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INTERNATIONAL FOOD FEST ATTRACTS MUSIC AND FOOD FROM ACROSS THE WORLD
With “The Legends Live On!” Featuring Michael Allman, Sheila Raye Charles, Claudette King and Charles Neville

Springfield, Mass. – May 26th–May 30th 2016 – The first annual **International Food Fest at the Eastern States Exposition** will take place during Memorial Day weekend in Springfield Mass. The International Food Fest celebrates culture from over 50 different nations by demonstrating their faiths, crafts, clothes, beers, wines, and foods. Doors open at 4 p.m. on Thursday May 26th, and single-day and five-day admission packages are now available.

Eating and drinking certainly won't be the only taste-worthy activity going on throughout the weekend at the food festival, with family fun things to experience, watch, listen to and eat just around every corner. That includes professional firework displays every night, over 30 carnival rides and games for all ages, live music featuring over 50 bands from throughout the world peppered across four different stages, eating contests, dragon parades, visual arts, dancing and over 100 different craft vendors. This year will also incorporate the event's first International Peace Summit.

“The last time I went to K Fest I was planning on going to grab a quick bite, listening to one or two bands tops, and taking off. It's only ten bucks to get in for the whole day, so dropping in for just a few minutes didn't seem like a big deal. Well, it kinda' was. I remember hearing this one band as I passed by one of the many stages while I was scouting food vendors... I couldn't walk away. They were youthful, and they were incredible. I watched them finish out their set, only to get sucked into another awesome band right away afterward” remembered Gary Carra, writer for the Valley Advocate. “The next thing I knew the entire day had passed, I'd seen like ten different bands and I was more than three meals deep...”.

The **International Food Fest at the Eastern States Exposition** is going to have more bands, more food from more different places than ever before at its K Fest predecessor. **The Legends Live On!** will be taking the stage Sat. May 28th at 8 p.m. The band is composed of some big names, each of whose parents and reputations reflect some of the heaviest hitters to ever take the stage here in the United States. **The Legends Live On!** features Gregg Allman's son **Michael Allman**, Ray Charles' daughter **Sheila Raye Charles** and BB King's daughter **Claudette King** on vocals. The vocal power-trio is complimented by Grammy Award winning Charles Neville on the saxophone, and multi-award winning blues artist **Jeff Pitchell** on guitar. This will be one of the must-see musical performances over the weekend.

In addition to **The Legends Live On!** music will be featured from various regions from all across the globe, as well as from right here in the northeast. Attendees can expect to hear a variety of sounds and styles that range from Polish Polkas and Latin dance parties to Mediterranean classics, Chicago house music and authentic roots reggae – just to name a few. There's also plenty of tribute to favorites like Bob Marley, the Def Tones, Fleetwood Mac and Tom Petty. Northeast based touring artists like Balkun Brothers and regional favorites like Chris McKay & The Tone Shifters and The Screaming Eagle Band will also be rocking originals at various stages throughout the weekend.

“There's food from so many different places, I've never seen anything else like it – And every year there's more and more. I don't know where else I can walk around for fifteen minutes and end up with a self-constructed combo-plate of Tibetan dumplings, Korean BBQ, Belgium Waffles and Spanish rice,” said Shane Duclos, a Chicopee resident and K Fest veteran. This year's event will include food from over 30 different countries, with tours of kielbasa, bacon, pierogi, BBQ, wings, pickles, dumplings, burgers and even a complete world tour featuring international cuisine from all over.

Each day features different themes, like International Biker Night and Kielbasa Festival, as well as different parades, contests and special events. Go to KFestFoodFest.com for a band schedule and a breakdown of all the theme nights, regular and special VIP ticket packages, info on vendors, bands, artists, festival food tours, fireworks, hotels and more.

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