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Annual celebration Neighborhoods of the World presented by ComEd returns to Navy Pier!

FREE cultural tribute every Sunday from Noon to 3 p.m., February 8 through March 29 inside Navy Pier's Crystal Gardens

CHICAGO – Neighborhoods of the World presented by ComEd at Navy Pier honors the many cultures of our city through collaborations with community organizations, consulates and museums, all in one FREE performance series.

Starting **February 8 through March 29, join us every Sunday from noon to 3 p.m. in the botanical setting of Navy Pier's Crystal Gardens.** Over the course of these eight weeks, enjoy an afternoon of lively folk music, traditional dance, cuisine, crafts and much more – **all for free** – and without ever leaving your backyard.

Neighborhoods of the World presented by ComEd begins with a celebration of Italy on Sunday, February 8 featuring Italian jazz band Espresso Manifesto. In the weeks that follow, the series pays tribute to India, Africa, China, Lithuania, Philippines, Greece and Mexico.

Highlights also include the tribute to Black History Month through Celebrate Africa on February 22 featuring a panel of notable Black Americans, African musicians, storytelling, singing and dancing. On March 1, welcome the Year of the Goat and the Chinese New Year with a celebration featuring lion dances, singing, martial art exhibitions and Chinese drummers.

This year's celebrated cultures include:

February 8: Celebrate Italy
In partnership with Italian Cultural Institute and Joint Civic Committee of Italian Americans

February 15: Celebrate Amazing India
In partnership with Indo-American Heritage Museum and Consulate General of India

February 22: Celebrate Africa and Navy Pier Celebrates Black History Month
In partnership with Africa International House USA

March 1: Chinese Celebration and Celebrate Chinese New Year
In partnership with Chinese Fine Arts Society

March 8: Celebrate Lithuania
In partnership with Consulate General of Lithuania

March 15: Philippine Celebration
In partnership with Consulate General Philippines and Philippine American Cultural Foundation

March 22: Greek Celebration
In partnership with Consulate General of Greece

March 29: Celebrate Mexico
In partnership with Consulate General of Mexico and Mexico Tourism Board

Come enjoy the Sunday Neighborhoods of the World series and all of Navy Pier's restaurants and attractions and save every day with discount parking rates at Navy Pier Garages (located at 600 E. Grand Avenue) now through March 31.
Visit www.navypier.com for all event details.

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Located on Lake Michigan, Navy Pier is the #1 leisure destination in the Midwest, welcoming nearly nine million visitors annually. Originally opened in 1916 as a shipping and recreation facility, this Chicago landmark showcases more than 50 acres of parks, restaurants, attractions, shops, sightseeing and dining cruise boats, exposition facilities and more. Navy Pier, Inc., a 501 (c)(3) not-for-profit organization, maintains and oversees Navy Pier and its redevelopment into a bolder, greener and more contemporary urban space. For more information, visit our website at www.navypier.com.