



KENT INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL

17th Annual

**Saturday,  
May 31st, 2025**

Entertainment on Two Stages - 10 am - 5 pm

Cultural, Crafts & Information Booths - 10 am - 5 pm

International Taste of Kent Food Court - 11am - 3 pm



## 4 CULTURE STAGE

### INSIDE



Time	Performers	Guest Announcer
10:10	Welcome & National Anthem	Mayor Dana Ralph
10:15	Little Multilingual Academy	Bill Boyce, Kent City Council Member
10:30	Baile Folklore Colibri	Bill Boyce, Kent City Council Member
11:00	Lak Daruwo	Satwinder Kaur, Kent City Council President
11:30	Siam Smile Thai Classical and Folk Dance	John Boyd, Kent City Council Member
11:40	Integrity Arts	John Boyd, Kent City Council Member
Noon	Xihua Chinese Volk Dance, performance part I	Suzette Cooke, Former Mayor of Kent
12:10	Junhong's Lion Dance Troupe	Suzette Cooke, Former Mayor of Kent
12:30	Xihua Chinese Volk Dance, performance part II	Suzette Cooke, Former Mayor of Kent
12:40	Grupo Folklorico Citlali	Dr. Marissa Winmill, Kent Meridian ELL Teacher
1:20	Kinnaly Lao	Dr. Marissa Winmill, Kent Meridian ELL Teacher
1:40	Kent Elementary STOMP & Dance	Denisha Saucedo, Kent Educators of Color Network
2:00	Shiva Rhythms of India	Denisha Saucedo, Kent Educators of Color Network
2:30	Barvinok Ukrainian Dance Ensemble	Tye Whitfield, CEO Kingdom Gathering Outreach
2:50	Raqs el Sehr Shamal	Tye Whitfield, CEO Kingdom Gathering Outreach
3:00	Tin Fuk Tsoi	Matt Kurvink, Western States Carpenters Union
3:30	Balefire Irish Dancers	Matt Kurvink, Western States Carpenters Union
4:00	Pacific Ballroom Dancers	Debbie O'Brien, Kid's Faith Steps
4:30	Eclipse, a Kentridge High School Dance Crew	Debbie O'Brien, Kid's Faith Steps

## FEATURED ACTIVITIES

Art Exhibition on the Arena  
10:00 am to 5:00 pm

There will be an exhibit of Kent School District Student's art work *inside* in the arena in ShowWare. Attendees can stop by to see all this wonderful art this year and from Educators of Color.

There will be art activities that attendees can try while visiting the art exhibit such as making a book mark. In this area also there will be activities from Meeker Middle School Robotics Stem Club. In addition, we will have a table sharing the second "We Are America" Book Project and the Coding Club, both from Kent Meridian High School.

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**PLAZA STAGE  
OUTSIDE**



Time	Performers	Guest Announcer
11:00	Land Acknowledgement	Wade Barringer, Deputy Superintendent KSD
11:05	Blue Heron Canoe	Wade Barringer, Deputy Superintendent KSD
11:15	Kent-Meridian Vietnamese Student Association Lion Dance	Zandria Michaud, Kent City Council Member
11:25	Kent-Meridian Vietnamese Student Association Fan Dancers	Zandria Michaud, Kent City Council Member
11:40	Rowan Fae Irish Dancers	Toni Troutner, Kent City Council Member
Noon	Siam Smile Thai Classical and Folk Dance	Toni Troutner, Kent City Council Member
12:10	Baile Folklore Colibri	Alex Henning, Rotary Club of Kent
12:40	Tin Fuk Tsoi	Alex Henning, Rotary Club of Kent
12:50	Xihua Chinese Volk Dance	Claudia Cortes & Hoda Abdullahi, Living Well Kent
1:00	Emcee announcements (School of Rock sets up)	Claudia Cortes & Hoda Abdullahi, Living Well Kent
1:10	Kent School of Rock	Claudia Cortes & Hoda Abdullahi, Living Well Kent
1:40	Grupo Folklorico Citlali	Eva Engelhard, Highline College
2:00	Slavic Soul	Eva Engelhard, Highline College
2:30	Kent Elementary STOMP & Dance	Brenda Fincher, Kent City Council Member
2:45	Balefire Irish Dancers	Brenda Fincher, Kent City Council Member
3:15	Raqs el Sehr Shamal	Brenda Fincher, Kent City Council Member
3:30	YMCA	Tye Whitfield, CEO Kingdom Gathering Outreach
4:00	Into His Chambers Global Ministries Children's Choir & Adult Praise Team	Tye Whitfield, CEO Kingdom Gathering Outreach
4:30	Kent-Meridian High School Latino Group	Dave Skipton, KIF Board President
4:45	Closing Remarks	Dave Skipton, KIF Board President

# Plaza booths

Outside on the plaza we have a large variety of booths for you to visit. Some offer services to the Kent Community, others are selling cultural items from around the world. Take a stroll on the plaza and visit these booths.

