

2012 Athletic Crossroads



Connecting the Worlds Through Sports

The Chicago NATO Host Committee in partnership with World Sport Chicago, the City of Chicago, the University of Chicago, the Chicago Bulls & the Chicago Fire are proud to host the Athletic Crossroads series of events on Saturday, May 12, in recognition of the 25th North Atlantic Treaty Organization Summit hosted by President Barack Obama in Chicago from May 20-21. Events will take place at the University of Chicago's Crown Field House, as well as in neighboring Washington Park in celebration of Chicago's diversity, its international role and a love of sport that connects cultures.

The Athletic Crossroads Sports and Cultural Festival partners, with the coordination and support of the Illinois Youth Soccer Association, Girls in the Game, Urban Initiatives and the Chicago Park District will provide an opportunity for participants to play under the name of a country participating in the Summit and to learn about that country's culture and people. The teams in basketball and soccer will be made up of children ages 11 to 13 from across Chicago and the Chicagoland area. This event is open to the public and spectators will be able to join participants in all-ages sports clinics taking place throughout the day. Attendees, along with participants, will be able to enjoy the International Festival and join in arts and cultural activities representing over four dozen countries.

General Information

Date/Time | Saturday, May 12th 8:00am to 4:00pm

Location | Washington Park, take 51st St. to Cottage Grove Ave.

Admission | This event is free for all participants and spectators

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About the NATO Summit

The North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) was founded in 1949 and currently consists of 28 countries, including the United States. This year, Chicago will host the 25th official Summit held May 20 - 21. For more information on this year's NATO Summit, visit www.chicagonato.org



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Get Involved!

Registration Eligibility:

- Registration is open to coaches for both boys and girls teams with participants ages 11-13.
- Coaches can register one boys team and one girls team for each sport.
- Priority will be given to residents from the City of Chicago.
- Space is limited. Submission of an application does not guarantee participation.
- Teams selected will be notified as soon as possible, but no later than May 4, 2012.
- No applications will be taken after May 1, 2012.

How to Register:

Coaches or Team Leaders can register their team by filling out the forms at
www.worldsportchicago.org/athletic-crossroads.aspx

Participant Consent:

Each individual participant must complete and submit a consent form in order to compete in the Athletic Crossroads events. Upon selection of your team, participant consent forms will be sent to the team's Coach.

Volunteers:

Sign-up NOW to volunteer for this unique event! Learn more at www.worldsportchicago.org/athletic-crossroads.aspx

Partners:



City of Chicago
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