



## The International Taste of Columbus is Back

Join us for our 43rd International Taste of Columbus event! This year's event will bring new surprises and experiences, while allowing guests to continue the tradition of experiencing some of the best ethnic food made right here in Columbus! This year's cuisine will be from Nepal, in honor of our current International Professional in Residence (IPR) Rajaram Joshi, as well as the over 20,000 Bhutanese-Nepali refugees and immigrants who now call Columbus home.

The event will be held at The Kitchen, an incredible event space located in German Village. This venue blurs the line between patron and chef, with an open kitchen, allowing guests to watch the entire process of food being prepared. Check out their website [here!](#)

The Taste will feature Nepali cultural entertainment in the form of dancing, music and other surprises!

**Space is limited, so head to our website to get your tickets today!**

Saturday August 19th, 2017

*Click Here for Tickets and Information*

5:30 PM - 9 PM



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## Welcome to CIP

*Zephan Zhang and Jason Ripp have joined us for the summer and are already off to a great start! Read a little bit about them both below!*



Zhaofeng Zhang, or Zephan, is from Wuhan, a beautiful city in the middle of China. He is a senior at the Ohio State University, majoring in Economics and International Study. While at CIP, he hopes to participate in building the cultural bridge between China and the U.S. and provide ideas in intercultural exchange. Zephan has already been a huge help in this area, as he spent a large amount of time with our recent delegation from Shenzhen, serving as a translator.



Jason Ripp is a senior at Ohio State and is majoring in International Studies: World Economy and Business, with a German minor. He is originally from Madison, Wisconsin and has previously studied at the University of Tampa and the University of Melbourne. Jason transferred to OSU two years ago and is enjoying his time here in Columbus. He is excited to be at CIP for the summer, and has already started helping us with multiple different projects currently underway.

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### International Professional in Residence Update: Vivi Sdrenia



We recently had the chance to catch up with our newest International Professional in Residence (IPR), Vivi! Vivi arrived on May 4th, 2017 from Athens, Greece. She is the first IPR we have had here from Greece since 1992. She is training at The Ohio State Bar Association for the next 18 months in order to sharpen her skills as a litigator. This past week, we got the chance to catch up with her and see how things are going so far for her in Columbus! She is having a great time and learning a lot about the legal system in the United States, as well as about culture in Columbus! To read the entire interview with Vivi, visit [our website](#) here! Be on the lookout for opportunities to meet her over the coming months, she is very excited about meeting new people and making international friends!



## Shenzhen Social Work Program Recap

Already, our latest delegation of social workers and business and finance professionals have come and gone! While here, these 10 participants visited Chicago, Columbus, Niagara Falls and New York City. Group members expanded their understanding of the American Social Work system as well as the non-profit world through their meetings with eight different organizations between Chicago and Columbus. Additionally, they participated in the annual Asian Festival Dragon Boat Race and got to explore and shop in Chicago, Columbus and New York. A great time was had by all and we thank all of our partners, staff and host families for making this experience a memorable one for all, and wish our delegates the best in their futures. Check out more details and photos on [our website!](#)



*The group at lunch between meetings.*



*Pit stop on their first day in Chicago.*



*The farewell dinner at Sunflower Chinese Restaurant.*

## Dragon Boat Race 2017 Recap



*The team getting ready to race.*



*The group poses to document the fun day they had!*

CIP had another successful year at the Asian Festival's annual Dragon Boat Race! This is the second year in a row CIP has been fortunate enough to put together a team to participate in this incredibly fun cultural event. We would like to thank all of those who took the time to come out and join in the fun! It was a formative and unique experience, as we had speakers of four different languages aboard our boat. Team members had to learn to overcome language barriers in order to form a cohesive team and perform well in the race, which was accomplished. A great experience in teamwork and camaraderie was had by all. To check out more photos or videos from the race, head to the Dragon Boat website [here!](#)

# Events and Announcements

Click the image below for more information over our Mexico trip! Do not miss your chance to attend!



## REGISTER FOR CIP'S TRIP TO MEXICO TODAY!

For more information, head to our website.

Participants must register ASAP!

