



*Saturday,
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3 - 9 p.m. in Nicollet Commons Park

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INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL OF BURNSVILLE SET FOR SATURDAY, JULY 11

Celebrate Culture with Music, Art, Food and More

Celebrate all corners of the world at the International Festival of Burnsville. This FREE event is set for Saturday, July 11 from 3 to 9 p.m. at Nicollet Commons Park and the Ames Center. The festival will showcase a variety of entertainment, food and festivities.

Festival-goers can join in family activities such as face painting, crazy hair, balloon twister art, henna tattoos, hair braiding and cultural art projects; visit cultural exhibits sharing ethnic facts and traditions; and take time to see the "Worldly Treasures" display in the Ames Center. There will also be a "Meet and Greet" with festival artists from 4 to 5 p.m. in the gallery.

The Festival will feature performances by:

- Hounds of Finn (Irish band)
- Sahar School of Middle Eastern Dance (Turkish dance)
- School of India for Language & Culture (Indian dance)
- Iny Dance Theatre (Asian dance)
- Mongolian Circus (Mongolian performance)
- Ballroom and Latin Dance Club (Latin dance)
- Kalpulli Yaocenoxtli (Central American performance)
- Universal Dance Destiny (African dance)
- Orkestar Bez Ime (Balkan dance)
- Hawaiian Islanders (Hawaiian/Pacific Islander band)

The International Festival committee will also be selling raffle tickets the day of, and leading up to the festival. All proceeds go to help support this year's festival. Tickets are \$10 each and are available at Burnsville City Hall, 100 Civic Center Parkway, or during the festival.

If the weather looks bad, all events will be held indoors at the Ames Center. Nicollet Commons Park is located at 12600 Nicollet Ave., south of Highway 13. Free parking is available in the Ames Center parking ramp and the Heart of the City Park and Ride ramp located off of 126th Street.

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