



Program

FRIDAY, JULY 7, 2023

- 8:30 P.M. **WELCOME DANCE** in the White River Ballroom of the JW Marriott Hotel at Indianapolis, Indiana with music provided by Pivari of Milwaukee, Wisconsin and by combos from the various Junior Tamburitza Ensembles.

SATURDAY, JULY 8, 2023

- 8:00 A.M. **REGISTRATION** of Participating Ensembles in the Foyer of the White River Ballroom of the JW Marriott Hotel.
- 9:00 A.M. **JOINT REHEARSAL OF ALL PARTICIPATING ENSEMBLES** in the White River Ballroom of the JW Marriott Hotel.
- 10:00 A.M. **REHEARSAL** for Music Directors in the White River Ballroom of the JW Marriott Hotel.
- 12:00 P.M. **Doors Open** for General Audience to enter White River Ballroom.
- 1:00 P.M. **OPENING** of the 55th Annual CFU Junior Cultural Federation Tamburitza Festival in the White River Ballroom of the JW Marriott Hotel.
- NATIONAL ANTHEMS** — By the Croatian Junior Tamburitizens of St. Louis, Missouri.
- INVOCATION** — Fr. William Hritsko, Pastor, Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Buckeye Lake, OH and St. Leonard's Catholic Church, Heath, OH.
- GREETINGS** — Michael Ricci, President CFU Junior Cultural Federation; Franjo Bertović, National Vice President/ Member Services, Croatian Fraternal Union of America.
- MASTER OF CEREMONIES** — Edward W. Pazo, National President Croatian Fraternal Union of America.

EACH ENSEMBLE WILL PERFORM FOR 12 MINUTES

1. **CROATIAN JUNIOR TAMBURITZANS**, St. Louis, Missouri
 2. **HOOSIER STRINGS JUNIOR TAMBURITZANS**, Merrillville, Indiana
 3. **SVETI LOVRO JUNIOR TAMBURITZANS**, Steelton, Pennsylvania
 4. **RANKIN JUNIOR TAMBURITZANS**, Rankin, Pennsylvania
 5. **MILWAUKEE CROATIAN JUNIOR TAMBURITZANS**, Milwaukee, Wisconsin
 6. **JADRAN BEAVER VALLEY JUNIOR TAMBURITZANS**, Alliquippa, Pennsylvania
 7. **QUEEN HELENA CCC&CS**, Kitchener, Ontario, Canada
 8. **SLOBODA JUNIOR TAMBURITZANS**, Chicago, Illinois
 9. **FOLKLORNI ANSAMBL HRVATSKO SELO, SV. KRIŽ**, Hamilton, Ontario, Canada
 10. **CROATIAN NATIONAL HOME JUNIOR TAMBURITZANS**, Hamilton, Ontario, Canada
- 5:00 P.M. **TAMBURITZA CATHOLIC MASS** celebrated in the White River Ballroom of the JW Marriott Hotel by Fr. William Hritsko, Pastor, Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Buckeye Lake, OH and St. Leonard's Catholic Church, Heath, OH. Music will be provided by directors of the ensembles.
- 9:00 P.M. **SATURDAY NIGHT SOCIAL AND DANCE** will be held in the White River Ballroom of the JW Marriott Hotel. Music will be provided by Sadma Brzina of Cleveland, Ohio and by combos from the various Junior Tamburitza Ensembles.

55th Annual Tamburitza Festival

SUNDAY, JULY 9, 2023

- 11:00 A.M.** Children begin assembling on stage in the White River Ballroom of the JW Marriott Hotel for the Grand Performance of all members of the participating ensembles.
Doors to Ballroom remain closed to the general public.
- 11:45 A.M.** Doors to the White River Ballroom open to general public.
- 12:00 P.M.** Festival Program begins in the White River Ballroom of the JW Marriott Hotel.
- NATIONAL ANTHEMS** — By the Cleveland Junior Tamburitza of Cleveland, Ohio.
- INVOCATION** — Fr. William Hritsko, Pastor, Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Buckeye Lake, OH and St. Leonard's Catholic Church, Heath, OH.
- PRESENTATION** of Guest Conductor John Pruzin, by Derek Hohn, CFU Director of Fraternal Programs, Croatian Fraternal Union of America.
- COMBINED PERFORMANCE** of participating ensembles under the direction of Guest Conductor John Pruzin.
1. **Dobro Došli**
 2. **Majko Stara**
 3. **Fešta - Arranged by Jerry Grcevič**
- GREETINGS** — Michael Ricci, President CFU Junior Cultural Federation;
Mijo Marić, Director, Hrvatska Matica Iseljenika, Zagreb;
Bernadette M. Luketich-Sikaras, National Secretary/Treasurer, Croatian Fraternal Union of America.
- MASTER OF CEREMONIES** — Edward W. Pazo, National President
Croatian Fraternal Union of America.

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1. **CLEVELAND JUNIOR TAMBURITZANS**, Cleveland, Ohio
 2. **ST. GEORGE JUNIOR TAMBURITZANS**, Cokeburg, Pennsylvania
 3. **OKOLITZA JUNIOR TAMBURITZANS**, Pueblo, Colorado
 4. **AMERICAN-CROATIAN WAUKEGAN JUNIOR TAMBURITZANS**, Waukegan, Illinois
 5. **HAPPY HEARTS JUNIOR TAMBURITZANS**, Youngstown, Ohio
 6. **AMERICAN ZAGREB JUNIOR TAMBURITZANS**, Cleveland, Ohio
- GRAND FINALE** – Music Directors, Choreographers and Assistant Directors of participating ensembles perform under the direction of Guest Conductor John Pruzin.
- Croatian Medley** – Arranged by Dave Nanista

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