

Croatia Fest

Newsletter
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CROATIAFEST 2024 IS FULL OF HEADLINERS

CroatiaFest 2024

Saturday, Oct. 5th

Croatian Vigil Mass

5:30 pm

Our Lady of Guadalupe
7000 35th Ave SW, Seattle
Music by Kišobran

Kickoff Dance

6:30 pm

Our Lady of Guadalupe
Walmsley Center
7000 25th Ave SW, Seattle
Music by Rakija Bend

Sunday, Oct. 6th

CroatiaFest

12:00 pm

Seattle Center Armory
305 Harrison St., Seattle

Music & Dance Performances, Historical Exhibits, Art Gallery, Cooking Demos, Crafts, Croatian Food Booths, Vendors, and Much More!

Look for updates at
www.croatiafest.org and at
facebook.com/CroatiaFest

Unless otherwise specified, CroatiaFest activities are FREE and open to the public.

SATURDAY CROATIAN VIGIL MASS RETURNS

After a five-year hiatus, CroatiaFest is pleased to announce the return of the Saturday Croatian Vigil Mass. The Mass will be celebrated on Saturday, October 5th at 5:30 pm at Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish, located at 7000 35th Ave SW in West Seattle. Traditional Croatian liturgical music and hymns will be performed by Kišobran.

SATURDAY NIGHT DANCE – RAKIJA BEND

Kicking off CroatiaFest, Rakija Bend of Chicago will play on Saturday, October 5th from 6:30 pm to 11:00 pm at Our Lady of Guadalupe Walmsley Center, located just across the street from the church. There is plenty of off-street parking for your convenience. An à la carte menu featuring traditional Croatian cuisine prepared by the parents of the Seattle Jr. Tamburitizens will be available for purchase, as well as a no host bar featuring wine, beer, and soft drinks. Admission is \$20 per person, \$10 for children 16 and under, and free for kids 5 and under.



CROATIAFEST WELCOMES NOVA NADA AND ŠARENA



On Sunday, October 6th, enjoy performances by Nova Nada, Šarena and Rakija Bend on the main stage of the Seattle Center Armory. Additionally, Šarena will perform in the new Konoba wine room, located on the 3rd floor of the Armory.

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STAY ALL WEEKEND FOR CROATIAFEST'S 20TH ANNIVERSARY

Join your family and friends on Saturday, October 5th for our Saturday night events and stay for the festival the next day. This year, two hotels are eager to be your overnight host during CroatiaFest weekend.

The Mediterranean Inn, located at 425 Queen Anne Ave. N., is offering CroatiaFest attendees a 15% discount off their best available rate. Please use the code CroatiaFest when booking online at www.mediterranean-inn.com or by calling 206-428-4700. The offer is good from October 1st through October 15th.

The Maxwell Hotel, located at 300 Roy St., is one block north of the Seattle Center. The hotel is offering a 15% discount off their best available rate, good from October 4th through October 7th. Book online at www.staypineapple.com and use Promo Code CRF. If you would prefer to book via phone, call their Reservations desk at 866-866-7977 and mention Promo Code CRF.



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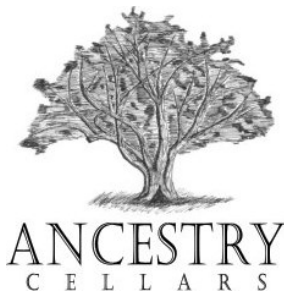
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CroatiaFest is produced by the local Croatian-American community and is part of Seattle Center's Festál, a year-long series of cultural events that honors the richness and diversity of our region.



PRESIDENT'S WELCOME

On October 6th, 2024, CroatiaFest will proudly celebrate its 20th anniversary. What began as a discussion around Dr. Frank Brozovich's dining room table has blossomed into a vibrant festival, thanks to the vision and dedication of a group of committed volunteers. Since the first festival in 2004, CroatiaFest has grown immensely, showcasing Croatian heritage, culture, cuisine, art, music, and much more to thousands of attendees each year.

CroatiaFest is proud to be one of the few festivals in the Festál Series to have the honor of having their country's Ambassador to the United States and Consul attend every festival. On behalf of the CroatiaFest Planning Committee, I want to thank all those who have supported the festival with your attendance, generous financial donations, sponsorships, and advertising in the souvenir program. A special "hvala" to all the talented musicians, singers, dancers, merchants, food vendors, and countless volunteers who bring Croatia to the Seattle Center Armory.

