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The RiverFront

One Community Cultural Festival

September 18, 2026 Friday

September 19, 2026 Saturday

Gene Leahy Mall at The RiverFront

1001 Douglas Street, Omaha, NE 68102

Hosted By:





The Nebraska Chinese Association (NCA), formerly known as the Omaha Chinese Culture Association, is a nonprofit organization founded in 2008 and recognized as a 501(c)(3) organization. NCA aims to preserve and promote the Chinese culture and heritage, raise awareness of cultural diversity, and give back to the community.

NCA strives to cultivate understandings between Chinese and American cultures through educational programs, cultural events, and business collaboration.

NCA is entirely volunteer-based. A dedicated team of volunteers contributes their time, talents, and financial support to advance the organization's mission and serve the local community.

Welcome

"THE BEAUTY OF THE WORLD LIES IN THE DIVERSITY OF ITS PEOPLE."

The RiverFront One Community Cultural Festival (OCCF) is here. This event is designed to celebrate the vibrant diversity of our community and is made possible with the invaluable support of individuals like you.

The OCCF proudly stands as the Omaha metro area's first and largest multi-cultural festival. Originating in 2019, the Nebraska Chinese Association (NCA) established this event to raise funds for families affected by the 2019 Heartland Flood. After successfully navigating three years of pandemic challenges, the NCA board resolved to express community appreciation for first responders and frontline workers through the 2022 OCCF event. In 2023 and 2024, the NCA, The Riverfront and Omaha Symphony collaborated to facilitate a fun-filled weekend of performances, music, vendors, family friendly activities and more.

This year, the NCA will again partner with The RiverFront One Community Cultural Festival with performances by the Omaha Symphony. The NCA will co-host and organize the event to bring live entertainment and enriching experiences to the heart of downtown Omaha for a free weekend long event. The festival will showcase local talents and non-profit cultural organizations through traditional musical performances from around the world. Attendees can indulge in a diverse array of ethnic performances, cuisines, arts and crafts, as well as engaging in cultural and educational activities. We envision a festival that fosters understanding, appreciation, and unity among the various cultures present in our city.

As a free public event, OCCF ensures that everyone in our community can enjoy the excitement of cultural exchange. Join us in celebrating the diversity of Omaha! Spend a delightful day with your family and friends. We eagerly anticipate your presence!

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to our event sponsors, supporters, and volunteers once again. We also extend an invitation to more organizations, local talents, and businesses to join us at our future events. A special thanks goes to The RiverFront team for providing venues and rental facilities, and to the Omaha Symphony for their collaborative performances. Your contributions play a pivotal role in building a stronger community for everyone.

SOUNDS OF THE CITY

Presented by Omaha Symphony

Friday, September 18, 7:30PM

- TRADITIONAL *Dragon Dance*
Nebraska Chinese Association
- WILLIAMS *Harry's Wondrous World*
from Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone
- TRADITIONAL *Purple Bamboo Melody* (arr. Pettit)
Variations by Liu Yung-Tai
Omaha Hulusi Ensemble
- COPLAND *Fanfare for the Common Man*
- TCHAIKOVSKY *Danse Russe, No. 5a from Swan Lake, Op. 20*
Henry Jenkins, Violin · Heartland Youth Ballet
- VARIOUS *Bring Me to Life* (arr. Tally)
Pear Tree Performing Arts
- VARIOUS *Bye Bye Bye* (arr. Buonanni)
Nebraska Chinese Association
- LARSSON *Concertino for Trombone & String Orchestra, Op. 45, No. 7*
III. Finale
- CURTIN *The Flintstones Meet the Jetsons* (arr. Wendel)
Patrick Pfister, Trombone
- TRADITIONAL *Scandinavian Dances* (arr. Pettit)
I. Dances Allemande · II. Dances Varsovienne
IV. Halsä Dem Der Hemma · III. Dances Svensk Maskerad
Scandinavian Dancers of Omaha
- TATOFI *Pua Kiele* (arr. Lin)
Creighton's Hui O Hawai'i
- TYLYNN *Gots To Pray* (arr. Pettit)
I Thank God (arr. Pettit)
- LAWRENCE *The Best Is Yet to Come* (orch. Barry & Stoddart)
Salem Baptist Church
- COPLAND *Hoe-Down, from Rodeo*

2026 OCCF PROGRAM

September 19, Saturday

Emcees

Lupe Aguilar, Maria Anderson, Carol Wang, Alan Wang, Autumn Xu

- 5:45 Linh Quang Lion and Dragon Dance Troupe
- 6:00 Opening Ceremony and National Anthem (Liz Pettinger)
- 6:10 Pentatonic Woodwinds
- 6:15 Kassebaum's Martial Arts
- 6:25 Stephen Yoneda
- 6:30 Poornima Indian Dance Group
- 6:35 Kokyo Taiko
- 6:50 NCA Dance Team
- 7:00 NCA Kids Dance Team
- 7:10 Japanese American Citizens League Dance Troupe
- 7:20 Flamenco Omaha Dance
- 7:35 NCA Choir
- 7:45 Intermission - NCA Dragon Dance
- 7:55 NCA Guzheng
- 8:05 NCA Women's Classical Dance Team
- 8:15 Gurukulam Center for Indian Arts
- 8:25 Filipino American Organization of Metro Omaha
- 8:35 Kusher Snazzy
- 8:45 Ono Pinay Kitchen Hula Dancers
- 8:55 Blue Side Dance
- 9:05 Grupo de Danza Raices De Mexico Omaha
- 9:15 Finale
- 9:25 Closing Remarks



NCA中文学校

NCA Chinese School

NCA中文学校简介

NCA Chinese School (formerly the Omaha Chinese Culture Association Chinese School) was founded in 2008. We welcome learners of all ages and backgrounds.

