The code theme of the Eritrean Festival Holland

In the Netherlands, every year several Festivals of Dutch people and other nationals took place in different cities, especially during the summer time. **The Kwaku Festival of Suriname people, Thailand Grand Festival, Viva Brazil Festival and Milkshake Festival of Dutch people are a few examples to mention.** All these Festival have one thing in common which is the celebration of their culture. **This celebration packs tones of each culture and music into a series of performances at locations across the Netherlands.** And the Eritrean Festival Holland is one of them that took place during this time every year here in the Netherlands.

The Eritrean community in the Netherlands will be holding their annual event **“10th Eritrean Festival Holland” during 19-21 July 2013 at Event Plaza, Rijswijk, the Netherlands**. On this occasion , every citizen of the world is invited to join and enjoy the Eritrean Festival Holland.

Now entering its 10th edition, the Eritrean Festival is a traditional multicultural gathering focused on bringing people and cultures together for a vibrant combination of food, drink, dance and sport. And also it is a way of promoting our culture for Dutch people and other nationals. Eritrea has nine ethnic people that makes rich in culture wise. The peace loving members of the Eritrean communities in the Netherlands are very proud to introduce their culture through their annual Festival every year.

Another key part of the festival's program is the sport competitions which allows to participate football teams from numerous groups (and of numerous ages) compete throughout the festival in order to get their hands on the trophy.

This highly successful festival is expected to attract over 5,000 visitors from the Netherlands and abroad (Eritreans and friends of Eritrea living mainly in Germany and Belgium). Alongside the regular programs, the Eritrean festival traditionally provides a stage for children a play back show and for young talented musicians, giving them every opportunity to take the next step in their musical careers and to learn more to their culture of origin.

As far as the Eritrean Festival Holland is concerned, it is a festival that stands for all walks of life, and specially it is a kids friendly event. The festival does not define itself as art, theater or music, but as a combination of them all; cross-fertilization between all disciplines. It is also a very highly disciplined and safe annual event.

There's as much for the eyes as there is for the ears at Eritrean Festival, as the festival changes its motto theme each year. This year's motto is about peace loving Eritreans living in the Netherlands that holds a Grande Annual Event **with a clear message, it's about respect, freedom, love and tolerance as well as encouraging out of the youngsters to learn more through respecting to other cultures.**

**Everyone is welcome to participate and enjoy the peaceful, beautiful and colorful Eritrean Festival Holland of 2013.**

**The Eritrean community in the Netherlands**

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