- Cathryn Morovich, President, CroatiaFest



CROATIAN CONSULAR DAYS AT CROATIAFEST 2024

CroatiaFest 2024 is once again partnering with Consul General Renee Pea of the Consulate General of Croatia in Los Angeles for Croatian Consular Days at CroatiaFest this year. This is a wonderful opportunity to schedule an appointment locally rather than traveling to Los Angeles for Croatian government business.

Bring your applications, documents to have notarized, certify or renew your Croatian documents, passports, fingerprints, visas or citizenship in Seattle instead of Los Angeles. To prepare for your appointment, please check the Consulate General's website at mvpep.gov.hr/us/en to ensure you bring all documentation and materials necessary for processing.

Please note that Croatian citizenship applications require an extensive amount of paperwork, gathered and prepared in advance. Review the website, contact the Consulate General's office as soon as possible, and start putting documents together now in preparation for October. You must also bring your own sets of copies, per instructions, as there is not a way to copy on-site at

the Armory. You must also have a check to make payment. Credit cards and cash are not accepted.

For those hoping to participate in the naturalization ceremony at CroatiaFest, contact the Consulate office. You will receive email confirmation and documentation in advance with details. Those who are confirmed need to check in at the Armory by no later than 11:00 am.

As of September 3rd, the Consulate office in Los Angeles will begin taking appointments for CroatiaFest. To schedule your appointment or if you have questions, please contact the Los Angeles Consular Office via email at crocons.los-angeles@mvpep.hr. There are limited time slots available, so be sure to schedule as soon as possible to guarantee your appointment. Currently, the consulate office is booking out to 2026 for appointments, which makes this opportunity unique!

We are incredibly grateful to Consul General Renee Pea and the dedicated Consular Staff for this wonderful opportunity for our community!

2024 PERFORMANCE HEADLINES

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KLAPA FD KUMPANIJA AND KVARTET PORTUN FROM CROATIA TO PERFORM

We are excited to welcome Klapa FD (Folklorno Društvo) Kumpanija and Kvartet Portun from Vela Luka, Croatia to also perform at CroatiaFest.

Founded in 2007, Klapa FD Kumpanija has been entertaining audiences for 17 years. To date, they have had more than 500 performances and concerts, singing throughout Croatia and Europe (Italy, Czech Republic, Slovenia, Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, and Montenegro). The group has recorded two CDs featuring over 30 songs and has won several awards at both domestic and international festivals such as Verona, Perast, and



Marco Polo Fest. Their second CD, "Pisma Tvoje Pisme," was recorded in tribute to their famous hometown singer, Oliver Dragojević.

Since its inception, more than 30 singers have been part of Klapa FD Kumpanija. The ensemble, comprising of both female and male singers, is often accompanied by guitar and keyboard. Under the direction of Janes Vlasić, who has been singing and playing music for more than 60 years and leads 7 other klapa groups, their performance promises to be a highlight.

Kvartet Portun was established in 1996. All members were previously rock musicians who decided to pursue a new musical direction. Portun combines traditional and modern musical expression and has performed several thousand times in Croatia and throughout Europe, including at regional festivals and competitions. They include English songs in their repertoire and regularly arrange concerts for tourist groups through major world tour operators.

Klapa FD Kumpanija and Kvartet Portun have been invited to the United States in conjunction with the 20th anniversary of the Sister City relationship between Anacortes, WA and Vela Luka, Croatia. Both groups will be performing on the main stage of the Seattle Center Armory and Kvartet Portun will also sing in the Konoba wine room on the 3rd floor of the Armory.

LOCAL GROUPS ROUND OUT THE PERFORMANCE SCHEDULE

Of course, no CroatiaFest would be complete without our immensely talented local performers. On the main stage, look for performances from Tamburaški Orkestar Kardinal Stepinac, Ruže Dalmatinke, Vela Luka Croatian Dance Ensemble, the Seattle Junior Tamburitzans, and Radost Folk Ensemble. In the Konoba, we are also excited to showcase performances by Kišobran, Sinovi, Gorani, Klapa Doo Wopella, and Bonaca.

HOW TO GET TO CROATIAFEST

Let the Monorail, Metro Transit, Sound Transit or rideshare companies like Uber and Lyft do the driving for you!

If you are in Downtown Seattle, hop on the Monorail at Westlake Center Station, located at 400 Pine Street on the 3rd floor. Passengers arrive right to the Armory.

Explore light rail and bus routes from your neighborhood or a nearby park & ride. Check out <https://tripplanner.kingcounty.gov/#/app/tripplanning> to discover what's available. There are several bus routes that stop at Seattle Center.

