## Festival Eritrea 2013, Washington, DC Simply Spectacular!!!

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Festival Eritrea 2013 Washington, DC opened with zeal and renewed fervor on Friday August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2013 at the Sheraton Hotel in Arlington. The ceremony opened by this year's guest of Honor H.E. Tesfamichael Gerahtu, Eritrean Ambassador to the U.K. accompanied by Mr. Berhane G. Solomon, Charge d' Affaires, Embassy of Eritrea, Washington, DC, and H.E. Araya Desta, Permanent Representative of Eritrea to the U.N., led by Eritrean community organizations.



The entertainment continued throughout the weekend with Salina band as well as local Eritrean musicians including K-Boyz performing traditional Kunama songs and dances and EriAm Sisters where the thousands of attendees danced and cheered this unprecedented number of talented entertainers.

The three-day festivities continued on Saturday with many activities including sports, Seminars, traditional shows, artistic, cultural and historical exhibitions as well as the spirit of entrepreneurship with many vendors selling creative and reflective themes of our rich history and culture.

Major parts of the festival included a briefing by Ambassador Tesfamichael on current affairs of Eritrea and discussion sessions with community organizations.



The attendees raised different questions regarding national, regional and global issues, and expressed their readiness to continue their unfaltering support of the government and people of Eritrea.

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