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Carrousel of the Nations 2015

'Festivals promote diversity, they bring neighbors into dialogue, they increase creativity, they offer opportunities for civic pride, they improve our general psychological well-being. In short, they make cities better places to live'. *David Binder*

40th ANNIVERSARY

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CARROUSEL BY THE RIVER

For the past 40 years the Multicultural Council of Windsor and Essex County has hosted the largest ethno-cultural festival in Southwestern Ontario. The Carrousel of the Nations is a tradition in Windsor and officially opened the Riverfront Plaza 2015 season. This year's line up continued to showcase amazing artists including Rock, Folk, Blues, Jazz and much more. The riverfront plaza was packed for rhythm and blues singer Michelle Wright, folk group Barra MacNeils, and Celtic Group Tartan Army. Rock country band Whiskey Epiphany and Ashely Lynn & The Spurs made sure everyone was dancing despite the weather. Legendary pioneers The Ohio Players wowed crowds with their R&B Music Ensemble. Windsor's own Buck Twenty Band rocked the stage as up and coming local stars. Alexander Zonjic with Detroit rhythm and blues band The Motor City Horns were a delight for all ages to see. Thousands of people that came June 12-14 enjoyed world class music and delicious food from North America, Japan, Vietnam, Philippines, France, Italy, Germany, Greece, Romania, Mexico, Lebanon and Jamaica.

The TD Children's Village provided a great time for little ones who enjoyed the company of Superstars Sofia, Elsa and Olaf, Batman, Spiderman and other heros. The children were entertained by crafts, face painting and dances at TD Childen's village. The bazaar provided some wonderful pieces of art, clothing and jewelry.

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CARROUSEL AROUND THE CITY

The Carrousel of the Nations continued around the city with thirteen Villages showcasing their rich cultural heritage. Visitors were able to experience tastes, sounds and traditions of cultures ranging from the Chinese to Greek over the weekends of June 19-21 and June 26-28. Congratulations and Thank You to all MCC staff, Board Members, Carrousel Chairs, Sponsors and numerous volunteers who worked thousands of hours to make this festival successful.

We look forward to celebrating our 40th Anniversary next year. Hope to see you there!

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The weekend was a huge achievement thanks to the hard work and dedication of the many Carrousel volunteers. The Multicultural Council is also grateful for the support of all our sponsors and corporate partners: