a highlight of our city's lively summer festival scene. May the music, cuisine, pavilion displays, and night market inspire joy, connection, and a deeper appreciation for the diversity that makes Calgary such a wonderful place to live and visit.

Thank you to the many volunteers, organizers and sponsors for lending your expertise to make GlobalFest 2024 a success.

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Sincerely,



Jyoti Gondek
Mayor of Calgary





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GlobalFest embraces how important relevant work experience is for many students currently attending post-secondary. That's why, every summer GlobalFest recruits a team of diverse students from a variety of programs to participate in the Youth Leaders of Tomorrow (YLOT) program.

The YLOT program provides these post-secondary students with essential skills, while also encouraging their insight into the daily operations of GlobalFest. During their time with GlobalFest, the YLOTs learn more about the non-profit sector through their various roles. Throughout the YLOT program, the development of teamwork, leadership skills, and communication skills allow these students to gain relevant experience for future studies and their careers ahead.



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Our partnership with the Calgary Stampede Community Stage was renewed again this year that included 11 days of performances and cultural pavilion spaces in the new BMO Centre. The performances were well attended throughout the 11 days with 26 different cultural performance groups and 5 cultural association pavilion promotional spaces. GlobalFest is grateful to the Calgary Stampede for continuing to engage and provide these opportunities to our OneWorld cultural community association partners and to our festival.

We replaced our free summer performances on Stephen Avenue Mall with a more intentional series of mini OneWorld Sunday afternoon picnics at Harley Hotchkiss Gardens Park on 7th Avenue SW. We scheduled 3 events to coincide with major international conventions that were being hosted at the Calgary TELUS Convention Centre. There were cultural pavilion tents, a performance stage, and food trucks, held up by 11 performance groups and 9 different pavilion groups. This program was generously supported by Rise Up Calgary and provided a wonderful series of free Sunday afternoon programming, promoting Calgary's broad cultural diversity.



Trico Livingwell has also become a new favoured performance and cultural sharing space for GlobalFest. Over the past 6 months we've had numerous performances take place, with full capacity resident audiences. They were treated to an hour of programming that included performance groups, information sharing, and a trivia quiz where the winner of the quiz won tickets to attend an evening at GlobalFest at Elliston Park.



INTERNSHIPS AND MENTORSHIPS

The Youth Leaders of Tomorrow Program is an annual program GlobalFest undertakes bringing in a variety of post-secondary students and young adults to gain experience in the festival/non-profit sector. The YLOT program experienced some significant growth this year with two added positions, a Programming Assistant as well as a Production Assistant. [\(See Page 8\)](#)



MySummerJourney YCC returned for another year at Sunalta Community Association Hall. This year, we expanded our partnership to include referral agencies Calgary Immigrant Women's Association, Centre for Newcomers, and Immigrant Services Calgary, who referred youth to the program. This two-week program engaged almost 20 immigrant/refugee youth, ages 11 - 16. [\(See Page 25\)](#)

GlobalFest is a not-for-profit community development agency focused on the creation of a more inclusive society, without barriers to participation, engagement, to build great community understanding, and providing a true sense of belonging.

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I would like to thank our wonderful partners and volunteers who participated in making each golf hole unique and fun, with all of the different games and prizes included at each. This golf tournament and its fun spirit associated with it, would not be possible without all of the continued support GlobalFest is given. It is truly amazing to see a sense of community be brought out through a game of golf. All the donations received go towards the many community development programs that GlobalFest takes on year-round through the reaching out initiative including, the Human Rights Forum, MySummerJourneyYYC, and our Youth Leaders of Tomorrow Program. All of these programs provide opportunity toward establishing solutions to significant issues faced in communities.

GlobalFest is a not-for-profit community development agency dedicated to celebrating, showcasing, and promoting Calgary's ethno-cultural diversity and artistic excellence. We enrich the lives of our citizens and strengthen our community, while simultaneously enhancing Alberta's reputation as an international destination.

In summary, we would like to again thank all of our golfers, sponsors and volunteers for continuing to support us through the 8th annual golf classic and making it a very successful day. The weather has not always co-operated with us and we are very happy to see everyone out to take a chance on us and a chance on the weather, while enjoying a game that we all love, (or are trying to love). We are already looking forward to seeing you and all of the friends you invite to participate in the 9th annual GlobalFest Golf tournament next year! Enjoy your summer, and see you in August at Elliston Park!

Sincerely,

Doran Heit

Chairman of the Board - GlobalFest





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CITIZENSHIP CEREMONY



Since 2007, GlobalFest - in partnership with Citizenship and Immigration Canada - has held a citizenship ceremony onsite at Elliston Park during the OneWorld and International Fireworks Festivals. The citizenship ceremony has become an integral part of our annual programming. Over the years GlobalFest has had in excess of 1,000 individuals become Canadian Citizens at Elliston Park and our Human Rights Forum.

This year, we are thrilled to have 50 individuals taking that final step in their journey towards Canadian Citizenship. We encourage everyone in the park, that evening, to join in the ceremony and celebration, as we welcome our newest Canadian citizens surrounded by our OneWorld partners in the OneWorld North Village.

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GLOBALFEST MYSUMMERJOURNEYYC 2024

For two weeks in July, the teens of MySummerJourney YYC shared an enriching time together. New relationships were formed quickly with the teens who came to live in Canada from China, Columbia, Peru, Poland, Vietnam and the Ukraine. As a collective group, we discovered more about cultures, values, how to navigate life as a teen in Canada, gained independence, improved our literacy skills and had loads of fun! Our experiences were enhanced by several excursions and guest visitors that included:

- 2 musical sessions: a drum circle and a session with a musical therapist. In the drum circle, the teens expressed their feelings through the rhythms and beats of different hand drums and percussion instruments. The second musical activity enabled the teens to release emotions by feeling the vibrations of the sound bowls.



- A visit to the Blackfoot Crossing Historical Park is where we learned about the Blackfoot Nation through the story telling of Robin Big Snake. We meandered into the valley to the Tipi Village where the signing of Treaty 7 took place.
- The Beltline Fire Department showed us how to prepare and execute a plan if a fire were to occur in our homes. We sat in the driver's seat of a fire truck as we learned about all the gear used to put out fires.
- At the Canadian national historic site, Bar-U-Ranch, we experienced what it would have been like to be an early homesteader and tend to a ranch.
- We were inspired by the unique architecture of the Calgary Central Library and discovered the floor dedicated to teens. It was a reminder about the benefits of being a lifetime reader.
- The Glenbow museum was visually stunning and gave us an appreciation for art.
- Our travels through inner city Calgary, including a stop in Chinatown, were enhanced by visiting parks and natural green spaces. These excursions complemented our indoor sessions of reflective writing projects and arts and crafts.
- Lastly, our group connected through movement and play. We bonded through cooperative games and were reminded that physical play is an important component for a balanced and healthy lifestyle.

