

PUBLIC EVENT/SPECIAL ALCOHOL LICENSE APPLICATION

City of Somerville, Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Application #: PEL23-000182

File #: 23-017675

Application for: Public Event

Organization name: Tareq Rantisi

Description: Free Outdoor concert

Date(s): October 15

Setup starts at (time): 11.30 AM

Cleanup after the event ends at (time): 4.30 PM

Entertainment: Music Concert

Attendees:

Max attendance at one time: 50-70

Maximum attendees accommodated: 150

Attendee fees or suggested donations: Free

Social or cultural benefits:

My name is Tareq Rantisi I am a Grammy-nominated global jazz percussionist, educator, and composer I am a recipient of the 2023 LCC Grant and my project is "World Music Concert Series: Celebrate Diverse Somerville.

The concerts have a spatial and social justice focus, bringing diverse world-class artists to underutilized public spaces. The series features artists representing our local community, in parks that rarely host public events; The artists are masters of their own cultural traditions.

All Concerts are Outdoors, Free, and intended to be accessible to all people (immunocompromised, disabled, elderly, children, etc). Street parking is available, locations are public transport and ramp accessible. Free masks will be available for the public Co-sponsored by ProjectN95

This World Music Concert Series, Celebrate Diversity, Build Community Somerville is supported in part by a grant from the Somerville Arts Council and the Massachusetts Cultural Council.

Event Contact: Tareq Rantisi

Event name: World Music Concert Series: Celebrate Diverse Somerville.

Location: Seven Hills Park

Rain date(s): October 22

Event starts at (time): 2.00 PM

Event ends at (time): 3.30 PM

Temporary Structures: WE will have a 10x10 pop up tent just in case of extreme heat or light rain

Total people attending: 100-150

Total Somerville residents attending: 100

What is your budget for this event: \$2500

Financial benefits:

The Series brings numerous social and cultural benefits to the residents, fostering a sense of community, and appreciation for diversity, and offering unique and enriching experiences. The attendees will also have a positive economic impact on local businesses such as restaurants, cafes, and shops.-

Event Contact Phone: 6177022971

Event Information	Yes/No	If yes, Describe
Open to the public?	Yes	I will employ various outreach and publicity strategies to ensure good attendance. Social media promotion: Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and YouTube and email marketing. I will also distribute physical posters at high-traffic locations, local venues, coffee shops, and restaurants and use other local online event listings
Food served?	No	
Caterer used?	No	
Alcohol served?	No	
Grill/open-flame device used?	No	
Streets blocked?	No	
Sidewalks blocked?	No	

Describe any accessibility features available to attendees/participants

Primarily, the World Music Concert Series, Celebrate Diversity, Build Community actively highlights musicians and ensembles from Queer, Black/Brown, Indigenous, POC and communities. Second, the series aims to create new relationships, invest in each other's communities, and recognize, accept, and celebrate our differences through music. We will be reaching out to organizations such as (African, Latino(a), Asian, Arab, and Native American (ALAANA) organizations, AAPI(Asian American and Pacific Islander, MENA(Middle East and North Africa , People of the Global Majority and People of the Global African Diaspora to collaborate, hire musicians, promote the concert series.

The design of the series prioritizes accessibility: it will be held outdoors, in ramp-accessible locations, we will distribute written transcripts of opening comments and other spoken information about the music ensembles, in multiple languages depending on the location (English, Spanish, Chinese, Arabic) among other accessibility measures.

Arrangements:

Police Detail:	No	
Parking (for Attendees)?	No	
Restrooms?	No	
Liability Insurance?	No	
Will any public parks be used?	Yes	Seven Hills Park
Has the event occurred in the last two years?	Yes	10/22/2022 Powder House

Approval Conditions:

Approved By:

CS Mayor, Approved

Albert Bargoote, Approved

Kevin Roche, Approved

Timothy Bakey, Approved

CS Traffic and Parking, Approved

Jill Lathan, Approved

Susan Yerkes, Approved

Timothy Mitsakis, Approved