

Croatia Fest

Newsletter
Spring
2026

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR CROATIAFEST 2026!

CroatiaFest 2026

Sunday, Oct. 4th

12 pm

Seattle Center Armory
305 Harrison St., Seattle
*Music & Dance Performances,
Historical Exhibits, Lectures,
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 on Sunday,
October 4th are FREE and open to
the public.



2025 CROATIAFEST RECAP

To kick off our 22nd festival weekend, the celebrations began with the popular Saturday night Mass at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church where Celebrant Father Tim Clark, who is of Croatian descent, officiated mass accompanied by music provided by Tamburitza Orchestra Kišobran of Seattle. A welcome dance followed at the church hall, with traditional food prepared by the Seattle Junior Tamburitza and lively entertainment provided by Zrinski of Los Angeles. Both local and out-of-town attendees savored the delicacies, danced the night away, and sang along to songs old and new.

At the Seattle Center Armory the following day, our donor brunch launched the day of festivities where CroatiaFest President Cathryn Morovich thanked attendees and introduced the Chairman of the Board Frank Brozovich and Croatian Consul General in Los Angeles Renee Pea, all of whom gave cordial welcome speeches. Accordionist Michael Marinkovich charmed the attendees with familiar songs while our guests fueled up for the big day.

As part of the opening ceremonies and for the third year in a row, Consul General Renee Pea swore in a group of 36

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SPEND THE WEEKEND TO CELEBRATE CROATIAFEST

Enjoy Seattle Center on Saturday – the Space Needle, MOPOP, Seattle Children’s Museum, Chihuly Garden and Glass, and more! Or, explore the treasures of Lake Union: MOHAI and the Center for Wooden Boats. Then stay overnight for CroatiaFest the next day. Two hotels look forward to being your overnight host during the CroatiaFest weekend.

The Maxwell Hotel/StayPineapple at 300 Roy St., is one block north of the Seattle Center. StayPineapple is offering a 20% discount off their regular online rate, available from now until March 11th, 2027. This rate also applies to their three other hotels in Seattle: The Watertown, University Inn, and Hotel Five.

The Residence Inn Seattle Downtown/Lake Union is close to Seattle Center, across the street from Lake Union. It is offering a reduced room rate October 3rd-5th, 2026. Reservations must be made by September 3rd to get this rate.

Please visit www.CroatiaFest.org and scroll to the hotel information, where you will find their direct booking links, which are active now for both hotels.



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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.

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PRESIDENT'S WELCOME

CroatiaFest 2026 is pleased to announce that we will be collaborating with the Association of Croatian American Professionals (ACAP) at this year's festival. ACAP will be hosting its annual conference in Seattle on October 2-4, with delegates arriving from Croatia and throughout the United States. This collaboration will give us the opportunity to share lecturers, exhibits, and activities and showcase "The Emerald City", Seattle Croatians, and surrounding Croatian American communities to our out-of-town guests. We will welcome back to the main stage headliners Rakija Bend of Chicago, IL and new to the festival will be the American Zagreb Junior Tamburitians of Cleveland, OH. Programming and schedules will be updated periodically on the CroatiaFest website www.CroatiaFest.org, Facebook, Instagram, email blasts, and in our next newsletter as plans are finalized.

- Cathryn Morovich, President, CroatiaFest



CROATIAN CONSULAR DAYS AT CROATIAFEST 2026

CroatiaFest 2026 is partnering with Consul General Renee Pea of the Republic of Croatia in Los Angeles, California to host Croatian Consular Days at CroatiaFest — a wonderful opportunity to manage Croatian government business locally in Seattle rather than traveling to Los Angeles.

SERVICES AVAILABLE

You may bring applications and documents to be notarized, certified, or renewed, including passports, visas, citizenship applications, fingerprints, and other Croatian documents. Be sure to clarify and confirm with the Consular team prior to your appointment the method of payment required.

IMPORTANT NOTES

Before your appointment, visit the Consulate General's website at <https://mvep.gov.hr/us/en> to confirm you have all required documentation. Croatian citizenship applications require an extensive amount of paperwork gathered and prepared well in advance, and some documents must be collected within six months of your appointment. Please note that on-site copying is not

available at the Armory – bring your own sets of copies per the instructions on the website.

NATURALIZATION CEREMONY

Those participating in the naturalization ceremony at CroatiaFest should contact the Consulate office directly. Confirmed participants must check in at Seattle Center no later than 10:45am on the morning of Sunday, October 4th.

SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT

Beginning September 1st, the Los Angeles Consulate office will begin taking appointments for CroatiaFest. Slots are limited, so schedule early! The consulate is currently booking out well into the future for regular appointments in the LA office, making this a truly unique opportunity for our community. Contact the Los Angeles Consular Office by phone at (310) 477-1009 or by email at losangeles@mvep.hr.

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

2025 FESTIVAL RECAP

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people in a moving ceremony to receive their Croatian citizenship. The Consular Days staff from the Consulate in Los Angeles were honoring a full schedule of appointments for citizenship applications.

Our expanded Konoba wine room upstairs offered live entertainment all day long, which provided an intimate setting for guests to enjoy imported wines and brandies. We are thrilled to consistently hear that the Konoba is the “place to be!”

Also located upstairs was the art gallery showcasing framed artwork by photographer and ethnographer Martin Koenig.

Martin travelled extensively throughout Croatia in the 1960s and 1970s while capturing extraordinary village scenes in black and white photographs. His eye for documenting daily life in that era left attendees in awe of the immense power, beauty, and greatness of his work. The Larry Weiner costume collection, another new addition to the festival, also graced the art gallery with vibrant color and texture. Larry donated this 40-year collection to the Seattle Junior Tamburitians. These authentic and museum-quality garments were beautifully displayed, featuring the skill and beauty of vintage handmade original costumes. To finish off the art gallery was a display of “connections that bind us,” where members of our community shared objects and heirlooms brought to the US from Croatia by a parent or grandparent. Our film and lecture room featured mountaineer Marko Pavela who shared stories and gave a presentation on active travel, focusing on rock climbing, rafting, and via ferrata. Filmmaker Dalibor Martinis travelled all the way from Croatia to present and discuss his art film ‘Leaving = Arriving,’ which details migration through personal stories from the island of Vis.

At the third-floor cooking stage, our talented chefs Neva Dominis and Alenka Dunatov tempted our tastebuds with a demonstration of making njoki (gnocchi). Our dessert specialists Marija Mataja and Antonija Stipetić made baking look easy with their instructions on making London Štangle. On the way to the main floor, guests visited our “Kako Se Kaže” booth where Professor Nicholas Lovrich and his colleague Jasmina Cernak conversed with visitors about language dialects and translated family letters. New to our festival was the Roslyn Cemetery Legacy Project booth, where one could learn how to navigate the kiosk at the Croatian section of the Roslyn Cemetery that allows visitors to access detailed profiles, bridging the gap between past and present. Members of the Association of Croatian American Professionals (ACAP) happily enrolled new members to their organization, which connects Croatian American professionals while contributing to cultural and educational initiatives. At Chris’ Kids Corner, we brought the Adriatic beach to our young attendees – an inviting sea-themed tent allowed kids to explore sea life, play games, and take home a traditional Christmas wreath project. If you were lucky enough to see members of the Seattle Junior Tamburitians roaming throughout the festival in costume, you were greeted with a smile, a fresh sprig of rosemary with ribbon, and a beautiful photo opportunity with them of this welcoming tradition.



2025 FESTIVAL RECAP

Achievement awards were presented by Consul General Renee Pea to Outstanding Croatian Ken Malich and Featured Young Croatian Ivana Prpić for their contributions to the preservation and promotion of Croatian heritage.

For the second year in a row, the traditional fishing batana boat “Brač,” built in Gig Harbor by master shipwright Michael Vlahovich, proudly stood on the main floor, graced by its familiar red and white checkered sail. This feature was a true showpiece and popular attraction, especially with a net mending demonstration by local fisherman Tim Jovanovich.

In addition to the returning headliner band Zrinski from Los Angeles, we welcomed back performing groups from Seattle, Anacortes, and Vancouver, BC: Tamburaški Orkestar Kardinal Stepinac, Vela Luka Croatian Dance Ensemble, Ruže Dalmatinke, Seattle Junior Tamburitzans, Sinovi, KlapaDooWopella, Bonaca, Radost Folk Ensemble, Kišobran, and Gorani.

Vendor booths sold exotic handmade woods, imported foods, specialty souvenirs, olive oil, traditional cookies, and CroatiaFest apparel. Indoor food booths offered irresistible delicacies like baklava, palačinke (fresh crepes), sarma (stuffed cabbage rolls), and burek (meat or cheese pita). The familiar smells of barbecued lamb, ćevapčići (grilled handmade sausages), and kobasice (kielbasa sausage) filled the outdoor air as guests enjoyed a meal just outside the Armory.

To end the day, the ever-popular live music jam party at the Wing Dome was replaced by our community cheering on the Mariners’ win over the Detroit Tigers in the ALDS series while sporting their royal blue jerseys given to them at Croatian Heritage Day at the ballpark earlier in the year.

Your CroatiaFest team is excited to again collaborate with the Seattle Center and Seattle Center Festal staff along with our new partners from the Association of Croatian American Professionals to deliver a 2026 festival full of our staple familiar features while offering new and exciting additions. See you in October!



THANK YOU, DONORS!

The 2026 CroatiaFest committee would like to express its deepest gratitude for all of your donations to CroatiaFest. Gifts from donors provide the financial support needed to promote Croatian culture in the Pacific Northwest. We acknowledge donors who contribute \$100 or more by invitation to our Donors’ Brunch on the day of our festival.

Supporters like you are the wind beneath our wings. The culmination of your dollars brings Croatian music, dance, history, genealogy, art, and traditions not only to Croatians, but to the general public as well. You help us put on a festival that is well-known not only in the Pacific Northwest for outstanding programming, but across the entire diaspora as well. You are the reason for CroatiaFest’s success, and we are inspired by and grateful for your generosity.

BECOME A CROATIAFEST CORPORATE SPONSOR

CroatiaFest celebrates the unique cultural and historical gifts of the Croatian people. The festival is organized by a committee of around 20 non-paid volunteers with an additional group of community representatives and volunteer workers on the day of the event.

Annual attendance is estimated to be approximately 5,000 people, and the festival is free and open to the public. Because there is no admission fee, it is solely funded by the generous support of donations from the Northwest Croatian Community, Seattle Center, grants, corporate sponsors, and sale of ads in the souvenir program.

Corporate Sponsors provide financial support to enhance CroatiaFest programming while gaining valuable brand visibility and recognition. CroatiaFest is the only Croatian festival with the in-depth, ever-expanding extensive cultural programming like it in the United States! Below are sponsorship opportunities for your consideration. Your corporate name and logo will be prominently displayed so attendees will know your support.

Sponsorship opportunities include:

- Main Stage Presenting Sponsor: \$10,000 (single sponsor) OR \$5,000 (shared sponsorship)
- Key Area Sponsors: \$1,500

Marketing and Advertising opportunities include:

- Naming rights of staging area with prominent signage featuring corporate name and logo.
- Event communications and social media advertising on the CroatiaFest website that has over 4,000 followers. Facebook/Instagram have an average of 1,200 visits per month.
- The CroatiaFest Website Advertiser page stands as a prime destination for engagement, ranking among the top 10 most viewed pages on the site.
- Printed or digital event materials including the semi-annual CroatiaFest newsletter (mailed out to 2,000+ recipients and shared online), 500 posters and 2,000 postcards posted and shared at other cultural events throughout greater Pacific Northwest prior to CroatiaFest, and a full-page ad in the CroatiaFest souvenir program with a distribution of 750 at CroatiaFest.

For us to continue to produce this unique, one-of-a-kind festival with outstanding programming, we are asking for your support by being a corporate sponsor. This will ensure that this universally recognized celebration will continue to be a part of the vibrant network of Northwest cultural celebrations. For more information on becoming a CroatiaFest sponsor, please contact Cathryn Morovich at contact@croatiafest.org.

CELEBRATE CROATIAN HERITAGE AT T-MOBILE PARK

Join us as we cheer on the Seattle Mariners on May 17th for Croatian Heritage Night! Gather your friends, family, and fellow members of the community for a special celebration at the ballpark. This exclusive offer includes a Mariners-themed Croatian Heritage Jersey and specially priced tickets to a Sunday afternoon matchup against the Padres. Visit mariners.com/Croatia for more information and to purchase your tickets. See you at the ballpark!



SOUVENIR PROGRAM ADVERTISING

You can support CroatiaFest by placing an ad in the 2026 CroatiaFest Souvenir Program, which will be printed and available for attendees on October 4th at the Seattle Center Armory.

CroatiaFest is a celebration of music, dance, cultural exhibits, and food that make our Croatian culture so unique. Funds raised through our souvenir program advertising supports CroatiaFest, a non-profit cultural organization that promotes and preserves Croatian culture.

Ads are available as follows:

Full Page (8 ½" x 11"): \$500, Half Page (5.5"x8.5"): \$300

Quarter Page (4"x5"): \$200, Small Ad (2"x2"): \$75

By purchasing an ad in the program, the full color advertisement will also appear for one year at www.CroatiaFest.org.

If you have been a previous advertiser, you can let us know if you would like to use last year's ad – no problem! We can also create an ad for you – just let us know. New artwork should be submitted to croatiafestads@gmail.com by August 1st in a PDF, JPG or EPS format @ 300 dpi.

If you have any questions or if you want to submit an ad, please email Priscilla Lisicich at michi@rainierconnect.com.

Payment for the ad is due August 30th. Checks should be made payable to CroatiaFest and mailed to: CroatiaFest, P.O. Box 58490, Seattle WA 98138.

Please submit your intention to place an ad no later than August 1st.



CROATIAFEST WELCOMES BACK RAKIJA BEND

CroatiaFest 2026 is pleased to welcome back Rakija Bend from Chicago, Illinois as the headline tamburitza band for this year's festival. The band started out small with two or three guys who started playing together with small, short pick-up band gigs. When they started getting calls for larger events, they picked up a couple more players to fill in. With all that talent, instrumentally and vocally, they became Rakija Bend. The group is made up of six talented singers and musicians: Ivan Mulac, Steve Ovanin, Petar Naumovski, and Ivica Hosticka on tambura, Mate Mulac on accordion, and Paul Prsa on bass. Their repertoire consists of a large selection of traditional Croatian kolos as well as modern songs that are popular with both young and old. They are not to be missed! The group will be performing on the main stage and in the popular "Konoba" wine room on the 3rd floor of the Armory on Sunday, October 4th. The schedule of performances will be posted at www.CroatiaFest.org as plans are finalized.



ACAP AT CROATIAFEST

Founded in 2014, the Association of Croatian American Professionals (ACAP) is a volunteer-driven nonprofit organization that brings together professionals from all industries and academic communities. Its goal is to foster knowledge exchange and strengthen the cultural and economic ties between the United States and Croatia. What began as a small group of visionary leaders led by Marko Zoretic in California has grown into a global community of over 2,500 members across 10+ chapters in the U.S. and Croatia.

Membership is inclusive and welcoming to everyone; Croatians, American Croatians, and all friends of Croatia are invited to participate. Through high-impact programs like the Domovina Birthright Program for young adults and the Career Hub for professional development, ACAP has become the central US organization for Croatian professionals. The organization remains dedicated to the next generation by providing annual scholarships to students.

ACAP Seattle: A Growing Local Community Right Here in the Pacific Northwest

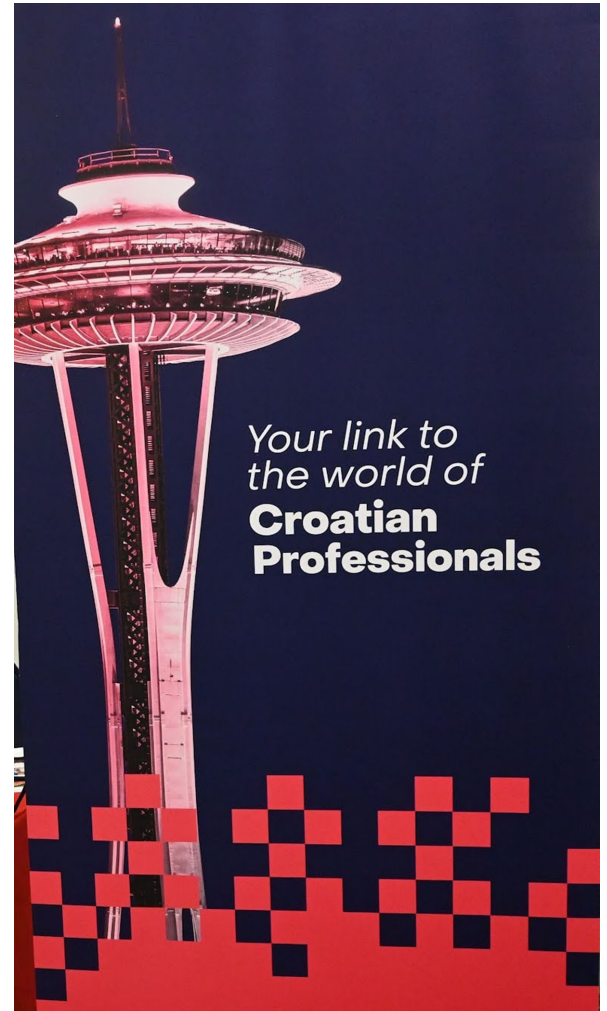
The ACAP Seattle Chapter has been a vibrant hub for the local community since 2020. Led by Vedran Brozović and a dedicated group of volunteers, the chapter has grown to over 50 members and has hosted more than 15 events, ranging from professional panels to rooftop social gatherings.

The Seattle Chapter has been a proud participant at CroatiaFest for the past three years, using the festival to connect with the broader community. The chapter hosts quarterly in-person events in the Seattle area, offering a space for everyone from established executives to those just starting their careers to share expertise and celebrate their shared culture.