Reflecting on our time together, we realize we packed a summer of activities into two weeks. This group of teens created new friendships, experienced personal growth, felt success, gained appreciation for nature, and worked together as a team, all while being a "teenager" and having a good old time.

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**THURSDAY, AUGUST 15
SATURDAY, AUGUST 17
TUESDAY, AUGUST 20
THURSDAY, AUGUST 22
SATURDAY AUGUST 24**

**SPAIN (BEST OF FEST 2023)
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The OneWorld Festival presented by TD, and GlobalFest international Fireworks Festival are in the same location. Elliston Park is open 6:00pm - 11:30pm during GlobalFest. LAST PARK ADMISSION 9:15pm. Fireworks begin when the sky is dark and weather conditions are deemed safe.

TICKETS

ADMISSION IS FREE FOR CHILDREN 5 AND UNDER WHEN ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT. ALL DATES ARE TENTATIVE. NO EXCHANGES OR REFUNDS.

Fireworks will be postponed due to any condition that organizers feel may jeopardize public safety. Upon postponement of an event or presentation, the event will be rescheduled.

VIEWING

GlobalFest offers general festival seating. There are two large seating bowls created by the landscape of the park, with the premiere viewing bowl also facing the TD main stage. Guests are encouraged to bring their own blanket and lawn chairs.

ACCESSIBLE, WHEELCHAIR AND SENIOR VIEWING

Accessible, wheelchair and senior viewing is available to on paved ground, close to the water's edge between the RONA gate and corner gate. Seating is not provided.

PERFORMANCE STAGES

There are two stages with programming prior to the fireworks- the TD Main Stage and the Air Canada Village Stage. Locations are detailed on the Ellison Park Map.

PETS AND SERVICE ANIMALS

Service animals with a Government of Alberta ID Card and ADI Card are permitted in Elliston Park during GlobalFest. For the safety of all the guests attending GlobalFest, all other pets, (including support animals) will not be permitted. Please leave your Four-legged friends at home!

FOOD TRUCKS AND INTERNATIONAL FOOD BOOTHS

Our Concessionaries offer a variety of delicious fare. Our concessionaries on-site include: Canadian Bear Balls, Vasilis Food Truck, Sooo Yum Eh, Li' Orbits Mini Donuts, Mr. Street Taste, Sugar Creek Kettle Corn, Shabha Shawarma, Sugarloaf Brazilian Street Food, The Dumpling Hero, Family Squeezed Lemonade, The Blues Delight Food Truck, Authentic Churros, Arepas Ranch, Uzu Ice Cream, Caribbean Food Booth, Taste Of Vietnam, Ami Tea, Philippine's (Mia's Lechon), The Burrito Mexican Food, GRETA BAR, Wannawafel - Calgary, Empanada Queen, BBQ BOB, Wonton Ninja.

DRONES

There are absolutely no drones allowed in, over or around Elliston Park during GlobalFest.

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CULTURAL PAVILIONS

AFRICA

Pavilion Coordinators: Cheikh Wade & Ndeye Mbow

This is Africa!!! C'est Ça l'Afrique !!!

Africa is home to diverse and vibrant forms of culture. Come explore and share the diversity of the African culture. Our pavilion will showcase traditional African art, crafts and information about many countries in Africa. The rich and diverse African Culture varies not only from one country to another but within each country as well. Please visit us to learn more!

L'Afrique est un continent aux richesses multiples et l'une des plus grandes richesses réside dans sa culture. Venez découvrir la diversité de la culture africaine. Notre pavillon expose des objets d'art provenant de différents pays en Afrique. Bienvenue en Afrique!!!

AZERBAIJAN

Pavilion Coordinators: Irada Shamilova & Fatima Akhundova

Azerbaijanis began immigrating to Canada in the 1980s. Being rich in Oil and Gas, Azerbaijan attracted lots of foreign investments after the collapse of the Soviet Union and developed a strong pool of highly educated Oil and Gas professionals. Therefore, many Azerbaijanis immigrating to Canada don't think twice when choosing Alberta as their new home.

Azerbaijan has quite a unique geographic landscape. 9 out of 11 existing climatic zones can be found here making tourism one of the fastest-growing industries in the country.

Azerbaijan is also known as Land of Fire thanks to the naturally occurring eternal flames spread across the mountains. Fun fact: this holy fire has burned since ancient times and no rain, snow or wind ever managed to stop it.

Azerbaijan is situated right between Europe and Asia on the shores of the Caspian Sea, that locals call Hazar. The Silk Road historically passed through parts of Azerbaijan. All these factors helped nurture multiculturalism, making ethnic and religious diversity a matter of pride for Azerbaijan and its people. You can find a church, a mosque and a synagogue all within a few blocks from each other here. Many Azerbaijani immigrants choose Canada for that same reason. Canadian Azerbaijanis highly appreciate all the support and opportunity to pass their vibrant traditions, dances, culture and one of a kind, absolutely delicious cuisine on to the next generation here in Canada.

BANGLADESH – NEW FOR 2024

Pavilion Coordinator: Ahmed Al-Emram

Nestled in the heart of South Asia, Bangladesh is a country with a captivating cultural landscape shaped by its diverse history, religious influences, and geographical features. From the bustling streets of Dhaka to the serene countryside, Bangladesh offers a mosaic of experiences that reflect its unique identity.

Language and Literature:

Bengali, the official language of Bangladesh, is not only a means of communication but also a source of cultural pride. The works of literary giants like Rabindranath Tagore and Kazi Nazrul Islam have left an indelible mark on Bengali literature, earning Bangladesh a place of prominence in the global literary scene.

Music and Dance:

Music and dance are integral parts of Bangladeshi culture, expressing a range of emotions from joy to sorrow. Traditional folk music, such as Baul and Bhatiali, resonates with the rhythms of rural life, while classical forms like Rabindra Sangeet evoke a sense of timeless beauty. The graceful movements of traditional dance forms like Manipuri and Nazrul Nritya captivate audiences with their elegance and storytelling prowess.