If you plan on driving to Seattle Center, here are some convenient nearby parking garages:

5TH AVENUE N. GARAGE - 516 Harrison Street, Seattle, WA, 98109 (Entrances on Harrison St. and Republican

St. just east of 5th Avenue N.)

MERCER STREET GARAGE - 650 3rd Avenue N., Seattle, WA, 98109 (Entrance on 3rd Avenue N. between Mercer St. and Roy St.)

THEATRE COMMONS ADA PARKING LOT - 2nd Avenue N. & Mercer Street, Seattle, WA, 98109 (Adjacent to the Bagley Wright Theatre. Entrance on Mercer Street at 2nd Avenue North)

For more ideas, go to <https://www.seattlecenter.com/visitor-info/parking>.

There are several smaller parking lots around the area and there are several parking apps that can help find available lots and their prices. On-street parking is FREE on Sundays.

THREE COOKING DEMOS IN 2024

CroatiaFest is thrilled to present three exciting cooking demos at our 2024 festival.

The Martinis Family will return with a demo of Komiška Pogača, a signature dish from the village of Komiža on the island of Vis. Pogača is a Croatian bread filled with salt fish or anchovies, onions, garlic and tomatoes.

Antonija Stipetić and Marija Mataja will demonstrate how to make Baklava, a layered dessert made with filo pastry and nuts.

Ken Hewitt, proprietor of Kuzma's Fish Market, will share his expertise by demonstrating a traditional seafood specialty.

The cooking demo stage will have its own room this year, located to the right of the 3rd floor foyer, across from the Konoba wine room and next to the Art Gallery.



MERCHANT BOOTHS

If you're looking for unique gift items, Croatian-themed apparel, imported Mediterranean foods, or unique crafts, the main floor of the Armory will have it all. With seven returning vendors and two new ones, you are sure to find something with that special Croatian touch to take home or give as a unique gift.

Returning Vendors:

Andy's Fine Woods: Bowls, platters, and gifts made from exotic woods

Balkan Store: Imported Croatian and Mediterranean food and beverage products

Croatia Gifts: Handcrafted ceramics and gift items

CroatiaFest Souvenir Booth: One-of-a-kind CroatiaFest souvenir apparel

Drusk Trading Company: Olive oil from Croatia

J.P. Designs: Croatia-themed items such as cutting boards, boxes, and trivets

Slavonian American Benevolent Society (SABS): Cookies, cookbooks, and gifts

New vendors:

Croatian Emporium: Treasures from Croatia including traditional jewelry, Christmas ornaments, handmade textiles, woodenware, and more

Croatian Heritage Corner: Original Croatian items for the kitchen and other authentic Croatian gifts



NEW MERCHANT SPOTLIGHTS

CROATIAN HERITAGE CORNER

Milena Sorée Džamonja welcomes you to her little corner of Croatian heritage of which we can rightly be proud of, with all the traditions, customs, handicrafts, and foods that Croats have created throughout the centuries – and all on such a small plot of land!

Like an unknown author once said –

“Baštinik nije onaj kojem je naslijeđe dano slučajno, već onaj koji je baštinu odlučio sačuvati.”

“The true inheritor is the person who decides to preserve the heritage, not the one who inherited it by accident.”



That’s why Milena decided to dedicate herself to sharing the wonderful culture that we have and to spend her time between the two countries that she loves. While doing so, she gathers the products and knowledge that she will be showcasing this year at CroatiaFest.

CROATIAN EMPORIUM

“Heritage You Can Hold @ The Croatian Emporium” will feature hand-selected and carefully curated treasures from the old country, sourced directly from artists, artisans, and local markets that have been personally sought out during extensive travels throughout Croatia.

Discover traditional jewelry, beautiful Christmas ornaments, handmade textiles, woodenware, decorative accents, and more quality items, plus original t-shirt and tote bag proprietary designs.

This year, all profits from the Emporium will benefit Tacoma/Ruston Croatian Fraternal Union Lodge 246 to ensure the continuance of its century-plus legacy of cultural programs and fraternal support.

Make sure you stop by – every piece has a story!



HOW IT ALL BEGAN

This year marks 20 years since the first CroatiaFest was held back in 2004. Since then, we have gathered annually to celebrate the rich history and heritage of the Croatian community of the Pacific Northwest and the culture of Croatia. Despite being a small European country with a population of just under four million, many people would be surprised to learn that over 40,000 Washingtonians trace their ancestry to Croatia, and while Croatia became a country again in 1990, it has a 1,300-year history in Europe.

