

# Reston

# Multicultural

# Festival

**Saturday**

**September 23**

11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

*Discover the World in Reston!*



The Reston Multicultural Festival is a celebration of the diversity and community spirit that is found in Reston. This annual event brings together the people of Reston to celebrate our rich medley of cultures. Family, friends and neighbors are treated to entertainment, dress and cultural treasures from all over the world. This signature Reston event honors the diversity that is one of our greatest assets. Everyone is encouraged to attend in attire from their own cultural roots and share the stories that we collect on the pathways of our lives.

# Festival Welcome

**11:00 a.m. • Pavilion Stage**

**"God Bless America"**

**Performed by Beverly Cosham**

Chair, Reston Community Center Board of Governors

**Robert Goudie**

Executive Director, Reston Town Center Association

**Bryan Hill**

County Executive, Fairfax County

**Melanie Meren**

Hunter Mill District Representative, Fairfax County School Board

**Walter Alcorn**

Hunter Mill District Supervisor, Fairfax County Board of Supervisors

**Jeff McKay**

Chair, Fairfax County Board of Supervisors

**The Honorable Ken Plum**

Virginia House of Delegates

**Senator Janet Howell**

Virginia State Senate

**The Honorable Gerry Connolly**

United States House of Representatives

**"America the Beautiful"**

**Performed by Supreme Chord**





# Market Street Stroll

Global Market • 11:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

**AfricStyle Initiatives**

Ghana

**Annetti-Spaghetti**

Korea, Japan

**Arts of Asia**

Thailand, Turkey, India

**B A Hlioui Art**

Tunisia/North Africa

**Bettina Brunner**

USA

**BG Resin Art Gallery**

India

**Bulava**

Ukraine

**Chic Bijou**

USA

**Colorful Crafter**

India

**Cotton Lover**

USA

**Craft Indulgence**

India

**Distinctive Accessories & Apparel**

USA

**E3 Kids International**

Kenya

**Erika Kerscher**

**Faine Books**

USA/Ireland

**Glam? Yes, I Am**

Middle East

**Inspire Home Essentials**

USA/African American

**Japanese Culture Club**

Japan

**Kami Gifted Hands Collection LLC**

Rwanda

**Kayvee International Inc**

India

**Look 3 Times Designs**

Armenia

**Marmara Trading**

Syria, Turkey, Lebanon

**Memo Designs**

USA

**Milena Guro Designs**

Peru

**Natilyanne Art**

**Negarín Art**

Middle East

**Rashmi Designs**

India

**Rozzie Jewelry**

USA

**Sip with T's Tumblers and More**

USA

**The E-Globe**

Peru, International

**Treasures of the Queen**

**US Ukrainian Activists**

Ukraine

**Vladimir & Friends**

**Wanaan LLC**

Colombia

**Washington Bazaar**

USA

**Wunderbaby Handmade**

Germany

**Yelena Guliyeva**

Azerbaijan

*Please note: Cultural roots information is provided  
by festival craft vendors.*

# Market Street Stroll

Community Organizations • 11:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.