Thank you Festival Sponsors





# Food Trucks



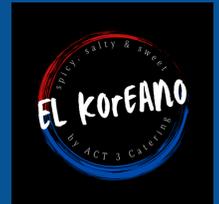
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Venezuelan

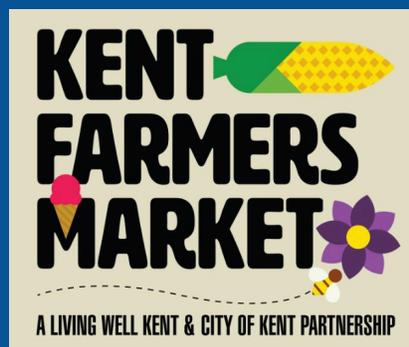


Thai



Korean

# Pop-up Vendors

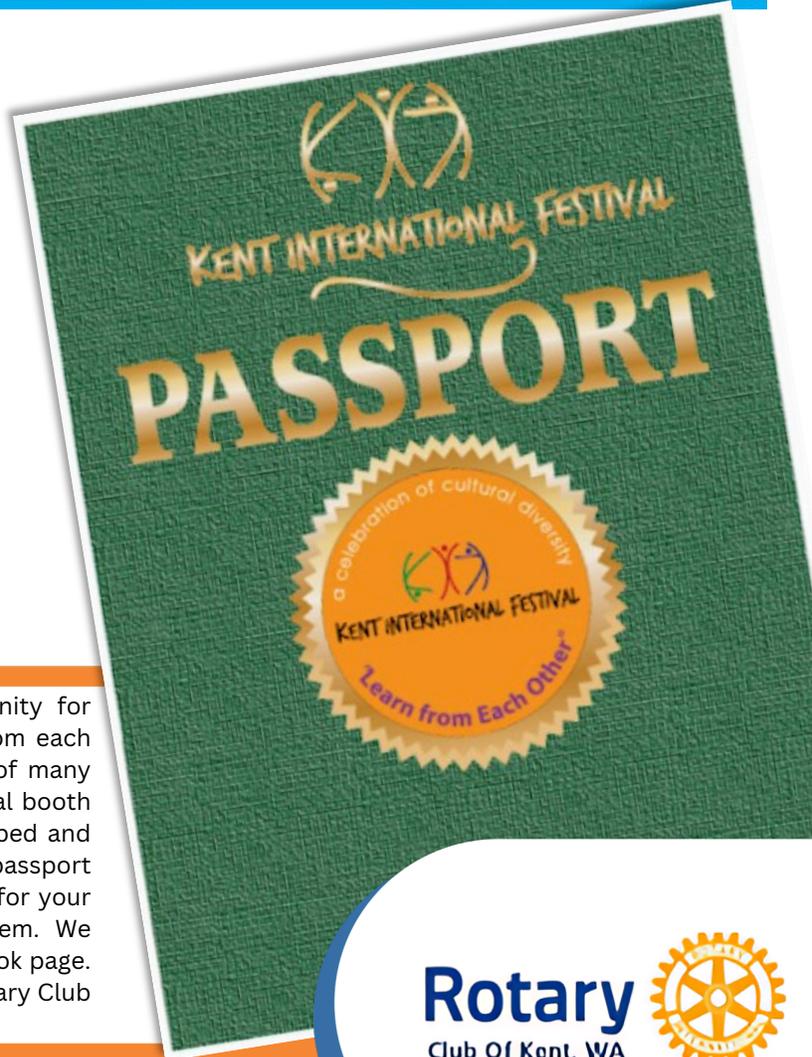


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# Cultural Booth Passport Program

Attending the Kent International Festival is a great opportunity for everyone to share their heritage and culture while learning from each other. For the young we have a fun way to learn with a tour of many booths that are part of the "Passport" program. At each cultural booth there is an activity to try. Once done, have the Passport stamped and move on to the next Cultural Booth. When finished, bring your passport back to the KIF Passport Booth and ask for your ballot to vote for your favorite Passport Cultural booth and get a free surprise item. We announce the winners on the Kent International Festival Facebook page. We greatly appreciate our sponsor of the Passport program, Rotary Club of Kent.



