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International Folk Festival

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Annual International Folk Festival Returns to Wade Oval

CLEVELAND--2 May 2011—The International Services Center's (ISC) annual International Folk Festival swirls onto University Circle's Wade Oval Sunday, June 26, from 2:00 to 6:00 p.m. with music, dance and song from around the world.

The Festival is free and open to the public, presented with the support of the Western Reserve Historical Society, Cleveland Council on World Affairs, International Community Council, Council of International Programs USA, City of Cleveland Community Relations Board, Cleveland Public Library, and WIN (Worldwide International Network)-Cleveland.

Greater Clevelanders can enjoy the richness of the city's international flavor by savoring the artistic expressions of many cultures without leaving home. Performing artists representing a host of nationalities, including Chinese, Hungarian, Indian, Irish, Israeli, Japanese, Liberian, Polish, and Puerto Rican will share the best of their nations' folk arts on the amphitheater stage.

The audience is invited to bring lawn chairs and blankets to the Folk Fest. Attendees will be able to enjoy the handcrafts and flavors of far-away cultures, too. Specialty foods from Cleveland's popular "mobile restaurants" will be available for purchase as well as fair-trade goods.

Karin Wishner, Executive Director of International Services Center, invites the greater Cleveland community to attend the Folk Festival. "The International Services Center is excited to present our 22nd annual International Folk Festival at University Circle. The beautiful outdoor setting in Cleveland's cultural center allows everyone to participate in a more interactive way. The festival is free of charge to enable everyone to share in the celebration of Cleveland's cultural diversity."

Additional organizations supporting the Folk Festival include the Cleveland Council on World Affairs, International Community Council, Council of International Programs USA, the City of Cleveland Community Relations Board, Cleveland Public Library, Nordson Corporation, Forest City Enterprises, Margaret W. Wong & Associates, and Consolidated Graphics Group.

Wade Oval is located in the heart of University Circle, at East Boulevard, north of Euclid Avenue.

For more information about the International Folk Festival or International Services Center, call 216.781.4560.