Save the Date: The 10th Annual ACAP Conference in Seattle

In a major milestone for our local community, Seattle has been chosen to host the flagship 10th Annual ACAP Conference from October 2-4, 2026. This event will bring together hundreds of members, entrepreneurs, and thought leaders from across the U.S. and Croatia to the "Emerald City."

Known for its spirit of innovation, Seattle provides the perfect backdrop for discussions on the future of industry and the Croatian American community's role in it. The conference will feature high-level networking, industry-specific breakout sessions, and a gala celebration. We encourage the entire CroatiaFest community to join us for what promises to be our most impactful gathering yet.



OUTSTANDING CROATIANS OF THE YEAR

Do you know someone who has made an outstanding contribution to preserving and celebrating the cultural heritage and traditions of Croatian culture in our region? If you do, we want you to nominate them for consideration for the Outstanding Croatian of the Year award. Each year the Board of CroatiaFest selects an adult and a young person to receive this award and be honored on the main stage at the annual CroatiaFest celebration in the Seattle Center Armory on October 4th. Entries in the past have been made for those who help celebrate the cooking of Croatia, performing arts, dance, and music, as well as projects that preserve our cultural history.

We have two categories - Outstanding Croatian of the Year and Outstanding Young Croatian of the Year (under 30 years of age).

To submit a nomination, please provide (in essay form) the name of the person and two paragraphs why you think they deserve this award – it's that simple! Please include their name and information about their projects, events, community installations, or commitment to sharing Croatian culture with the regional, State, national and/or international communities

Submissions are due by May 30th, 2026. Send your nomination to: Priscilla Lisicich at michi@rainierconnect.com or call 253-905-4000 for more information.

Hvala!

CROATIAN CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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| April 30th | SABS Blood Drive, Slavonian Hall, Tacoma, WA |
| May 2nd | Seattle Junior Tamburitza's Kavana, Kennedy High School, Burien, WA |
| May 16th | Fishermen's Dinner "Ribarska Večer," American Croatian Club in Anacortes, Anacortes, WA |
| May 17th | Seattle Mariners Croatian Heritage Day, T-Mobile Park, Seattle, WA |
| May 22nd-25th | NW Folklife Festival, Seattle Center, Seattle, WA |
| June 7th | Radost Folk Ensemble 50th Anniversary, Kirkland Performing Arts Center, Kirkland, WA |
| June 13th | Skansie Netshed Foundation Annual Salmon Dinner, Gig Harbor, WA |
| July 4th | Ronald 4th of July Heritage Festival, Hawthorne Hall, Ronald, WA |
| July 18th | Roslyn, Ronald, Cle Elum Heritage Club Croatian Picnic, Pioneer Park, Roslyn, WA |
| July 25th | CFU Seattle Lodge 439 Annual Picnic, Royal Arch Park, Maple Valley, WA |
| August 30th | Bellingham Croatian Picnic, Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Bellingham, WA |
| Sept. 10th-13th | Tamburitza Association of America Extravaganza, St. Louis, MO |
| October 2nd-4th | Annual ACAP Conference, Seattle, WA |
| October 4th | CroatiaFest, Seattle Center Armory, Seattle, WA |
| December 12th | SABS Annual Christmas Party, Slavonian Hall, Tacoma, WA |
| January 3rd, 2027 | Fešta Tri Kralja, Holy Rosary, West Seattle, WA |

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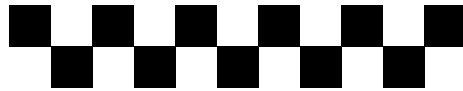
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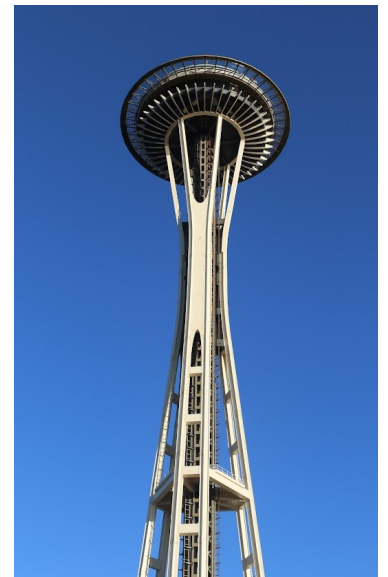
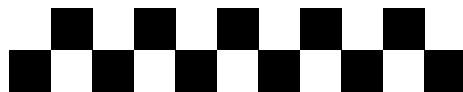
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