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# 2026 Kent International Festival

Save the  
Date!

Late  
May  
2026

Thank you Festival Sponsors



# ENJOY THE FESTIVAL!

## THANK YOU!

Kent International Festival Committee thanks our many sponsors, businesses, organizations and volunteer groups. Over 250 hours of volunteer time are required to staff the day of the Festival. These volunteers and those who helped financially have made it possible to host a free admission event. Please recognize those who support the Kent International Festival.

### Festival Financial Sponsors

The 2025 Kent International Festival is supported in part by grants and contributions from:

City of Kent Community Arts Support Program  
Arts Fund and the Paul G Allen Family Foundation  
4Culture  
Arts WA and the National Endowment of the Arts  
Sound Transit  
Rotary Club of Kent  
Seattle Credit Union  
Chiro One Wellness Centers  
African American Leadership Forum  
Molina Healthcare of WA  
Be Well At Home by Acupuncture and Wellness Center  
Pacific Medical Centers  
Kent YMCA  
PNW Marketing & Travel

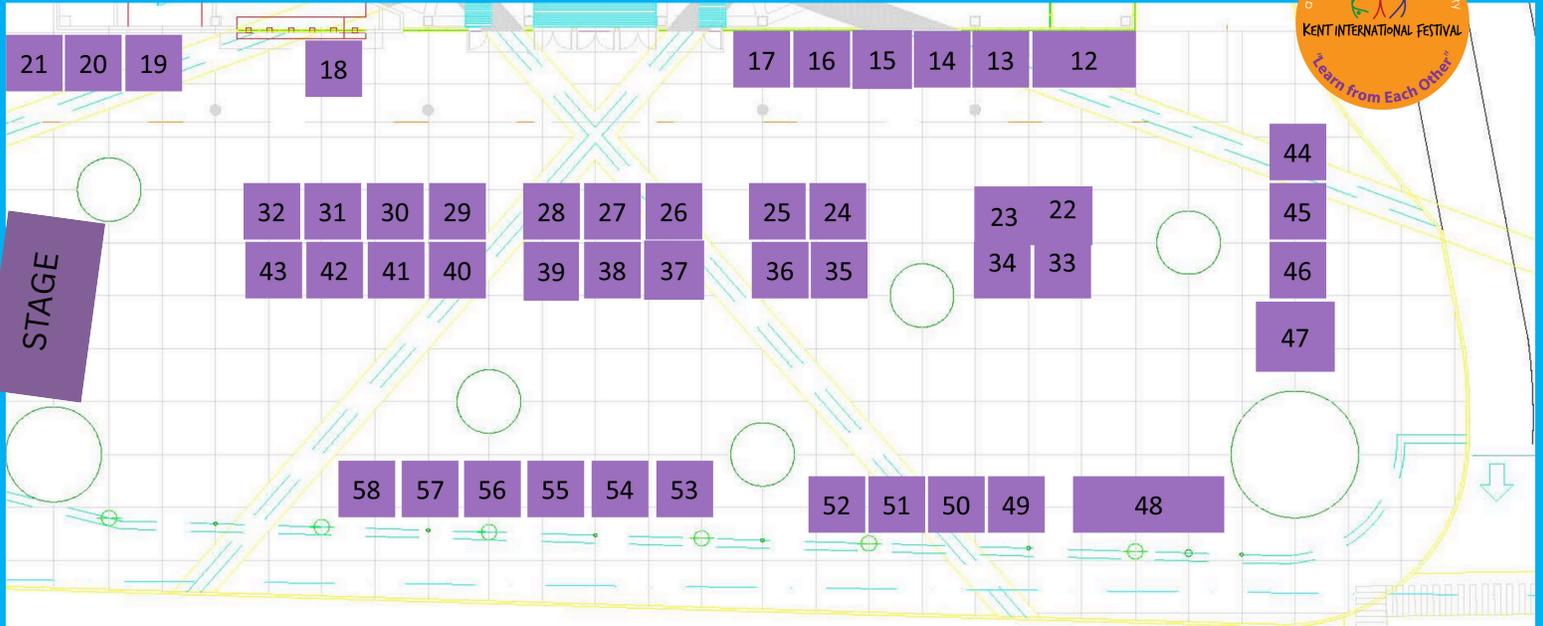
### Key Supporting Businesses & Individuals