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Festivals and Celebrations:

Bangladesh is a land of festivals, where people from diverse backgrounds come together to celebrate their shared heritage. Pohela Boishakh, the Bengali New Year, is marked by colorful processions, traditional music, and mouthwatering delicacies. Eid-ul-Fitr and Durga Puja are celebrated with equal fervor, reflecting the religious diversity of the country.

Cuisine:

Bangladeshi cuisine is a gastronomic delight, characterized by its bold flavors and aromatic spices. From the iconic biryani to mouthwatering seafood dishes like hilsa curry, Bengali cuisine offers a feast for the senses. Street food delights like puchka (pani puri) and fuchka (spicy snack) tantalize taste buds and showcase the culinary ingenuity of the Bangladeshi people.

Arts and Crafts:

Artisans in Bangladesh have a rich tradition of craftsmanship, producing exquisite textiles, pottery, and handicrafts. The intricate patterns of Jamdani sarees and the vibrant colors of nakshi kantha embroidery are testaments to the country's artistic heritage. Dhaka's bustling markets, such as New Market and Aarong, offer a treasure trove of handmade goods that reflect Bangladesh's cultural diversity.

Conclusion:

Bangladesh's cultural heritage is a testament to the resilience and creativity of its people. From its captivating music and dance to its mouthwatering cuisine and exquisite craftsmanship, Bangladesh offers a glimpse into a world of endless beauty and diversity. As we celebrate GlobalFest 2024, let us embrace the rich tapestry of Bangladeshi culture and forge connections that transcend borders.

BLACKFOOT CROSSING HISTORICAL PARK

Pavilion Coordinator: Shilo Clark

Welcome to the Blackfoot Crossing Historical Park Pavilion!

Here we showcase a captivating display where the rich history and vibrant culture of the Siksika (Blackfoot) people come alive!

Our Historical Park, nestled amidst the breathtaking landscapes of our Traditional Territory (Now known as Alberta, Canada), serves as a gateway to the past, inviting visitors to embark on a journey of learning.

You will learn of the struggles, triumphs, and resilience of the Siksika Nation. The Historical Park serves as a bridge between generations, honoring the past while igniting a spark of curiosity and understanding in visitors of all ages.

Beyond its role as an educational hub, the Blackfoot Crossing Historical Park also serves as a vibrant gathering place for community events, cultural

celebrations, and artistic performances. We are delighted to announce the return of our Prairie Chicken Dance World Championships that are held every June.

Meet our Blackfoot Historical Park Princess Tia Wolfleg who is the living, breathing heartbeat of our heritage. She's not just about putting on a show; she's all about connecting with people on a real level. Whether she's sharing stories passed down through generations or getting everyone up on their feet for a dance, she's all about making sure you feel the soul of the Blackfoot culture.

As you explore the Blackfoot Crossing Pavilion, you're not just witnessing history—you're immersing yourself in it. With stories of strength, culture, and community, we invite you to soak up the past while embracing the present with open arms. Come join us in cherishing and honoring the very soul of the Siksika Nation, as we keep on weaving connections, sparking wonder, and nurturing understanding for generations to come.

Welcome to a journey of enlightenment and discovery at Blackfoot Crossing Historical Park.

BRASIL

Pavilion Coordinators: Elisia, Glauber, Luana, & Rubia

Visit our Cultural Pavilion and immerse yourself in the rich Brazilian Culture with arts, crafts, artifacts, and information about the different regions of Brazil.

You will also have the opportunity to speak with native Brazilians living in Calgary and learn about activities offered by the Brazilian Association throughout the year, such as Carnaval, Festa Junina, BrazilFest, Open House Musical, Reveillon, Brazilian Portuguese Language Classes for Adults, Kids School, and more! Don't forget to try on traditional Brazilian costumes at the BRASIL Cultural Pavilion for a memorable picture!

New this year is the opportunity to try some Brazilian Street Food if you visit the "Sugar Loaf" food truck at the food court.

CHINA

Pavilion Coordinator: David Curtis Wright

The Northwestern China Community Association of Alberta presents Summer Splendor: traditional Chinese apparel, Chinese calligraphy, and the art of Chinese tea.

Come to GlobalFest 2024, get a name for yourself in Chinese, learn about the invention of fireworks in China, enjoy the visual spectacle of traditional Chinese apparel, take in a demonstration of the exquisite art of Chinese tea... and more!

Our booth has on hand a very accomplished Chinese artist who will, free of charge, select a Chinese name for interested people and then write it out in fine

Chinese calligraphy, with a traditional brush, and on traditional calligraphy paper. What a unique souvenir for GlobalFest 2024 in Calgary!

Everyone knows intuitively that fireworks originated in China, but do they know some of the details of the story? At our pavilion we will have a brief video on the Chinese invention of fireworks, narrated by David Curtis Wright, a professor of Chinese history at the University of Calgary. Professor Wright will also be at the booth to answer questions about fireworks in Chinese history.

We will also have on hand experts in traditional Chinese apparel, Chinese tea, and other good things. Come pay our pavilion a visit!

CROATIA – NEW FOR 2024

Pavilion Coordinators: Kristina Cigić & Maria Barković

Bok! Hello!

The Croatian Heritage Society of Calgary is proud to participate in the One World Festival for the very first time this year. Croatia is best known for its gorgeous Adriatic coast and for being the setting of HBO's Game of Thrones. But there is so much more to know!

Still a very young country, with only 4 million people, Croatia gained its independence in 1991. Since then, we've become known for our athletes, achieving silver in the last FIFA World Cup. Also, our rich history and natural beauty - with 10 sites ascribed to UNESCO's World Heritage, including Diocletian's Palace and the old city of Dubrovnik; and 17 properties on UNESCO's Intangible Cultural Heritage list. This includes our lacemaking from the Island of Pag, 'nijemo kolo' (silent dancing), 'ojkanje' (non-metrical) singing, and Slavonian 'bećarac' which you might get the chance to hear when you stop by.

Come visit our pavilion and get to know Croatia beyond our beautiful coastline - see the intricate embroidery of our costumes, join in song with our traditional 'tamburica' string band, and learn more about our history and culture.

Until then - Dovidenja! See you!

GHANA

Pavilion Coordinator: Charles Odame

Nestled along the Gulf of Guinea and the Atlantic Ocean, Ghana is a vibrant country in West Africa, brimming with rich cultural heritage and a deep sense of history. At GlobalFest 2024, the Ghana Cultural Pavilion invites visitors to immerse themselves in the diverse traditions, arts, and flavors that make Ghana a jewel of the African continent.

