

Fact Sheet: Irvine Global Village Festival



Saturday, September 23, 10 am to 6 pm

Admission is free, off-site parking is ample with free shuttles to the event

More information: irvinefestival.org

Latest details are on the City's social media pages; follow #irvinefestival.

- Spirit of the festival is to promote understanding within our multicultural community.
 - Irvine's first Multicultural Festival took place in 1998
 - The event was named Global Village Festival in 2001
- Irvine Global Village Festival is the City of Irvine's signature event, celebrating its 16th anniversary in 2017.
 - Event for all ages
- Visitors can experience food, music, performances, people and religions from around the world, right here in Irvine.
 - More than 50 global cultures represented through music, exhibits and food.
 - 24 different world religions share information about their faith
- Festival is great for foodies, with more than 40 different restaurants
 - Everything from Taiwanese teas to German bratwurst.
- Special Kids Village will entertain younger visitors with
 - 14-foot dinosaur puppet kids can "walk" on a leash
 - Mural painting
 - Human foosball
 - Plus, kid-friendly entertainment throughout the festival.
- The world comes to Irvine with more than 100 performances
 - Five stages, plus roaming performers
 - Brazilian to Bollywood to Bluegrass
 - Demonstrations of global martial arts
 - Amazing and colorful sights and sounds
- If you're amazed by the cultural costumes seen on the stages, merchants will also be on hand with jewelry, clothing and other items from around the world.
- Global Village was voted "Best Festival" by OC weekly in 2009 and received a 2012 Cultural Diversity Award from the National League of Cities
- Irvine Global Village strives to reduce, reuse and recycle as many resources as possible with the goal of eventually becoming a zero waste event.
- Bicycle riders can park on-site in the free bicycle parking area located on a main activity area
 - Best way to access the festival, with easy in and out
- Parking is off-site with convenient, free shuttles.