Kent Mayor Dana Ralph  
Kent City Council  
acesso ShoWare Center  
KIF Executive Board and Planning Committee  
Simply Celebrations & Events  
Shine Event Design  
Catalyst Presents  
Successful Business Dynamics  
ILoveKent  
Western States Carpenters  
John Volken Academy

### Volunteer Organizations

Highline College  
Kent Meridian High School National Honor Society  
Rotary Club of Kent  
And many individuals.

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- 12. City of Kent Economic and Community Development Department
- 13. King County 911 Program Office
- 14. King County Wastewater Treatment Division
- 15. Highline College - Outreach and Recruitment
- 16. John Volken Academy
- 17. Western State Carpenters
- 18. African Sports Federation and Academic Program
- 19. Bluey's Jelly World, LLC
- 20. Washington Youth Alliance
- 21. Kulphi, LLC.
- 22. Molina Healthcare
- 23. African American Leadership Forum
- 24. Sound Transit
- 25. Pacific Medical Centers
- 26. TVG-Medulla LLC/ Chiro One Wellness
- 27. Kent YMCA
- 28. Acupuncture and Wellness Center

- 29. Seattle Credit Union
- 30. PNW Marketing & Travel
- 31. Green River College
- 32. Kids Faith Steps & Integrity Arts
- 33. Jewelry Reflections
- 34. Communities of Rooted Brilliance
- 35. Kent School District Job Opportunities
- 36. KSD Nutrition Services
- 37. Huldah Closet
- 38. Afreesha X Outside Thinc Artprenuer
- 39. Kingdom Gathering Outreach
- 40. Rainier Honey Co.
- 41. Cultural Homestay International
- 42. Trash Mountain—ROHI PROJECT
- 43. Aarya Jewellery
- 44. Puget Sound Fire
- 45. Kent Police Department
- 46. King County District Court

- 47. Foundation For a Drug-Free World
- 48. Churches of Scientology Disaster Response
- 49. Vine Maple Place
- 50. Love That Art
- 51. Lena's Odds and Ends
- 52. Chez-Raz Fashion for Life
- 53. Smith Brothers Farms
- 54. Grupo Asesor Latino
- 55. Refugees Northwest Foster Care
- 56. Hawo K Collection
- 57. Essentials First
- 58. Into His Chambers Global Ministries

## Become part of the festival

The Kent International Festival is always looking for volunteers and project coordinators. **Sign up at the KIF Information booth.**

We welcome community members, school groups and local businesses to be involved in our festival's ongoing success.

**Visit our website to learn more:**

**[www.kentinternationalfestival.com](http://www.kentinternationalfestival.com)**

## ARENA STAGE

### Seating



### Tables

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### ART EXHIBITION

We are America Book Project

Educators of Color

Kent Meridian Coding Club

Meeker Middle School Robotics Stem Club

### ART ACTIVITIES

KIF INFO BOOTH

KIF PASSPORT BOOTH

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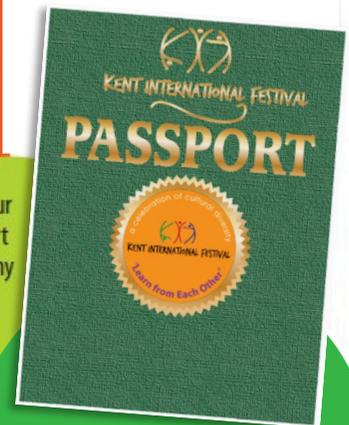
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## PASSPORT

## CULTURAL BOOTHS

1. Snohomish - Blue Heron Canoe
2. USA - Greater Kent Historical Society
3. Africa - Mother Africa
4. Iraq - Iraqi Community Center or Washington
5. Taiwan - South Puget Sound Chinese Language School
6. Switzerland - Enzian Swiss Ladies Choir
7. Japan, China, Norway - Kent Sister Cities Association
8. Taiwan - Formosa Park
9. Vietnam - Vietnamese Student Association (VSA)/ Highline College
10. Global Kids Education
11. Punjab - Sikh Khalsa Gurmat Center

Pick your Passport up at any of the above booths



Turn in your passport at the KIF Passport Booth to vote for best passport cultural booth.