

Call for Volunteers: World Dumpling Fest 2024 **Saturday, September 21, 2024 | Logan Square Park**

Join the Chicago Cultural Alliance in celebrating Chicago's diverse cultural communities through music, dance, and DUMPLINGS! World Dumpling Fest is a fundraiser held to support the work of the Chicago Cultural Alliance. Visitors can sample dumplings from over a dozen neighborhood-based ethnic restaurants in and around Chicago to experience the diversity of Chicago. Located just off the Logan Square Blue Line Station, this one-of-a-kind event will feature cultural performances, live music, drinks, and dumplings.

Who Is the Chicago Cultural Alliance (CCA) and Why Are We Holding This Festival?

The Chicago Cultural Alliance is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization in Chicago. Our mission is to support, promote, and advocate for cultural heritage centers in the Chicagoland area. World Dumpling Fest is an all-ages event featuring food, music, and local small businesses sharing their cultural identities through their respective crafts. The Fest features diverse cultural “dumplings” from ethnic restaurants in and around Chicago. We will also welcome over a dozen dance and music groups from a variety of cultures to the stage.

How do I benefit from volunteering with the CCA’s World Dumpling Fest?

Through volunteering, you are given the opportunity to: network with the CCA and its cultural heritage and partner institutions, utilize and develop new skills to add to your resume, and contribute to a community event for fellow dumpling lovers!

EVENT DETAILS

Date: Saturday, September 21, 2024

Event Start: 12:00 pm

Event End: 9:00 pm

Location: Logan Square Park

VOLUNTEER DETAILS AND DESCRIPTIONS

We are looking for fifty (50) volunteers to help us make this event a success! As a volunteer, you can connect with our members and other arts & culture professionals and enjoy the cultural performances that are part of the program. Volunteers will also receive complimentary tickets for dumpling samples. We are looking for volunteers who are:

- Confident when dealing with members of the public
- Good communicators and listeners
- Team players
- Committed to supporting and representing the work of the Chicago Cultural Alliance
- Available to attend training & orientation sessions

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If you are interested in volunteering, please send an email with the subject line WDF Volunteer Application to Michael Scott: mScott@chicagoculturalalliance.org

Please indicate your preferred roles in your application (the roles and descriptions are listed below). This will not guarantee you will be assigned to that position, but it will help us make sure we find the best fit for all of our volunteers.

Job Descriptions

***Specific volunteer schedules (start time/end time) to be announced closer to the event date.**

Gate Staff

- Positioned near entrance to welcome visitors / solicit optional entry donations.
- Provide general info on the event and direct visitors to ticketing for food tickets.

Ticketing

- Scan/check in presale tickets for entry and run sales for on-site ticket purchases.
- Hand out map/event information and performance schedule.

Bar Staff

- Run cash sales for all beer, wine, and non-alcoholic beverage purchases.
- **VOLUNTEERS MUST BE 21 YRS OR OLDER FOR THIS ROLE**

Stage Manager

- Assist with checking in performers, setting up the stage, and transitioning stage set-up between each performance.

General Crowd Assistance

- This is a more flexible role that will involve helping with managing lines for the vendors, distributing event info, and other miscellaneous tasks.

ALL VOLUNTEERS:

- Answer general queries and direct any medical or other specific questions to an appropriate member of staff.
- Available to answer questions throughout the day. Good communication and listening skills.
- Encourage visitors at the event to take part in the activities on offer, including dumplings, live music, performances, and activity booths.
- Expect to be standing/walking- dress comfortably (pants/shoes) and wear sunscreen.