Community Cosponsorship Program

GLOBAL VOICES
Performing Arts & Lecture Series
A CULTURAL CENTER

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A PLACE FOR YOUR GROUP

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Whether it’s a world music or dance performance, lecture, conference or symposium, international film festival, or a cultural celebration, International House presents public programming that advances cross-cultural understanding and promotes opportunities for civic discourse on community, national and world affairs.

Since 1932, programs such as our Global Voices Performing Arts and Lecture Series have provided Chicago’s citizens, universities, cultural institutions and community groups meaningful engagement with master artists, scholars and leading figures from the world stage.

Situated in one of the most culturally diverse cities in the world and located on the campus of the University of Chicago, International House builds on its historic and educational position as it continues to expand its role as presenter and cosponsor of innovative, internationally-focused programs.

GLOBAL VOICES COMMUNITY COSPONSORSHIP PROGRAM

Through the Global Voices Community Cosponsorship Program, International House offers its conference venues, performance space and professional support to educational and cultural organizations, as part of an ongoing effort to foster culturally authentic programs and to raise awareness of contemporary global issues. We invite your group to apply for Global Voices Community Cosponsorship when planning your next public event.
There are four original International Houses—in Berkeley, Chicago, New York, and Paris—all built with funds provided by John D. Rockefeller, Jr., at the suggestion of Harry Edmonds, a YMCA official. Both men believed that if American and international students could live, work and study together in a comfortable multicultural environment this would lead to friendships and increased international understanding. Today, Chicago’s International House is part of a consortium of 19 International Houses that are separate, independent, nonprofit institutions which span four continents and are united by one mission. Since International House at the University of Chicago first opened its doors in 1932, it has provided a “home away from home” for over 42,000 individuals from around the world.

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BRINGING PEOPLE TOGETHER
International House is more than just a residence for individuals from around the world. Educational and cultural programs such as music, dance and theatrical performances, forums and debates on world issues, and our cultural celebrations are among the hundreds of activities enjoyed by members of Chicago’s communities and International House residents.
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DIVERSE VENUES

THE ASSEMBLY HALL
The beautiful cathedral windows, colorful display of international flags, and rich hues of oak paneling give the spacious Assembly Hall optimum elegance and grandeur. Equipped with a balcony and a full stage including a 9 ft Steinway concert grand piano, dressing rooms, rehearsal and dance studio, projection booth and oak floors, the Assembly Hall is ideal for visual and performing arts, cultural festivals, conferences, seminars, dances and gala dinners. The Assembly Hall can accommodate five hundred guests for performances, conferences and receptions, and two hundred guests for banquets.

THE LIBRARY
The International House Library is a rich, historic space featuring an expansive collection of books curated by the local Seminary Co-op Bookstores. Bright, natural light floods through gothic windows facing the historic Midway Plaisance, and a stone fireplace makes the library a perfect venue for a small author lecture, book club discussion or reception.
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**THE HOME ROOM**
The Home Room is a bright and elegant lounge graced with cathedral ceilings, chandeliers, and a grand piano. Located on the second floor, this room offers striking views of the University of Chicago campus. This intimate room is ideal for recitals, banquets, lectures, symposiums, and multimedia presentations. The Home Room can accommodate up to seventy-two people for banquets and as many as eighty-five for receptions and recitals.

**THE TIFFIN BOARDROOM**
Ideal for intimate receptions and dinners, press conferences, or as a break-out room for a full-day symposium, the Tiffin Boardroom with its historic oak conference/dining table can seat twelve guests. Basked in natural light, the Tiffin Boardroom offers a lovely view of the newly-landscaped fountain Courtyard.

**THE COULTER LOUNGE**
The Coulter Lounge is an impressive room with a view of the historic Midway Plaisance. It boasts high ceilings, handsome oak paneling, leaded glass windows, and a stone fireplace. The Coulter Lounge, with its unique qualities of both an old-world boardroom and a private study, is the ideal room for seminars, recitals, films, and receptions. The Lounge can accommodate fifty guests in a theatre-style or banquet setting and thirty participants for a conference.

**EXHIBITS & WORKSHOPS**

**SYMPOSIUMS & MUSIC**
ACCESSIBLE LANDMARKS

Getting to International House is easy thanks to its exceptional location. International House is fifteen minutes from the downtown Chicago Loop via Lake Shore Drive. International House is served by the Metra train line and express bus service to downtown. Shuttles and limousines to O'Hare and Midway airports make regular stops at the door.

Nearby attractions include the Museum of Science and Industry, the Frank Lloyd Wright Robie House, Rockefeller Memorial Chapel, the Oriental Institute, the Smart Museum of Art and the Court Theatre.

WE AWAIT YOUR ARRIVAL!

BY CAR: Take Lake Shore Drive to the 57th Street exit (Museum of Science and Industry). Drive four blocks west to Stony Island Avenue, then south to 59th Street, then two blocks west.

BY COMMUTER TRAIN: Take the Metra train from Randolph or Van Buren Street and Michigan Avenue to 59th Street, then walk one block west.

BY CTA BUS: Take the Stony Island Express #28, the Hyde Park Express #2, or the Jackson Park Express #6 from downtown State Street to 59th Street, then walk two blocks west. *The #28 and #2 are available from downtown during rush hours only.

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