For well over a century, Croatians in Washington State have regularly held social and cultural events, preserving elements of music, dance, art, and age-old traditions. For many years, those events were insular in scope, having been organized by and for community members and their friends. In 2002, Dr. Frank Brozovich was named the Honorary Consul of the Republic of Croatia to Washington State. Soon after his appointment, Dr. Brozovich organized an advisory committee of Croatian community leaders in Washington State who were given the task of how to best use his new position to benefit the community.

Born out of those meetings was a proposal presented by John Morovich, Marija Grgurević, and Marin Bezić to organize a public Croatian festival at Seattle Center as a part of the Festál Series. This represented a fundamental change in how Croatian culture could be presented. Initially the idea got a lukewarm reception, as the amount of time, work, organization, and funding went well beyond anything the community had previously produced. This also meant that the whole community would need to participate for it to work. Something, again, that had never happened in the past. Shortly thereafter, the first organizational meeting was held at Seattle Center, bringing together representatives from Croatian organizations across the state. A committee was formed, and thus, CroatiaFest was born.

Alma Franulovich Plancich, an expert in both festival organizing and Croatian traditional heritage, was elected Festival Coordinator, Dr. Brozovich was elected Chairman of the Board of Directors, and an overwhelmingly successful first CroatiaFest was held in 2004.



Since then, CroatiaFest has become an annual celebration, sharing the Croatian culture with the community at large with a day of exceptional and innovative programming. The festival features thoughtful and relevant exhibits, demonstrations, and activities designed to engage a diverse demographic of attendees. As a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, CroatiaFest continues to grow today under the leadership of coordinators Cathryn Morovich, Joanne Abdo, and Kristen LeMieux.

2024 T-SHIRTS - NEW DESIGNS AND OLD FAVORITES



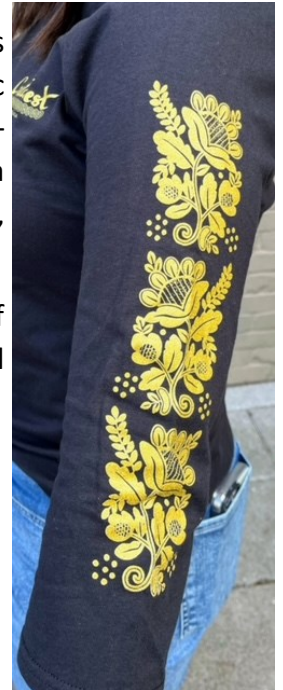
In celebration of our 20th anniversary, the CroatiaFest design team is reintroducing two very special women's shirt patterns celebrating Croatian folklore from Slavonija and Posavina.

Models Carmen Mikacenic Gaudrone, Diane Petricic Brust, and her daughter Mila Brust are wearing the gorgeous Zlatovez embroidery pattern from Slavonija. Representative of Eastern Croatia since the 19th century, Zlatovez is included on the list of Protected Intangible Cultural Heritage established by the Croatian Ministry of Culture. This recognized technique of gold or silver threads stitched over shapes can be found on some men's and mostly women's folk garments embellished with sequins and beads.

Model Mila Gaudrone is modeling a geometric pattern from Posavina –

a region adjacent to the Sava River. Most Croatian households owned a loom where dyed threads were woven into garments, tablecloths, bedspreads, alter cloths, and dowries.

To purchase these special commemorative souvenirs and a variety of men's, women's, and children's selections, visit the CroatiaFest apparel booth to the left of the main stage in the Armory on Sunday, October 6th!



FAMILIAR FOOD VENDORS AT CROATIAFEST

You won't go hungry at CroatiaFest! A variety of delicious Croatian foods will be available for purchase both inside and outside the Seattle Center Armory.

Outside the Armory

Balkan Store will again have whole lamb roasted on the spit and grilled ćevapčići (Croatian-style links). Both meats will include bread and condiments.

Anacortes Sister Cities will be grilling kobasice.

Inside the Armory

On the main floor of the Armory, the Balkan Task Force will offer palačinke (Croatian crepes) and baklava. You can also purchase a cup of kava (Turkish coffee) to go along with these sweets.

Baked in Bosnia will serve traditional Croatian sarma (stuffed cabbage rolls). They will also be serving slices of their delicious apple and bee sting cakes and other tasty items such as pita/burek and princes krofne (cream puffs).



STAY INFORMED

We would love to keep you in the loop about CroatiaFest and other Croatian community events. We send emails about 4 times per year to communicate events that may not have made our newsletter.