Language and Literature

The linguistic landscape of Ghana is as diverse as

its culture, with English as the official language, accompanied by a multitude of indigenous languages including Akan, Ewe, and Ga. Ghanaian literature is a significant cultural pillar, with renowned authors such as Ayi Kwei Armah and Ama Ata Aidoo offering profound insights into Ghanaian society, history, and the African experience. Their works, along with oral traditions passed down through generations, continue to shape the nation's literary identity.

Music and Dance

Ghana's musical heritage is a vibrant fusion of traditional and contemporary sounds. Highlife music, characterized by its jazzy horns and rhythmic beats, has long been a staple, while Hiplife, a genre that blends hip hop with highlife, reflects the dynamic spirit of modern Ghana. Traditional drumming and dance, such as the Adowa, Kpanlogo, and Damba dances, are integral to cultural ceremonies and storytelling, captivating audiences with their rhythmic complexity and expressive movements.

Festivals and Celebrations

Ghana is renowned for its colorful festivals, each offering a unique window into its rich cultural tapestry. The Homowo Festival, celebrated by the Ga people, is a lively event marked by traditional dances, music, and feasting, commemorating the end of a historic famine. The Ashanti people celebrate Akwasidae, a festival that honors their ancestors and showcases the splendor of the Ashanti kingdom with elaborate ceremonies and the display of royal regalia. The country's largest festival, Panafest, is a biennial celebration that promotes Pan-Africanism and commemorates the abolition of the transatlantic slave trade.

Cuisine

Ghanaian cuisine is a delightful adventure for the palate, featuring bold flavors and a variety of spices. Signature dishes include jollof rice, a flavorful one-pot dish made with tomatoes, onions, and spices, often served with fried plantains and grilled meat. Another staple is fufu, a dough-like food typically made from cassava and plantain, which is enjoyed with a variety of soups and stews such as groundnut soup and light soup. Street food, including kelewele (spicy fried plantains) and waakye (a rice and beans dish), offers a taste of Ghana's culinary ingenuity and cultural heritage.

Arts and Crafts

Ghana's artistic traditions are showcased through its exquisite crafts and textiles. The Kente cloth, known for its vibrant colors and intricate patterns, is a symbol of Ghanaian identity and cultural pride. Each pattern has a specific meaning, often reflecting historical events, proverbs, or local lore. The art of Adinkra, symbolic cloth printing, and intricate beadwork are also prominent, reflecting the country's rich artisanal heritage. Markets such as Accra's Makola Market and Kumasi's Kejetia Market are treasure troves of handmade goods, offering everything from woven baskets to brass jewelry.

Ghana's cultural heritage is a testament to the resilience, creativity, and spirit of its people. As we celebrate Globalfest 2024, the Ghana Cultural Pavilion invites you to explore the rich traditions, vibrant arts, and delectable cuisine that define this extraordinary nation. Embrace the warmth of Ghanaian hospitality and the beauty of its diverse cultural landscape, forging connections that celebrate our shared humanity.

HUNGARY

Pavilion Coordinator: Amanda Anstett

Welcome to the Hungarian pavilion at GlobalFest – our community is thrilled to share our rich culture with you for the third year in a row! This is a very special year for our Hungarian community here in Calgary, celebrating 50 successful years for the Vadrozsa Hungarian Folk Dancers. This thriving community shows a steady commitment to growth and learning locally and abroad. Hungarian culture is ripe with beautiful folk art, costumes, music, dance, and of course, deliciously hearty food! Stop by our booth and meet members of the community who immigrated from Hungary during the revolution, as well as their children and other family members who have lived here their whole lives, but have managed to keep the tie to their roots and culture strong in Canada. Our group is excited to also have the opportunity to share our love of traditional folk dances with you, so be sure to look out for us on the stage!

INDIA

Pavilion Coordinator: Niyanta Kotecha

India's astounding diversity of religions, languages, and cultures is unique and unparalleled. The society is a vast subcontinent, varied and complex in its rich heritage, and is among the oldest in the world. This year our pavilion will consist of an excellent collection of Indian handicrafts, artefacts and jewelry as well as Henna/Mehendi painting. Henna/Mehendi is a form of body art from Ancient India, in which decorative designs are created on a person's body, using a paste, created from the powdered dry leaves of the henna plant (*Lawsonia inermis*), this is believed to bring good luck to the person wearing the Henna. This year we will also be showcasing both traditional and modern Indian culture in the form of 3 different dance performances by our very talented artists of varying age groups. These dances will reflect India's vastly diverse culture of different states. The costumes of all the dancers will be a glamorous display of Indian ethnic wear.

INDONESIA

Pavilion Coordinator: Julia Sugityo

The Indonesia Pavilion is the home of diversity. Through our brief video presentation, we will share our culture which is filled with vibrant, colorful, and attractive costumes, dances and music, and delicious Indonesian food. It will give you an opportunity to get familiar with

traditional clothing from various regions in Indonesia, arts and local crafts. You can also learn common phrases in Indonesian (Bahasa Indonesia) with our hosts at Pavilion. We love to showcase Indonesian traditional dances, and Angklung music to the local communities in Calgary.

This year, we will showcase our 3 Indonesian dances, plate dance, Petruk Dance, and fun and upbeat line dancing that audiences can participate in and enjoy. We will also feature our Angklung group that plays Indonesian folk songs and favorite Country and Pop songs like Take me home Country Road, I have a Dream, Could I have this dance, and more.

The Angklung is a very unique musical instrument that is a new adventure for Canadian audiences. It is made out of bamboo tubes attached to a bamboo frame. These tubes are carved and tuned to octaves. Each Angklung creates a resonant, deep, and prolonged pitch when struck. This musical instrument can be played by a single person or a group like us.

Our dance and Angklung groups are excited to share our culture with you. You do not want to miss it. Please come and look out for us on the stage.

IRAN

Pavilion Coordinator: Aminreza Abbasi

Welcome to the Iran Pavilion at GlobalFest! Step into a world where you can enjoy the soothing sounds of traditional Persian music and admire beautiful artifacts. Our main highlight this year is "The Legacy of Persian Civilization and Poetry" where you can learn about Iran's extensive history and explore the beautiful artistry of famous poets such as Rumi. Don't miss out on having flavourful and unique Iranian treats. We also offer fun workshops where you can learn about the Persian Empire timeline and different aspects of our fascinating culture.

