

August 2016 Newsletter

The International Taste of Columbus is Here!



Don't miss out on this great event; get your tickets today to enjoy our favorite annual tradition! For over 40 years, we have been dedicated to *Promoting International Understanding Through Intercultural Exchange*, and our signature fundraising event is the perfect way to celebrate Columbus' amazing international culture.

This year's International Taste of Columbus will give guests the opportunity to try authentic international cuisine from **30 different local restaurants** paired with an excellent selection of wines chosen by our hosts, [Mozart's Bakery and Piano Café](#). There will also be local and internationally-inspired entertainment, including music by **Arnett Howard and Mark Werling**, and **complimentary henna tattoos from HennabySana**. On top of it all, the event is headlined by the main event, an exciting **Live Auction**. The auction features **29 beautiful pieces by local artists** representing a variety of styles, each paired with great gift items donated by **50 donors** from around Ohio and around the world.

The International Taste of Columbus is ***the not-to-be-missed annual tradition*** to celebrate global culture in Columbus. Reserve your tickets now!



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The 42nd Annual International Taste of Columbus

Enjoy an all-you-can-eat sampling of food from these great local restaurants:

Banana Leaf	Hubert's Polish Kitchen	Scandinavian Club of Columbus
Barroluco Argentine Comfort Food	Intercontinental Restaurant	Secret Vessel Hot Pot
BD's Mongolian Grill	Kolache Republic Café & Bakery	Spaghetti Warehouse
Blue Ginger	Korean Chamber of Commerce	Sunflower Chinese Restaurant
Café Istanbul	Lao Volunteer Donation Assoc.	Lyndsie Whitehead
Cinnamon Indian Grill	Milo's Cafe	Tandoori Grill
Diamonds Ice Cream	Mozart's Bakery & Piano Cafe	Taste of Belgium
Hofbrahaus	My Old World Bakery	Uzbek Catering by Alluza
Hoyo's Kitchen	Nancy Poeppelman	Wurst und Bier
Hot Chicken Takeover	Yana Belan Russian Special	Wycliff's Kitchen

After enjoying the wonderful assortment of food from the restaurants above, guests may participate in an exciting live auction. Beautiful pieces by the local artists listed below will be paired with great items and experiences to create must-have packages. Donated items include concert and show tickets, cooking classes, and vacation getaways. To see a full list of donated items and view each art piece, visit our website at www.cipcolumbus.org/international-taste-of-columbus.

Featured Artists

Aaron Ackerman	Erica DiPaolo	Mark Fohl
AdaObinna Ijomah	Eshakia Sobukwe	Michele Garrison
Adrian Sibley	Heather Marks	Nadine Bower
Askin Ercan	Jay Byrd	Nina De l'etoile
Bernie Iannone	Jen Bodine	Shirley Beltz
Carol Scahr	Jen Etgen	Tahsin Ali
Chris Brinkman	Jennifer Hall	Tom Hubbard
Doug Slyman	Kimothy Wu	Zoe Brake

All-inclusive tickets can be purchased in advance online, or at the door (cash, check, or credit card will be accepted). To purchase your tickets online, simply visit our website by [clicking here](#). Next, click on the dark blue button on the right-hand side, then follow the prompts to check out using our secure online payment system.

If you need assistance purchasing your tickets, please call our office at (614) 221-0034 or contact marcus@cipcolumbus.org.

Parking is free, and directions can be found by [clicking here](#).

**** We recommend purchasing tickets in advance so that you can spend less time checking in, and more time enjoying the event! ****



Guests will enjoy an assortment of fine wines to please all palates.



Along with the spacious interior seating at Mozart's, guests may enjoy the newly-expanded patio.

Comings and Goings

Beijing-Columbus Summer Youth Camp Program

Last week we said farewell to the nine students, parents, and teachers of our Summer Youth Camp Program, as they wrapped up a 12-day program focusing on STEM education at COSI. Along with visiting COSI, the delegation toured Columbus and visited local attractions, including the Zoo and Kings Island. For four days during their visit, the participants stayed with host families to gain a firsthand look at everyday American culture and family life. To close out their whirlwind trip, the delegation took an all-American road trip to see national landmarks in Washington, DC and New York City, before flying home to Beijing, China.



A trip to DC must always include the White House!

We thank the wonderful hosts who helped make this program a great success: Seema and Jay Anand, Ron and Debbie Andrews, Penny and Gary Hsieh, and Mark and Nancy Poeppelman.

Shenzhen-Columbus Pink Ribbon Breast Care Program



Meeting with Ohio Health

On Monday, July 25th we welcomed families from Shenzhen, China affected by breast cancer for a 13 day program focused on breast cancer care. The eleven guests, comprised of parents and their children, arrived in Chicago and spent a day touring the city and visiting the Loyola University College of Social Work, before driving to Columbus for the main part of the program. The group met with a number of breast cancer-focused organizations, while also visiting local cultural sites, such as the Lincoln Theater. On August 2, the delegation will depart from Columbus to tour Niagara Falls, Washington, DC, Philadelphia, and New York City before returning home on August 9th.

We thank the wonderful hosts who are making this program possible: Tom and Mary Blosser, Zhixiong Chen, Cathy Elkins, Barb and Jim Kimmel, and Dick and Emilie Miller.

Rule of Law - Democratic Republic of Congo, Rwanda, and Russia

On August 1st we welcomed three guests from different countries for an 18-day program focusing on the rule of law. Miteo Kabaya of the Democratic Republic of Congo, Alexander Mugenzangabo of Rwanda, Timofey Rudas of Russia will meet with various government, legal, and educational institutions, including the Ohio Supreme Court, the Ohio State House, and the Ohio Bar Association to gain an understanding of how these institutions collectively promote the rule of law in the United States.

The three participants will be staying with hosts to gain a firsthand view of American life and culture. We thank Charles Rutonesha, Andy and Holly Drake, and Victor Wu for making this program possible!

Events and Announcements

Thanks for Attending the Nigerian Dinner

Thanks to everyone who attended our Nigerian Cultural Presentation this past month at Intercontinental Restaurant! Guests had the opportunity to listen to Henry Maduka discuss Nigerian culture and his experience training at Phillip's Pharmacy, while enjoying Esther and Wally's delicious, traditional Nigerian food. Congratulations to Henry, and Jesse Eruare, who is training at LeaderSpark, as they both finish their training in the U.S. this month!



Henry and Jesse received their certificates from CIP Executive Director Mark Poeppelman, and Board Members Marian Harris and Leo Knoblauch.

Connect with the CIPUSA Alumni Network

Our affiliate in Cleveland, the Council of International Programs USA, has created a new online network for alumni to stay connected through. Join our LinkedIn group to connect not only with staff and IPRs from Columbus International Program, but with other alumni who have participated in CIPUSA-affiliated programs around the country.

This new LinkedIn group is open to any former staff, board members, interns, or International Professionals in Residence who were with CIP, or our affiliates in Cleveland, Kalamazoo, Chicago, Phoenix, or West Virginia.

If you fit any of these criteria, find the "[CIPUSA alumni](#)" group on [LinkedIn](#) and get connected to colleagues old and new!



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