Do you want to receive our newsletter or stay informed via email? Please subscribe to email notices and/or add your mailing address by visiting:

<http://www.croatiafest.org/contact>



KAKO SE KAŽE

Washington State University professor Nicholas Lovrich and Jasmina Cernak will be hosting the Kako Se Kaže booth at the entrance to the 3rd floor art gallery. Bring copies of your cherished old country letters and birth, baptism, or marriage certificates for Jasmina to translate.

Explore a display board of various objects for you to identify using your family's dialect. This engaging activity offers a wonderful opportunity to discuss linguistic diversity with Professor Lovrich, who has done extensive research of different Croatian dialects.



CHRIS' KIDS CORNER

Welcome to Chris' Kids Corner at CroatiaFest!

We are excited to welcome visitors of all ages to CroatiaFest, especially the children! This year, we have a special area designed just for the kids called "Chris' Kids Corner." Here, children will be invited to play games, create art, and learn about Croatian culture in fun and engaging ways.

One of the highlights will be playing hopscotch, or "školice" as it is called in Croatia. This popular game will give kids the opportunity to learn how to count to ten in Croatian while making their own special markers for the game.

Children will also have the chance to make a paper nightingale, Croatia's national bird, with movable wings. They can assemble and decorate their birds with artistic elements inspired by traditional Croatian wooden toy makers.

For animal lovers, there will be an exciting opportunity to learn about the diverse wildlife in Croatia's largest national park. We will teach you how to say "viper" and "bear" in Croatian.



We are naming this area "Chris' Kids Corner" in honor of Christine Jovanovich, who organized CroatiaFest's children's programming for many years. Christine was an alumna of the Seattle Junior Tamburitzans and had a deep sincere love for all children. Join us at Chris' Kids Corner for a day of fun, creativity, and cultural discovery!

WINE CELLAR BECOMES THE NEW CROATIAFEST KONOBA

You asked for it and we listened! How do you make a great wine room better? More wine and more music! This year's wine room has expanded into our first CroatiaFest Konoba experience. No longer will you buy tickets at the door for entry. Just come on in (if you are 21 or older), bring your food and snacks with you, enjoy the entertainment, and buy a glass of wine, a bottle, or a shot of rakija and take in this wonderful experience. Tokens for glasses of wine and rakija shots will be available for purchase at the door.

Joining us this year is Croatian-American family vintner Jason Morin of Ancestry Cellars (www.ancestrycellars.com), the wonderful team from Vinbero Wine Bar of Edmonds (www.vinbero.bar), Balkan Store in Lynnwood, and the CroatiaFest Rakija Stand.

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2024 HONOREES

CroatiaFest is honored to continue our tradition of recognizing Croatian-Americans for their outstanding contribution to the preservation of Croatian culture and heritage. We have also showcased young people who deeply appreciate their Croatian roots and ancestry by their involvement in the large Pacific Northwest Croatian community.

To learn who our 2024 honorees are, make sure you don't miss the ceremonies, which will take place on the main stage of the Seattle Center Armory at approximately 3:10 pm on Sunday afternoon. Show your support for these outstanding Croatian-Americans by attending the special ceremony.



Pictured above, L-R: 2023 Outstanding Croatian Brenda Longnecker Huber, 2022 Outstanding Young Croatian Madison Mustach, 2023 Outstanding Young Croatian Gus Schafer. Not pictured: 2023 Outstanding Young Croatian Ellie Schafer.



THANK YOU, DONORS!

The 2024 CroatiaFest committee extends its heartfelt gratitude to all our donors. Your generous contributions provide the financial support needed to promote Croatian culture in the Seattle area.

We are pleased to acknowledge donors who contribute \$100 or more with an invitation to our Donor's Brunch. This special event will be held on the third floor of the Seattle Center Armory next to the Art Gallery from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm. Please join us to connect with fellow supporters, Honorary Croatian Consul Frank Brozovich, Croatian Ambassador to the United States Pjer Šimunović, and Croatian Consul General of Los Angeles Renee Pea.

We couldn't put this festival on without faithful supporters like you. Your donations enable us to share Croatian music, dance, history, genealogy, art and traditions to both the Croatian community and the general public.

There is no way to fully express our gratitude. We at CroatiaFest are continually inspired by our donors' dedication and generosity.

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Emil Martin

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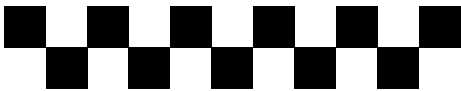
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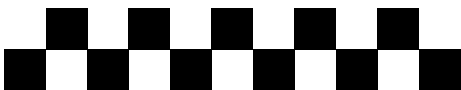
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