Come and experience Iranian culture in a friendly setting that celebrates our heritage!

JAPAN

Pavilion Coordinator: Tomo Honda

Whether you're gearing up to visit Japan with the recent re-launch of direct flights or simply want to learn more about this fascinating nation, make sure to stop by the Japan Pavilion's booth. Hosted by the Calgary Japanese Community Association, the booth offers a wealth of information and captivating cultural displays.

Experience the charm of a cozy Japanese street-style mini market, where you can discover must-visit hotspots in Japan and enjoy snacks and drinks imported directly from Japan. Explore numerous opportunities in Calgary to immerse yourself in Japanese culture. Plus, you'll have the chance to chat with students from Japan about

their hometowns, potentially uncovering hidden gems in the mini Japanese market. Don't miss this exciting opportunity to dive into the wonders of Japan right here in Globalfest!

KOREA – NEW FOR 2024

Pavilion Coordinator: Anna Jun

Through the Global Fest event, we will showcase Korean culture at the Korean Pavilion, offering a photo zone with a traditional Korean backdrop for visitors to take pictures and learn about our culture. Additionally, we will have booths dedicated to promoting K-culture, introducing Korean tourism, offering Korean food, games, and products for visitors to experience. This opportunity will allow us to promote traditional Korean culture, introduce Korean products, and facilitate the sharing of information with other countries, thereby fostering greater understanding of our nation.

The background we will use for photo booth is called Irworobongdo. Irworobongdo is a Korean folding screen highly stylized landscape painting of sun and moon, five peaks which always was set behind Eojwa, the king's royal throne during the Joseon Dynasty.

It literally means "Painting of the Sun, Moon and the Five Peaks." The sun and moon symbolize the king and queen while the five peaks denotes a mythical place. The screen serves to display the majesty of the Joseon royal court. The scene depicts a burning red sun, a full moon, five craggy peaks, and two fast-flowing streams with cascades, all flanked by a pair of conifers.

KURDISTAN

Pavilion Coordinator: Issa Mosa

Explore the Kurdistan Pavilion!

The Kurdistan Pavilion celebrates Kurdish history and culture, showcasing our rich heritage through traditional decorations, music featuring the Tanbur, and vibrant Kurdish clothing. Experience the Kurdish dance and enjoy the warmth of Kurdish hospitality. Join us for a journey through the heart of Kurdish culture and traditions.

MEXICO

Pavilion Coordinators: Cynthia Bringas & Elizabeth Valencia

Hola Amigos, come experience the hospitality of Mexican people.

Mexico is a unique country with endless distinct cultural facets, including its history, arts, music nature and daily modern life. Mexico's rich culture is the direct result of amalgamation of ancient cultures such as Aztecs, Mayans and Zapotecas and varies migration and immigrations patterns that Mexico has undergone throughout its Mesoamerican and Colonial history.

The unbreakable link of ancient traditions and believes gave way to the unique blend of indigenous ideology and catholicism which make up modern Mexico.

We see the evolution of these customs reflected not only in the traditions and physical characteristics of Mexicans today but also in Mexico's architecture. Pyramids and traditional Roman Catholic churches are seen throughout the country. One can even find a blend of indigenous, Spanish and modern architecture together as seen in the prominent Plaza of the three cultures. Folkloric dances reflect part of historic Mexican identity and way of life. Each region has its unique style of music and dance base on the landscape, historical events and cultural background of the settlers who emigrated there. Viva la danza group founded in 2007 is committed to sharing the Mexican folklore and dances from all over Mexico because they believe that music and dance are one way to preserve Mexican values that also enhance our souls. Our pavilion invites you to explore different paths of Mexico throughout our beautiful displays and activities.

Hasta la vista amigos.

PAKISTAN

Pavilion Coordinators: Fouzia Ali & Zia-Ul-Haq

Assalamu Alaikum (Kush Amdead) means welcome to the Pakistan Pavilion.

Stretching from the mighty Himalayas in the north to the vast Arabian Sea, Pakistan truly is a gateway between continents, cultures, civilizations and history. The Pakistan Punjabi Culture Council Of North America has worked hard to preserve and promote this culture within Canada. Pakistani have been making Alberta their home for many years. Visiting the Pakistan Pavilion reveals a rich tapestry of languages, customs and traditions. Come and see some of the world's most beautiful cultural artifacts including clothing, jewelry, handicrafts, embroidered shawls and henna tattoos. We promise that a visit to the Pakistan Pavilion will feel as though the silk and spice trading routes of the ancient past have found their way to Calgary!

PHILIPPINES

Mindanao – Filipino Arts and Culture Society of Alberta

Pavilion Coordinator: Marietta Pangan
Artists Coordinator: Sharon Nolasco
Music Coordinator: Mario Leo Concepcion
Technical Coordinator: Maria Luisa Moreno

The southern region of the Philippines, encompassing the vast islands of Mindanao and the Sulu Archipelago, has been the resilient home of Filipino Muslims since the 14th century. Their history is a testament to their unwavering strength, a crucial component of the country's historical development.

The Muslim ethnic groups in Mindanao and Sulu are united by ideological solid and geographical ties. They are culturally linked to Southeast Asian Muslim countries and, with a 500-year political history in the Philippines, have the most extended political experience among all groups.

The culture of Philippine Muslims is a fascinating fusion of Islam and Adat, a blend that harmoniously combines pre-Islamic culture with the philosophical interpretation of Islam. With eleven groups in the region, their shared language is still actively spoken, fostering a strong sense of community.

Their music, dance, and costumes are a captivating kaleidoscope of Arabian and Indo-Malayan influences, intriguingly capturing the unique mosaic of Filipino culture.

ROMANIA

Cultural Pavilion Coordinator: Veronica Chirnoaga
Bine ați venit la Pavilionul Cultural Românesc!

Welcome to the Romanian Cultural Pavilion!

Romania's rich tapestry of history, culture, and natural beauty makes it a truly fascinating destination to explore in Eastern Europe. From its famous landmarks and unique traditions to its renowned literary figures and culinary delights, Romania offers a diverse and enriching experience for visitors looking to immerse themselves in a vibrant and dynamic country. Each aspect of Romania's heritage, from its ancient folk traditions to its modern artistic achievements, contributes to the country's allure and makes it a compelling destination for those seeking to discover the depth and richness of its cultural identity.

