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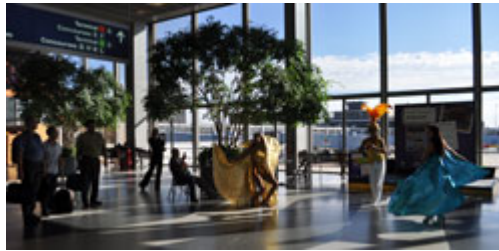
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CDA Web Alert

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Unity Month Entertainment at O'Hare and Midway

The Chicago Department of Aviation is joining the city-wide celebration of Unity Month this September with a diverse selection of entertainment featured at O'Hare and Midway International Airports.



On Friday September 17, passengers traveling through O'Hare and Midway will be treated to a taste of Chicago's rich musical heritage with live entertainment in the terminals. This month's designation celebrates the diverse people and cultures that make Chicago such a unique place to live and work.

Five dance groups, part of the Chicago Department of Aviation (CDA) "Music in the Air" program, will perform live from 2 to 5 p.m. on the secure side of the domestic terminals, and on the lower level at the international terminal at O'Hare, and the secure side at Midway.

The entertainment stages at O'Hare are located in Terminal 1, B Concourse across from Duty Free; Terminal 2, across from CIBO Market; Terminal 3 near Concourse L and in Terminal 5, Lower Level across from the Information Booth. At Midway, the stage is near the Battle of Midway exhibit in Concourse A.

Friday's line up includes M.A.D.D. Rhythms, Big City Swing, Chicago Samba, Big Slim Steppin' Network and Cu'Roi.

Last Friday's Unity Month entertainment included dancers from M.A.D.D. Rhythms (tap); Big Slim Steppin Network, Studio Viva and Chicago Samba.

The "Music in the Air" program is continuous throughout the year, in conjunction with the Chicago's downtown festivals and holiday celebrations.

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The Chicago Department of Aviation (CDA) is self-supporting, using no local or state tax dollars for operations or capital improvements at O'Hare and Midway International airports. Together, Chicago's airports generate more than \$45 billion in annual economic activity and create 540,000 jobs for the region. Please visit www.flychicago.com to learn more about the Chicago Department of Aviation.

The CDA continues to incorporate and expand sustainable initiatives for airport planning, operations and maintenance, concessions and tenants in accordance with the CDA Sustainable Airport Manual (SAM), released in August 2009. To view case studies, lessons learned and new technologies, and for more information on the SAM, please visit www.airportsgoinggreen.org.

The O'Hare Modernization Program (OMP), introduced by Mayor Richard M. Daley in June 2001, transforms O'Hare's airfield from an outdated system of intersecting runways into a modern parallel runway configuration. The program will reduce overall delays at the Airport by 79 percent, and bad weather delays by 95 percent. It will create 195,000 new jobs and \$18 billion in additional economic activity each year. Please visit www.oharemodernization.org to learn more about the OMP.

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