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ALL NATIONS CUP ARTS AND CULTURAL FESTIVAL!

All Nations Cup, founded in 2003 by the South-end nonprofit Sister Communities, is expanding its 6th annual arts and cultural festival to coincide with its staple soccer tournament. This year there will be three weeks of arts and cultural events for all to take part in from **June 6th to June 22nd, 2008**.

This year we will unveil our Mapa Mundi (“World Map”), which is made of up donated photographic memories of members of our diverse community. The 12-by-21 foot map will represent the rich diversity of our communities and honor their roots.

Returning for 2008 is the Global Strings Orchestra, performing a new piece, “Anima,” composed by Latin Grammy nominee Jovino Santos Neto. Also returning will be the All Nations Art Exhibition curated by Tania Rzhondkovska, the Photography Exhibition with guest curator David Silver, the All Nations Theater Festival with Irish playwright Marie Jones, and the All Nations Film Festival, featuring films from the Louisiana Bayou to the Basque Region of Spain, accompanied by a wine and beer garden.

This year’s World Stage will include music and dance performances from local musicians and performers, bringing the sights, sounds, and energy of China, Senegal, Ireland and Korea to the Puget Sound’s backyard.

The International Food Tent also returns to bring the mouthwatering smells and tastes of international delights to festival-goers. The theme “Stews from a Little Planet” will include eight main courses from eight different regions to choose from. Recipes will be featured in our first-ever “All Nations Cup Cookbook,” allowing participants to bring these dishes home to their kitchens.

Admission to most arts and cultural events are FREE to all.

Don’t miss the chance to travel the world while leaving your passport at home!

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All Nations Cup Info.

Participating countries this year include:

Argentina, Australia, Austria, Bosnia, Brazil, Burma, Cambodia, Cameroon, Canada, China, Colombia, Egypt, El Salvador, England, Ethiopia, Europe, Fiji, France, Gambia, Guatemala, Honduras, Iran, Ireland, Japan, Kenya, Korea, Kurdish Community, Mexico, Moldova, Morocco, Nepal, Nigeria, Oromo Community, Peru, Poland, Romania, Russia, Somalia, Spain, Tanzania, Turkey, Ukraine, USA and Vietnam

All Nations Cup Detailed Schedule:

June 6	Opening Ceremony
June 7-8	Qualifiers Festival Weekend
June 13-15	Round of 16, Women's Regional, Master's Division, and Youth Games
July 16-20	Quarterfinals and Semifinals
July 22	Championship Games Day

Children 12 and under are admitted FREE to all events

June 6 – Opening Night is FREE for everybody

June 7-22 – Admission is \$5 per day.

For more information about the tournament, ticket sales or volunteer opportunities, visit www.allnationscup.org or contact Sister Communities at (206) 267-9000.