SCOTLAND

Pavilion Coordinators: Rayna Moffatt & Adam Dahmer

Fàilte oirbh uile! Welcome, everyone!

Alberta and Scotland have a long, shared history of cultural interaction, as you can see from the many placenames of Scottish origin that crop up around the province. These include Canmore (from the Scottish Gaelic ceann mòr, meaning 'big head'), Banff (originally from the Scottish Gaelic Banbha, a Scottish land goddess who also gave her name to a town in Scotland), Airdrie (from the Scottish Gaelic àrd ruighe, meaning 'high flats'), and even Calgary itself (named after a beach called Calgairidh, in the Scottish Isle of Mull, the name of which comes in turn from the Scottish Gaelic caladh gàraidh, meaning 'garden harbor').

If you come to our pavilion, we'll help you get further acquainted with Scottish culture! We'll teach you some Scottish Gaelic, show you some traditional Scottish dances, and let you get your photo taken with a life-

size picture of Niseag (that is, Nessie – the Loch Ness monster)! If you want to, you can also buy Scottish-themed wears from local Calgarian merchants, and even join the St. Andrew-Caledonian Society (Calgary's local Scottish Society)!

In short, the Scottish Pavilion has something for everyone – fun for the whole family! Tha sinn an dòchas gum faic sinn an sin sibh! We hope to see you there!

SLOVENIA

Pavilion Coordinators: Steven Terenta & Dave Langerholz

Dober dan! "Good Day!"

Welcome to Slovenia. You can't spell Slovenia without love. We at the Slovensko Kanadsko Društvo – Calgary, (Slovenian Canadian Club of Calgary), are excited to participate in our fifth Globalfest. We would like to take you on a journey to this South Central European country of just over 2 million people. From the majestic Alps to the warm Adriatic Sea, forest, caves and plains, Slovenia and their people have much to offer. Come join Slovenian – Canadians and explore all your senses with us!

THAILAND

Pavilion Coordinator: Nivat (Mark) Chainarongpinij

Sawasdee (Hello) everyone,

On behalf of the Thai Cultural Council of Calgary (TCCC), we would like to invite you to the Thai Cultural Pavilion for Globalfest 2023.

The TCCC was established in 2020 with encouragement from the Department of Cultural Promotion, Ministry of Culture of the Thai Government. Our main objective is to promote Thai fine arts and Thai culture.

A group of enthusiastic & energetic Thai's living in Calgary agreed with the vision that this is a very important project that would help maintain & sustain our Thai culture, not only for our families, but also for the community at large, now and for our future generations. Therefore, we pooled our ideas and resources and formed the TCCC.

Thailand is a Kingdom of wonder. It has a rich cultural heritage & diverse landscape of great natural beauty featuring Buddhist temples, exotic wildlife, & spectacular islands & beaches.

Along with a fascinating history, we have a unique culture that includes delectable Thai food; unique traditional Thai massage; Thai classical music and dances; & Muay Thai, a form of martial art that has attracted international popularity. Thailand features our capital Bangkok and several modern cities with friendly & hospitable people who epitomize Thailand's "Land of Smiles"!

TCCC has a dream—our dream is to see a prosperous Calgary as the safest city in the world. We envision Calgarians who live in harmony with one another and build strong relationships & better understanding within every ethnic community for all Canadians. We hope that our Thai culture can play a small part in enriching our multicultural society.

To learn more about Thai cultures and traditions, please come and see us at our Globalfest pavilion, or visit our Thai Cultural Council of Calgary page on Facebook.

TÜRKIYE

Pavilion Coordinators: Serhan Tarkan & Selma Alkiz

Welcome to Türkiye! We have officially changed our name with the UN so that future generations will not be confused with the bird, turkey. Türkiye sits at the crossroads of thousands of years of civilizations. We are surrounded by the rich culture and heritage of those who have come and stayed on these vast lands between Europe and Asia. Among the many of the wonders of Türkiye, Cappadocia, Ephesus, Nemrut, Hagia Sophia, and Troya stand out as millions of tourists flock to Türkiye to see the sights and the history. What most people take away after they are immersed in the stunning diversity is the warmth and generosity of the people of Türkiye.

We as Turks owe most of the industrialization and unification to the founder of the Republic of Türkiye to Mustafa Kemal Atatürk. He has often been praised by many countries around the world as a true hero, taking

a mostly rural illiterate society of many different ethnic groups and defining a country based on values, beliefs and the power of equality. He transformed the alphabet, the calendar and secularized Türkiye into a modern state. Although his brilliant foresight has been tested in recent decades, most Turks are proud of the leader whom we were very fortunate to have had.

Come to the TÜRKIYE Pavilion and start a discussion with us and experience the unique cultural and historical significance of our great country.

Görüşmek üzere/Hope to see you.

UKRAINE

Pavilion Coordinators: Tetiana Minkovska & Iryna Goulet

Ukraine is the homeland of the brave people, who love their country, respect history and traditions and work hard towards a bright future.

The best way to get to know a Ukrainian is to visit our Pavilion. We will be happy to meet with you, and share information about our beautiful country with a long history, diverse traditions and customs, and a wonderful language. You will be welcomed and immersed in the traditions of Ukraine through handmade selections of the very best and unique custom pieces of art combined with an atmosphere of fun and festivity.

The hospitality of our volunteers will surely make this a pavilion to remember!



INDIVIDUALS AND FAMILIES IN NEED PROGRAM

One of GlobalFest's goals is to reduce or eliminate financial barriers for individuals who wish to attend the festival. In 2009, GlobalFest began donating one general admission ticket for every ticket purchased during our annual holiday season promotion to the IFIN program.

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1. Download the [Cluesolvers app](#) or pick up your Passport at the Cluesolvers tent.
2. Visit as many Cultural Pavilions as your travel-bug heart desires!
3. Ask the Pavilion Ambassadors the questions that correspond to their regions.
4. Record your answers in the app or receive your stamps from the Pavilion Ambassadors.
5. After you have completed as many questions as you desire, the app will automatically enter you into the draw or you can submit your stamped passport booklet into the ballot boxes at each exit of the park.
6. Your name will be entered in a draw to win one of **two amazing prizes** from Air Canada.

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SILVER PRIZE: VALUED AT \$3,200

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Two economy class tickets anywhere in Canada that Air Canada flies
Conditions apply

Prize categories are divided based on the number of Pavilions visited.