**AARP**

**Cornerstones**

**Dulles Area Transportation Association**

**Fairfax Connector/FCDOT**

**Fairfax County Department of Public Works,  
Wastewater Management Division**

**Fairfax County Master Gardeners**

**Fairfax County Communications Policy and Regulation Division**

**Girls on the Run of Northern Virginia**

**Hamkae Center**

**Infinity Legacy**

**League of Women Voters**

**Marva Collins Cottage School**

**Meditation Museum**

**National Endowment for the Arts Heritage Fellows**

**Northern Virginia Returned Peace Corps Volunteers**

**Patawomeck Indian Tribe of Virginia/  
Patawomeck Museum and Cultural Center**

**Reston Association**

**Reston Community Center**

**Reston Community Orchestra**

**Reston for a Lifetime**

**Reston Lions Charities**

**Reston-Dulles NCNW**

**RoSigle Community Giving Foundation**

**Stretch Zone Reston**

**Sudanese American at Dulles Area Association**

	Pavilion Stage	Market Street Stage	Park Stage	Around Reston Town Center
11:00 a.m.	Opening Ceremony			<div>Market Street Stroll</div> <div>11:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.</div> <div>Presented Up and Down Market Street</div> <div>Craft Vendors</div> <div>Community Organizations</div> <div>Family Arts &amp; Crafts Activities:</div> <div>Mexican Sugar Skulls</div> <div>Egyptian Collar Necklaces</div> <div>Peruvian Llama Friendship Bracelets</div> <div>South American Yarn Weaving</div> <div>Indian Elephant Necklaces</div> <div>Community Project: Flowers of Unity</div>
11:30 a.m.				
12:00 p.m.	Wayne Henderson & Friends – Blue Ridge Music	Traveling Players Thespian Ensemble – Young Actors Classic Comedy of Italy	Furia Flamenca Dance Company – Flamenco Style Dance	
12:30 p.m.				
1:00 p.m.	Trio Sefardi – Traditional Sephardic Music	Raqs El Hob – Egyptian and Middle Eastern Dance	Chaksam-pa featuring Tsering Wangmo Satho – Tibetan Dance and Opera	
1:30 p.m.				
2:00 p.m.	Foley Academy of Irish Dance – Irish Step Dance	Roen Hufford – Hawaiian Kapa Maker	Nomad Dancers – Central Asian Dance	
2:30 p.m.				
3:00 p.m.	Ehsas Band – English/Persian/Arabic Fusion Band	Wayne Henderson Demonstration – Luthier	Calpulli Mexican Dance Company – Mexican Folkloric Dance	
3:30 p.m.				
4:00 p.m.	Gin Dance Company – Taiwanese & Chinese Dance	Alice Gu-Zheng – Chinese Zither Music	Minnush – Modern Sephardic Fusion	
4:30 p.m.				
5:00 p.m.				
5:30 p.m.	The Legendary Ingramettes – African-American Gospel Music	Mystic Warriors – Andean Instrumental Music	Feedel Band – Jazz and Ethiopian Music	

## National Heritage Fellows



**Roen Hufford**  
Kapa Maker

2023 NEA National Heritage Fellow  
Waimea, Hawaii

Of Native Hawaiian descent, Roen Halley Kahalewai McDonald Hufford carries on the tradition of ka hana kapa making (bark-cloth) and is a leading figure in the reclamation of this nearly lost art. Barkcloth, a no loom woven fabric, once swaddled newborns, served as clothing, adorned sacred images and more. Wauke, the plant that provides the strong bast fiber for the cloth, was so important that it was carried to the Hawaiian Islands on canoes by the first Polynesian settlers. It is said you could hear the beating of kapa before you saw a village. With the introduction of cotton in the 19th century, kapa fell out of fashion and the skills nearly vanished.



**The Legendary Ingramettes**  
Gospel Artists

2022 NEA National Heritage Fellow  
Richmond, Virginia

The Legendary Ingramettes, formed by evangelist Maggie Ingram, are a celebrated gospel group from Richmond, Virginia, known as the city's "First Family of Gospel." Despite facing challenges, including being a single mother and the pre-civil rights South, Ingram's determination led the group to success. They have performed alongside renowned artists and continue to inspire audiences with their spirited performances, even after Maggie's passing, under the leadership of her daughter Almeta Ingram-Miller.

## National Heritage Fellows



**Wayne Henderson**  
Luthier

1995 NEA National Heritage Fellow  
Mouth of Wilson, Virginia

Wayne Henderson was born, raised, and still lives in Rugby, population seven, near the North Carolina border. When his first guitar proved a disappointment, he set out to build his own from the bottom of a dresser drawer. Over 656 guitars later, his playing is just as admired, and he's traveled the world sharing it. He took first place 13 times at the Galax Fiddlers' Convention guitar competition.



**Tsering Wangmo Satho**

**Tibetan Opera Singer and Dancer**

2022 NEA National Heritage Fellow  
Richmond, California

Tsering Wangmo Satho was born in a refugee settlement in southern India in 1967. Her elders served as living examples of their traditions and language. Satho trained at the Tibetan Institute of the Arts (TIPA), founded by the Dalai Lama. TIPA serves as a critical response to the threats to Tibetan culture.

# Reston Town Center Festival Map

Scan the below QR code to access the festival map, or visit  
[www.restoncommunitycenter.com/MCF](http://www.restoncommunitycenter.com/MCF) for more information.



## “Art Mirrors Culture” Exhibit

Reston Multicultural Festival Intergenerational Exhibit  
At Reston Community Center – Lake Anne • 1609-A Washington Plaza

**Jo Ann Rose Gallery**  
September 6 – October 2

**3D Gallery**  
September 8 – November 17

To help celebrate the Reston Multicultural Festival, area artists are displaying works of art that relate to their cultural heritage. The question “How does art mirror culture in your work?” was asked of RCC’s artists. What artists say about art and culture is displayed along with their work. Japan, China, Azerbaijan, France, Africa, Ireland, England, Holland, Lithuania and Sweden are just some of the countries represented in the exhibit.

## ABOUT RESTON COMMUNITY CENTER

Each year, RCC offers positive, self-development experiences that enhance the quality of life for all people living and working in Reston. RCC provides arts, aquatics, enrichment and lifelong learning experiences while fostering a sense of belonging with events and rental services. To find the programs or events that are right for you, visit [www.restoncommunitycenter.com](http://www.restoncommunitycenter.com) or call 703-476-4500.

## ABOUT RESTON TOWN CENTER ASSOCIATION

Reston Town Center Association (RTCA) is the mixed-use, governing association for the Reston Town Center, which is not only Reston’s downtown but a major employment and amenity center for the region. Core aspects of its mission include design review, support of transit-oriented development, and a strong commitment to the arts and community programming.

## ABOUT THE NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR THE ARTS

Established by Congress in 1965, the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) is the independent federal agency whose funding and support gives Americans the opportunity to participate in the arts, exercise their imaginations, and develop their creative capacities. Through partnerships, the Arts Endowment supports arts learning, affirms and celebrates America’s rich and diverse cultural heritage, and promotes equal access to the arts in every community across America.

## ABOUT THE NEA HERITAGE FELLOWS

The NEA National Heritage Fellowship is the nation’s highest honor in folk and traditional arts. Each year since 1982, the program recognizes recipients’ artistic excellence, lifetime achievement and contributions to our nation’s traditional arts heritage.

## ABOUT THE NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR THE TRADITIONAL ARTS

Founded in 1933, the National Council for the Traditional Arts (NCTA) is the nation’s oldest folk arts organization. NCTA presents the nation’s finest traditional artists in festivals, national and international tours, concerts, radio and television programs, films, recordings, and other programs. On behalf of the NEA, the NCTA manages and coordinates the National Heritage Fellowships activities honoring the Fellowship recipients.

## ABOUT BXP/RESTON TOWN CENTER

Reston Town Center is an acclaimed urban development located in the heart of Northern Virginia. Owned and managed by BXP, Reston Town Center is home to more than 50 retailers, 30 restaurants, over 2,000 residential homes and 4 million square feet of Class A office space. Since becoming one of the nation’s first developments of its kind in 1990, Reston Town Center offers residents and visitors an innovative and energizing experience with outdoor recreation spaces, dynamic seasonal traditions and events.



# Special Thanks

RCC extends special thanks to Madeleine Remez and Julia Gutiérrez-Rivera of the National Council for the Traditional Arts. Thanks also to our selection committee: Miles Stibel, Paul Douglas Michnewicz, Kaia Greene, Maggie Parker, Kevin Danaher, Karen Reedy and Victor Adebusola. As always, a very special thank you to Leila Gordon, RCC Executive Director, and BeBe Nguyen, RCC Deputy Director, along with the entire team at RCC for supporting this signature event.

## Masters of Ceremonies

Barry Bergey – Former Folk and Traditional Arts Director, NEA  
Merlyn Canas

Leila Gordon – Executive Director, Reston Community Center  
Lynn Martin Graton – Folklorist

Lisa Sechrest-Ehrhardt – RCC Board of Govenors  
Paul Thomas – RCC Board of Govenors

Blaine Waide - Associate Director, National Council for the Traditional Arts  
Semret Worku

## RCC Board of Governors

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Reston Community Center is proud to present the Reston Multicultural Festival in partnership with Reston Town Center Association. It is co-hosted at Reston Town Center by BXP.



Volunteer coordination is provided by Reston Association.

Artist and curatorial support is provided by the National Council of Traditional Arts.

