



Ethiopian Community Spring Fair

June 9, 2019, 2pm,
Riverbank State Park, NYC

A four part day to bring our community together!

Part 1. Games for Kids (2pm and 4-6 pm)

Soccer, three legged race, tug of war, egg on a spoon race, as well as games we grew up playing... Pepsi, Kiliblibosh

Part 2. Music, dance and recognition of Successes (3-4pm)

Cultural performance and lessons and recognition of significant milestones and events in our community

Part 3. Resource Fair and Panel Discussion (4-6pm)

Resource Fair

i. Know Your Rights Workshop,

African Communities Together's¹ Amaha Kassa (Executive Director) and Bert Bayou (DC Chapter Director) will conduct a Know your Rights Workshop. Undocumented people are often made to believe they have no rights because of their immigration status. In this workshop, African Communities Together explains the rights of undocumented persons and provide tips for dealing with law enforcement and ICE. Participants will be able to sign-up to receive free immigration assistance through ACT. This workshop is suitable for everyone, regardless of immigration status. Assefash Mekonen and

ii. Autism Awareness and Early intervention

Meseret Meshesha Tena, M.D., FAAP, Director of Pediatrics will speak about identifying developmental delays with a focus on autism and how to access resources.

iii. Financial Health and Well Being

Hanna Yilma-Aviram² – Financial Services Professional will provide guidance on longterm financial planning and security.

Intergenerational Panel Discussion

Opportunity for a frank and in-depth discussion on navigating the terrain of being multi-cultural/racial, growing up in the US or just arriving, managing relationships with peers and parents, fitting in and professional networking.

Part. 4. Informal Adult Pick up soccer (starting at 6pm)

The Spring Fair would not be possible without the partnership with the Professional Ethiopians Network (PEN), Ethiopian Social Assistance Committee (ESAC), African Communities Together (ACT), Awash, Settepani, Abyssinia and Benyam Restaurants, Jimma Juice Bar and the Ethiopian Mission to the United Nations.

¹ An organization of African immigrants fighting for civil rights, opportunity, and a better life for our families here in the U.S. and worldwide. ACT empowers African immigrants to integrate socially, get ahead economically, and engage civically. ACT connects African immigrants to critical services, help Africans develop as leaders, and organize our communities on the issues that matter.

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