The more Pavilions you explore, the bigger the prize!

Thank you to our Passport Pursuit partners for making this possible!



SPAIN
THURS, AUG 15

BRASIL
SAT, AUG 17

MEXICO
TUES, AUG 20

USA
THURS, AUG 22

FINALE
SAT, AUG 24

TD TD MAIN STAGE

	6:30-6:40PM / China Northwestern China Community Association of Alberta	6:30-6:45PM / Africa South Sudan Acholi Dance Pride	6:30-6:40PM / Hungary Vadrozsa Hungarian Folk Dancers Calgary	6:30-6:40PM / Croatia Vila Velebita & Hrvatske Zlatne Zice
6:30-7:15PM / China Harmony Guzheng Ensemble	6:45-6:55PM / India Abhivyakti Indian Dance School	6:50-7:00PM / Japan Yosoca	6:45-6:55PM / Romania Romanian Canadian Cultural Association Of Calgary	6:45-7:10PM / Thailand Thai Cultural Council of Calgary, Muay Thai Demonstration
	7:00-7:25PM / Bangladesh Bangladeshi Society of Calgary	7:05-7:20PM / Francophonie Isabelle Cliché	7:00-7:15PM / Hungary Vadrozsa Hungarian Folk Dancers Calgary	
7:20-7:30PM / Philippines Filipino Arts and Culture Society of Alberta		7:25-7:35PM / Philippines Maharlika Divas	7:20-7:35PM / Romania Romanian Canadian Cultural Association Of Calgary	7:15-7:30PM / Croatia Vila Velebita & Hrvatske Zlatne Zice
7:35-7:50PM / Iran Hymmelodies	7:30-7:45PM / China Northwestern China Community Association of Alberta	7:40-8:05PM / Scotland Glenrose Highland Dancers with Jeanie Hawes	7:40-7:55PM / China Peach Plum Art Academy	7:35-8:00PM / Indonesia Canadian Indonesian Social Club
8:00-8:15PM / Philippines Filipino Arts and Culture Society of Alberta	8:00-8:25PM / Japan Yama no Oto	8:10-8:20PM / Mexico Viva la Danza!, Mexican Folkore Dance Ensemble	8:00-8:05PM Cultural Performances	
8:20-8:25PM Cultural Performances		8:25-8:30PM / Mexico Mariachi Internacional Sol Azteca	8:10-8:25PM / Thailand Calgary Classical Thai Dance Group	8:05-8:30PM / Azerbaijan Azeri Calgary Stars
8:30-8:45PM / Thailand Calgary Classical Thai Dance Group	8:30-8:45PM / India Abhivyakti Indian Dance School	8:35-8:45PM / Japan Yosoca	8:30-8:45PM / China Peach Plum Art Academy	8:35-9:00PM / Ukraine Tryzub Ukrainian Dance Ensemble
8:50-9:15PM / Pakistan Soul Feet Dance Productions	8:50-9:15PM / Brasil Samba Brasil Heritage Dance Group, Trio Quebra Gelo, Capoeira Aché Brasil Calgary	8:50-9:15PM / Mexico Viva la Danza!, Mexican Folkore Dance Ensemble & Mariachi Internacional Sol Azteca	8:50-9:15PM / Venezuela Dynamic Latin Soul	9:05-9:15PM / Blackfoot Crossing Blackfoot Crossing Historical Park Dance Troupe



AIR CANADA

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6:30-7:30PM / Blackfoot Crossing Blackfoot Crossing Historical Park Dance Troupe & Tipi Demonstration	6:30-6:55PM / Brasil Samba Brasil Heritage Dance Group, Trio Quebra Gelo, Capoeira Aché Brasil Calgary	6:30-7:30PM Citizenship Ceremony	6:30-6:40PM / Philippines Filipino Arts and Culture Society of Alberta	6:30-6:55PM / Indonesia Canadian Indonesian Social Club
			6:45-6:55PM / India Dance Due	
	7:05-7:30PM / Korea K-Pop Performance		7:00-7:10PM / Hungary Vadrozsa Hungarian Folk Dancers Calgary	7:00-7:25PM / Ukraine Tryzub Ukrainian Dance Ensemble
			7:15-7:25PM / Romania Romanian Canadian Cultural Association of Calgary	
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			7:50-8:05PM / Venezuela Dynamic Latin Soul	
8:05-8:15PM / Mexico Viva la Danza!, Mexican Folkore Dance Ensemble	8:05-8:15PM / Bangladesh Bangladeshi Society of Calgary	8:00-8:25PM / Korea Calgary Korean Seniors Association Drum Team, PpureePae	8:10-8:25PM / India Dance Due	8:00-8:25PM / Japan Midnight Taiko Kai
8:20-8:30PM / Philippines Maharlika Divas	8:20-8:40PM / Japan Yosoca		8:28-8:43PM / Hungary Vadrozsa Hungarian Folk Dancers Calgary	8:30-9:00PM / Blackfoot Crossing Blackfoot Crossing Historical Park Dance Troupe & Tipi Demonstration
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International Fireworks Festival

The International Fireworks illuminate the sky with a colliding orchestra of light and sound. 2024 features presentations produced by world-class pyro musical artists, including 2023 Champion Spain, Brazil, Mexico and the USA; plus GlobalFest's own spectacular Finale presentation by Canada's Archangel Fireworks.

Each night of fireworks by the presenting country has adjudicators looking for several things:

- The quality of the display
- Originality of the artistic concept: the choice of music and staging
- Brilliance and richness of colours used
- 50% of the music used is native to the presenting country
- Synchronization: the precision of the marriage between music, sound effects, and fireworks
- Scope of the work

The result of these artistic requirements are presentations that cannot be seen anywhere else in the world, making each night of the International Fireworks a world premier presentation.

The lake at Elliston Park adds a special dimension to the festival – the reflections in the water add a fluid, shimmering mirror of the show taking place above. It is the designer's hope that the audience will lose themselves in the colours and rhythms of the display, while simultaneously being mesmerized by the cadence of the explosions and glittering forms.