We offer a comprehensive program ranging from Kindergarten through AP Chinese. For non-heritage learners, we also provide Easy Chinese courses for children and adults, including beginner and intermediate levels. No prior knowledge of Chinese is required.

In addition to Chinese instruction, we offer a variety of classes, including dance, painting, arts and crafts, table tennis, and Tai-chi. We also provide English classes for adults with little or no English proficiency.

Classes are held once a week on Saturdays and are grouped according to students' proficiency levels. Our experienced teachers create an engaging and supportive learning environment.





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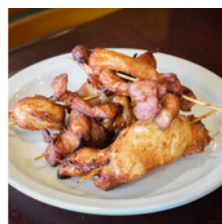


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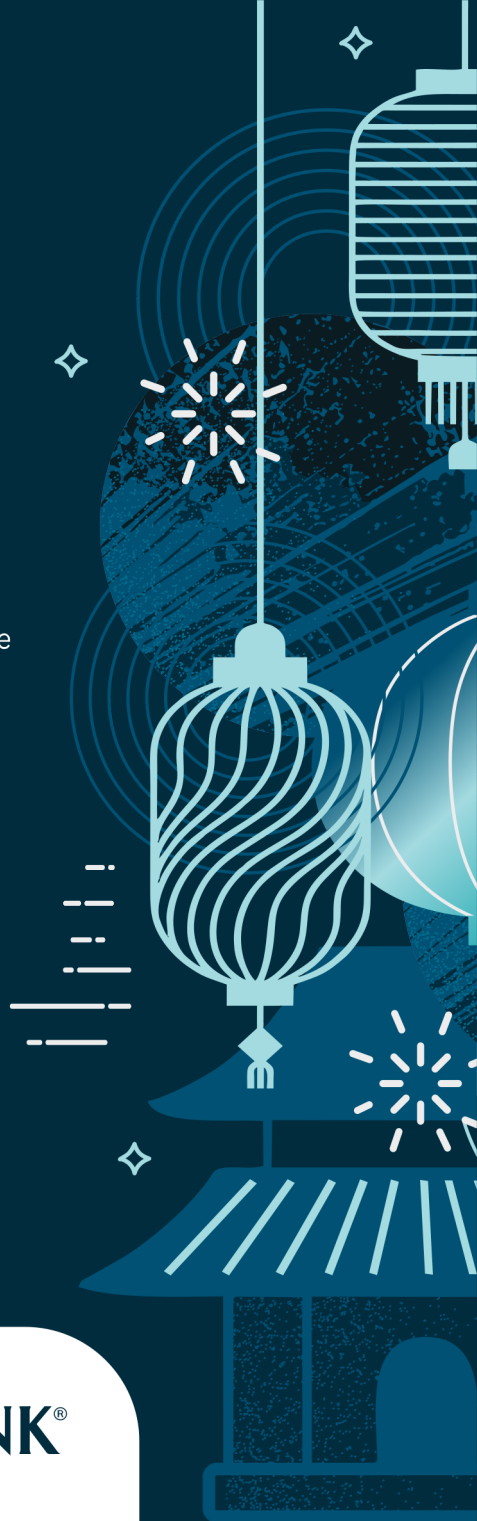
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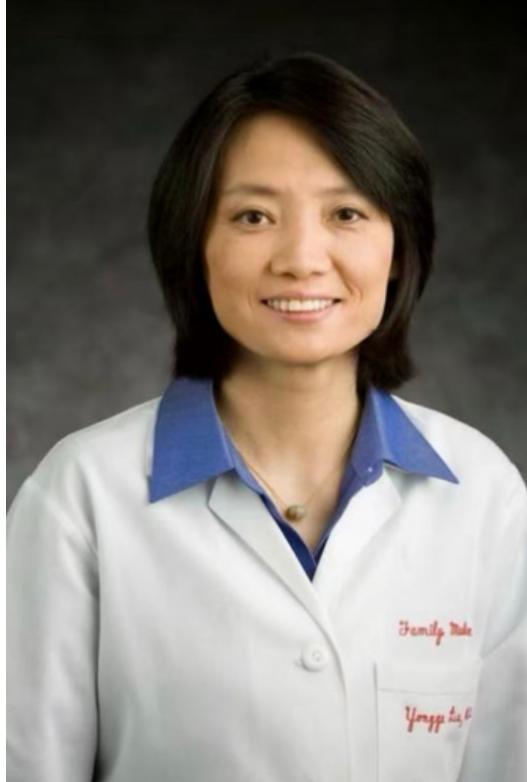
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OUR MISSION

The purpose and mission of the One Community Cultural Festival is to promote, celebrate, and share diversity of the cultures, traditions, and people of Omaha and the surrounding areas. The goal of the OCCF is to build better understanding, relationships, and acceptance for one another through dance, song, food, and commerce at our annual community festival.

Cultural diversity is a beautiful, beneficial and vital aspect to our community. Ideas, traditions, values and cultural knowledge are what makes Omaha thrive. We accept all people, regardless of race, ethnicity, age, gender, religion, disabilities, and sexual orientation.

Our vision is to create a community where all individuals feel safe, accepted, and are free to express their cultures and traditions without fear, judgment, or shame. Our core values include Harmony, Compassion, and Inclusion.





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