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## **Neighborhoods of the World presented by ComEd continues at Navy Pier this weekend with our Philippine Celebration!**

*FREE cultural tribute every Sunday from Noon to 3 p.m. through March 29 in Crystal Gardens; Artist begins 100 ft. long mural inside Navy Pier*

**CHICAGO** – Only three Sundays remain to celebrate the rich tapestry of Chicago’s diverse communities at **Neighborhoods of the World presented by ComEd at Navy Pier**. This weekly event series honors the many cultures of our city through collaborations with community organizations, consulates and museums, all in one free performance series. This week we will have a **Philippine Celebration** in partnership with the **Consulate General of the Philippines and the Philippine American Cultural Foundation**.

**Continuing now through March 29, join us every Sunday from noon to 3 p.m. in the botanical setting of Navy Pier’s Crystal Gardens.** Enjoy an afternoon of lively folk music, traditional dance, cuisine, crafts and much more – **all for free** – and without ever leaving your backyard.

**Plus, come see Chicago area artist Pete Nawara as he begins a new and exciting large-scale hand-painted mural called “Pier People” inside Navy Pier!**

Once completed, the mural will stand more than 100 feet long, 16 feet high and will be located inside near Navy Pier’s new food experience. “Pier People” will feature hand-painted images of guests photographed at Navy Pier by Nawara as they visit and experience Neighborhoods of the World and other areas throughout the Pier.

Visit Navy Pier now through early April to track Pete's progress, and you just might get photographed by Pete for the new mural!

In the weeks that follow, Neighborhoods of the World will pay tribute to the following cultures:

**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](http://www.navypier.com) for all event details.

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**NAVY PIER**

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](http://www.navypier.com).