Title of Show:
SUEÑOS (DREAMS)

SPAIN
THURSDAY, AUGUST 15

Designer:
DANIEL TAMARIT OLMOS

Musical Program:

1. Desecrated
2. Una Rosa Es Una Rosa
3. Hijos Del Verbo Amar
4. Narcotic
5. Mix Camilo Sesto
6. Amparito Roca
7. Never Enough
8. Facing Fears

Revolt Music / Tormented 2
Mecano /Aidalai
Pablo Lopez / El Mundo
Dimitri Vegas / Narcotic
Camilo Sesto / Varios
Jaume Teixidor / Amparito Roca
Loren Allred / The Greatest Showman
Ivan Torrent / Immortalys

This is a show designed to search for those senses that are only reached in a state of unconsciousness and dreams. In our dreams every state of being becomes reality- rest and recharging, redefined outlooks on life, illusion, even nightmares and fear. We take you to understand our experiences in unconsciousness by combining music and sounds of all kinds with the brilliant light of our art.



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Title of Show:
PAÍS TROPICAL

BRAZIL

SATURDAY, AUGUST 17

Designer:
ENZO FEROLDI

Musical Program:

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| 1. "5th Symphony" | <i>Beethoven</i> |
| 2. Cavalgada das Valquírias | <i>Richard Wagner</i> |
| 3. Mas que nada | <i>Sergio Mendes Feat. Black Eyed Peas</i> |
| 4. Macetando | <i>Ivete Sangalo & Ludmilla</i> |
| 5. Crazy in Love | <i>Beyonce feat. Jay-Z</i> |
| 6. Girl From Rio | <i>(feat. DaBaby) Anitta</i> |
| 7. Drum Machine | <i>Alok & Pickle</i> |
| 8. Tive sim (ao vivo no rio de janeiro/ 2006) | <i>Zeca Pagodinho</i> |
| 9. Brasileirinho (Funk Remix) | <i>João Brasil</i> |
| 10. Rap da Felicidade | <i>Selva, DJ Malboro & Cidinho & Doca</i> |
| 11. O que é, o que é? | <i>Gonzaguinha</i> |
| 12. Preta Pretinha | <i>Novos Baianos</i> |
| 13. Lovely Day | <i>Bill Withers</i> |
| 14. A Sky Full of Stars | <i>Coldplay</i> |
| 15. Love of my life | <i>Queen</i> |
| 16. Tá Escrito | <i>Grupo Revelação</i> |
| 17. We Are One (Ole Ola) | <i>feat. Jennifer Lopez & Claudia Leite by Pitbull</i> |

Brazil represents with the America's theme "Tropical Country" through the culture of great singers who, through music, express the joy, beauty and vibrancy of our country.

Title of Show:
BUENO ONDA

MEXICO

TUESDAY, AUGUST 20

Designer:
**RODRIGO RAMIREZ
PLANTER**

Musical Program:

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| 1. Barrio | <i>Thalia</i> |
| 2. Harley Quinn | <i>Fuerza Regida & Marshmello</i> |
| 3. Dueles Tan Bien | <i>Bruses</i> |
| 4. Oye Como Va | <i>Santana (Carlos Santana)</i> |
| 5. Volver | <i>Neoplen, Zindu Cano & Ampersan</i> |
| 6. Mexico | <i>Dimitri Vegas, Like Mike, Ne-Yo and Danna Paola</i> |
| 7. Un Polo Loco | <i>Anthony Gonzalez & Gael García Bernal</i> |
| 8. Kalashnikov | <i>Clave Especial</i> |
| 9. 48 Roses | <i>Mariachi El Bronx</i> |

Music has always been an important part of Mexican culture. While we all know the classic Mariachi band style that we see in movies and on today's resorts, there is so much more to offer nowadays from within Mexico. Its peoples have diverse histories and the music being made now in Mexico and its influences are as diverse. Mariachi bands still play today in town squares across Mexico and we ask you to take the trip there with us to flower covered stone and iron archways and then move with us to the massive stadiums that serve huge crowds for modern Mexican music. A bit of everything to bring you to Mexico as we see it.

Title of Show:
COSMIC CONNECTIONS

USA
THURSDAY, AUGUST 22

Designer:
ZACH TAMINOSIAN

Musical Program:

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| 1. Don't Stop Me Now | <i>Queen</i> |
| 2. My Universe | <i>Coldplay</i> |
| 3. Counting Stars | <i>OneRepublic</i> |
| 4. Stars Align | <i>Lindsey Stirling</i> |
| 5. Satellite | <i>Khalid</i> |
| 6. Rewrite The Stars | <i>Zac Efron & Zendaya</i> |
| 7. Cosmic Love | <i>Florence & the Machine</i> |
| 8. A Sky Full of Stars | <i>Coldplay</i> |
| 9. Cecilia and the Satellite | <i>Andrew McMahon</i> |
| 10. Total Eclipse of the Heart | <i>Exit Eden</i> |

The human condition is universally punctuated by the love, relationships, and heartbreak encountered during this journey called life. These emotions often feel as though they transcend earthly bounds, resonating through the vast expanse of the universe. "Cosmic Connections" seeks to explore this phenomenon. Come along as we step into a realm where the heavens dance with fire and music in perfect harmony. "Cosmic Connections" aspires to be a celebration of the universal bond that illuminates our place in the grand expanse of the night sky.

Title of Show:
UNITY

FINALE
SATURDAY, AUGUST 24

Designer:
KELLY GUILLE

Musical Program:

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| 1. Henosis | <i>Trevor Olfert</i> |
| 2. Id Like to Teach The World to Sing | <i>The New Seekers</i> |
| 3. Everyday People | <i>Sly & The Family Stone</i> |
| 4. Bridge Over Troubled Waters | <i>Simon & Garfunkel</i> |
| 5. You've Got a Friend In Me | <i>Alala</i> |
| 6. Come Together | <i>Sershen & Zaritskaya (No Apology)</i> |
| 7. K'naan | <i>Waving Flag</i> |
| 8. What A Wonderful World | <i>Reuben & The Dark</i> |
| 9. Variations on What A Wonderful World | <i>Trevor Olfert</i> |

Unity. This seems like a distant past concept in so many of today's conversations and political arenas. Songwriters have been expressing this feeling since the earliest recordings, begging for people to unify for whatever cause was forefront in culture. Today musicians simply look for unity to fight separation, to fight negativity, to just feel good. As you watch this show please listen to the music and hear the requests to come together and be anything but apart. Unify to be more than fine, unify to stop fighting, unify to be great. Things can be tough, but its better holding hands.

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Remix Vodka Soda

Salted Lime

Ocaso Tequila Soda

Spicy Watermelon

Ocaso Tequila Soda

WINE

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Jackson Triggs

Merlot

Jackson Triggs

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