

IlluminAsia: A Festival of Asian Art, Food, and Cultures
October 14, 5 PM – Midnight
October 15, 11 AM – 5 PM

Festival Accessibility Information

The IlluminAsia festival strives to be accessible and inclusive and welcomes all visitors to celebrate the grand reopening of the Freer and Sackler Galleries.

Accessing the Outdoor Festival and the Freer | Sackler Galleries

- Access to all outside festival venues is available via concrete or brick sidewalks and/or packed gravel walkways.
- Barrier-free entrance to the Freer | Sackler is located on level 1 at Independence Avenue. All levels of the museums are accessible by elevator, including exhibition space and all public facilities.
- Please note that during the weekend of the festival, there will be no vehicular traffic permitted on Jefferson Drive between 14th and 7th streets (this area WILL be open to pedestrian traffic).
- The closest drop-off and pick-up points are located along Independence Avenue.
- Metered parking is available on Independence Avenue. ADA / Accessible parking is available, for a charge, at nearby parking garages.
- The closest Metro station is Smithsonian. Please note that the National Mall station closes at 10 PM. The Independence Avenue station entrance remains open through regular Metro operating hours.
- Accessible restroom facilities are available on the outdoor festival grounds and within the Freer | Sackler. Family/Companion Care facilities are available in the Freer | Sackler on level B2.



We recommend that you bring your own mobility device if you traditionally use one due to stamina or disability. A **limited number** of **wheelchairs** and **folding-cane chairs** are available for use in the outdoor festival site. Visit the Information Tent nearest to the Street Food Market to borrow equipment. Additional wheelchairs are available through security staff at the museum entrances. Visitors must leave a photo ID before borrowing a wheelchair.

Designated **accessible spaces** are available at all festival stages and in the festival dining areas.

Service Animal water stations are located throughout the outdoor site and are marked with signage.



Assistive Listening is available throughout the festival at Freer Plaza, Haupt Garden Stage, Food Demo Tent, the Meyer Auditorium (Freer), and Discovery Theater (Ripley Center). Receivers are available from a festival staff member or volunteer at each location. Neckloops are also available for those using personal devices with t-coil systems. You may be asked to provide a picture ID to check out a device. Please be sure to return your receiver at the end of each program.



American Sign Language (ASL) interpretation will be available throughout the Festival. ASL interpretation is scheduled for the following events throughout the weekend:

- All Freer Plaza performances (Oct. 14-15)
- Shadow Puppet Theater from Bali
 - Oct. 14, 9:30 PM (Haupt Garden)
 - Oct. 15, 11:30 AM (Ripley Center, Discovery Theater)
- Tai Chi for All Ages
 - Oct. 15, 11 AM (Freer Plaza)
- Storytelling Across Asia
 - Oct. 15, 1:30, 3, 4:30 PM (Ripley Center, Discovery Theater)

ASL Interpreted Festival Highlights Tour*: This tour will feature remarks by one of the festival curators sharing the vision and goals of the festival. The tour will then proceed through the festival site stopping at selected artist demonstrations and hands-on activities.

- Oct. 14, 6:30–8:30 PM
- Oct. 15, 1:30–3:30 PM

****Please reserve your space for these tours in advance by emailing NuttingD@si.edu***

Additional ASL Interpretation for other Festival events may be requested and provided as available. Please visit the Information Tent nearest to the Street Food Market to request additional services.



Real-Time Captioning (CART) services will be provided throughout the weekend at the Savor Asia Food Demo Tent.

Saturday, Oct. 14

- Flavors of Bahrain – 5 PM
- Flavors of the Phillipines – 6 PM
- *Farm to Table Asian Secrets* - 7 PM
- Flavors of Indonesia – 8:15 PM

Sunday, Oct. 15

- Flavors of Laos – Noon
- Flavors of Asia and Peru – 1 PM
- Flavors of Indonesia – 2:15 PM
- Flavors of Bahrain – 3 PM



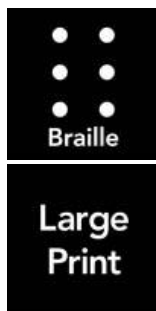
Audio Description will be provided for the Live Projection: *A Perfect Harmony* (on the Freer Plaza) on Oct. 14 at 8 and 9:15 PM. Please visit the Information Tent near the Street Food Market fifteen minutes prior to the start of the projection to obtain a headset.

Audio-Described Festival Highlights Tour*: This tour will feature remarks by one of the festival curators sharing the vision and goals of the festival. The tour will then proceed to selected artist demonstrations and hands-on activities for a descriptive and tactile exploration of the festival.

- Oct. 14, 5:30–7:30 PM
- Oct. 15, 12:30–2:30 PM

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Sighted Guide Assistance may be requested to provide terrain navigation or one-to-one description pending availability. Please visit the Information Tent nearest to the Street Food Market to request additional services.



Festival Brochures are available in **Braille** and **Large Print** from the Information Tent located near the Street Food Market.

Daily schedules that include **ASL interpreted**, **Real Time Captioning (CART)**, and **Audio Described** events are available at all Information Tables throughout the festival site.

For additional information regarding accessibility for the IlluminAsia festival, please contact Diane Nutting at NuttingD@si.edu.