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Friday September 8th
4:00pm - 11:00pm
receive complimentary
admission with your ID

A Peek at Festa Italiana 2023
Admission \$10.00
Children 12 and under free

Hours:

Friday, September 8	4:00 pm - 11:00 pm
Saturday, September 9	11:00 am - 11:00 pm
Sunday, September 10	12:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Friday, September 8

Entertainment Stage:

4:00 pm	Giovanni Amodeo (Direct from Rome)
6:30 pm	Enzo Scarano
9:00 pm	Generation Z

Cucina Showcase:

5:00 pm	Chef Tim Callahan (Blue Bat Kitchen & Tequilaria)
6:30 pm	Chef Ben Jones (Potawatomi)
7:30 pm	Chef Corrinne Kaehler and Chef Clifford Hull (Onesto)
9:00 pm	Cory Pesaturo

Opening Ceremonies

6:00 pm The opening ceremonies will take place in the Grand Ballroom followed by a reception in the Cucina Showcase

Saturday, September 9

Entertainment Stage

11:00 am	Enzo Scarano
1:30 pm	The Russo Brothers
4:00 pm	Frank Lamphere & His Rat Pack Jazz Quartet
6:30 pm	The Dynamix
9:00 pm	Rhythm Kings

Cucina Showcase:

10:00 am - 10:30 am	Best Sauce Drop-off for Contestants
11:00 am - 1:00 pm	Best Sauce Tasting for the Public
11:45 am	Chef Adam Pawlak (Egg & Flour)
12:45 pm - 1:00 pm	Best Sauce Judging
1:15 pm	Chef Austin Tess (St. Rita's Square)
2:15 pm	Cannoli Eating Contest
3:30 pm	David Magnasco (Chef's Table)
5:00 pm	Not So Newlywed Game
7:00 pm	Italian Idol
9:00 pm	Cory Pesaturo

10:30 Fireworks

Sunday, September 10

Entertainment Stage:

12:00 pm	Enzo Scarano
2:30 pm	Milwaukee Mandolin Orchestra
5:00 pm	Four Guyz in Dinner Jackets

Cucina Showcase:

1:00 pm	Chef Juan Urbieta (Bartolotta Ristorante)
2:15 pm	Special Italian Sweets Demo
3:30 pm	Kid's Pizza Making Contest
5:00 pm	Joe Scalissi with Cory Pesaturo
6:00 pm	Raffle Drawing

10:30 am Festa Mass (Grand Ballroom),
with Procession & Benediction to follow

12:30 pm Bocce Tournament

All Three Days

Tradizione Vivente – Entertainment Area

I Bei Bambini – Entertainment Area

Children's Area – Carnival rides, Games, Arts & Crafts

Open Bocce

50/50 Raffle Ticket Purchase

Food and Beverages

Sciortino's Bakery

Nadi Plates

Bartolotta Ristorante

Scrima's Pizza

Badger Corn

Festa Sausage

Festa Rice Balls

Festa Pizza

Festa Beverages: Beer, Wine, Soda & Water

Jo-Cats Pub, featuring Signature Drinks and Spirits

Lemon Chill

Calia & Semenza Cart

Heritage, Culture & Religious Exhibit

The Italian Heritage and Cultural Exhibit will return to the Festa Ballroom at the Italian Community Center. The exhibit includes our **Historic Photo Collection** of Italian immigrants embracing their new life as they settled in Milwaukee's Third and First Wards. The heart of the community was The Blessed Virgin of Pompeii Church. **Sacred Art** from our religious societies and our Italian churches will highlight the importance of faith to Italians then and now. A new exhibit this year will celebrate Opera with artifacts from our **Festa Opera Collection**. The Opera Tent was always a favorite destination at Festa in the past. We have a number of photos and posters we would like to share at Festa 2023.

Festa Mass

Mass will take place in the Grand Ballroom at 10:30 on Sunday. Fr. Marco Valentini who was ordained on May 22, 1994 at the Vatican, is an Associate Pastor at St. John Vianney Catholic Church in Brookfield. Previously he was an Associate Pastor in Rome. A procession to the site of the Little Pink Church will follow the Mass with benediction.

Run for the Cure

Have you ever wanted to change someone's life? That's why The Italian Community Center is participating in the Make-A-Wish Walk For Wishes on Saturday, September 9, 2023, on the south end of the Summerfest Grounds. The walk will start at 9:00 a.m. A granted wish can be a turning point for a child with a critical illness. It can even replace fear with confidence and sadness with joy. But more kids are waiting, so become part of the ICC team. Email Mary Anne Ceraso-Alioto at: maryanne.ceraso@charter.com for more information. Participants will receive a free t-shirt and a wrist band for free admission to Festa Italiana. You can make a donation, or better yet, register to walk and fundraise with the ICC team! Just go to <http://site.wish.org/goto/ICC>.

The Italian Community Center is also partnering with Project Bubaloo in The Ultimate Heart Race set for Saturday, September 9th at American Family Field. The race will help raise funds for the nearly 40,000 infants in the U.S. that are born with congenital heart disease (CHD) every year. CHD is the most common birth defect and the leading cause of infant death due to birth defects. Project Bubaloo a Milwaukee-based non-profit with a mission to spread CHD awareness and fund research. All participants wearing their official race shirt will be admitted free to Festa.

Raffle

The Festa 50/50 Raffle is back with tickets at \$10.00 each or 3 for \$25.00. The drawing will be held Sunday at 6:00 pm on the Cucina Showcase stage. You can purchase your tickets now at the ICC Office or throughout the days of the festival. You need not be present to win.

Best Sauce Competition

The 10 top contestants from the August 26th preliminary will compete for the honor of Milwaukee's Best Sauce sponsored by St. Rita's Square. Starting at 11:00 on Saturday until 1:00 all festival attendees will have an opportunity to taste each of the sauces and vote on their favorite. The tasting will be at the Cucina Showcase. The judges, Maria Bartolotta, Chef Adam Pawlak and CEO Jim Tarantino will have the difficult task of choosing the winner of the "Judge's Award". Attendees will choose the "People's Choice Award". For more details, go to mkebestsauce.com.

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