

**Asia Pacific Festival**  
**Friendship Force of Oregon's Mid-Willamette Valley, USA**  
**June 4 - 8, 2009**

**Feature:** Grand Floral Parade and Rose Gardens  
**Venue:** Salem, Oregon, USA  
**Hotel:** Red Lion Hotel, 3301 Market ST NE, Salem OR 97301, USA  
Tel: (503) 370-7835  
[www.redlion.com/salem](http://www.redlion.com/salem)  
**Post Homestay:** June 8 - 11, 2009 at FF Columbia Cascade, FF Southern Oregon,  
FF Lower Columbia, FF Olympia club, FF Seattle Tacoma and FF  
Whidbey Island club

**Maximum Number  
of Ambassadors:** 90

**Festival only fee:** \$750USD - Includes: 4 nights hotel stay (double occupancy); all tours and meals

The venue of the Asia Pacific Festival, Salem, is the capital city of the state of Oregon.

**Tentative Schedule**

**Thursday, June 4, 2009**

Arrival	FF Columbia Cascade members greet Ambassadors in the baggage claim area of Portland International Airport and assist with location of shuttle to the hotel.
3:00 PM	Festival Registration and hotel check in; guests arriving prior to 3PM will be accommodated as soon as rooms become available
Evening	Welcome dinner with Moonfall Theatre performers at the Red Lion Hotel Salem
	Overnight at the Red Lion Hotel Salem

**Friday, June 5, 2009**

7:00-9:00AM Breakfast in the hotel

Tour 1:  
Tour of Capitol  
Ride on Carousel and visit Riverfront Park  
Wine-tasting at the Honeywood Winery  
Tour of the Oregon Garden [www.oregongarden.org](http://www.oregongarden.org)  
Bus tour of Silverton murals

**The Oregon State Capitol** is the building that houses the state legislature and the offices of the governor, secretary of state, and treasurer of the US state of Oregon. Located in the state capital city of Salem, the current building was constructed from 1936 to 1938, and expanded in 1977. Two former capitol buildings were destroyed by fire, one in 1855 and the other in 1935.

Tour 2:  
Tour of State Capitol  
Tour of Hallie Ford Museum of Art  
[www.willamette.edu/museum\\_of\\_art/index.htm](http://www.willamette.edu/museum_of_art/index.htm)  
Ride on Carousel and visit Riverfront Park

Tour Bush House Museum and Garden, visit Bush Barn Art Center Gallery  
[www.oregonlink.com/bush\\_house/](http://www.oregonlink.com/bush_house/)  
Wine-tasting and appetizers at the Red Hawk Winery

Evening      Dinner at the Almost Home Restaurant and Steak House across the street from  
the Red Lion Hotel: Garden Room  
Overnight at the Red Lion Hotel Salem

**The Hallie Ford Museum of Art** is the museum of Willamette University in Salem, Oregon, United States. It is the third largest art museum in Oregon. Opened in 1998, the facility is across the street from the Oregon State Capital in downtown Salem, on the western edge of the school campus. Hallie Ford exhibits collections of both art and historical artifacts with a focus on Oregon related pieces of art and artists. The museum also hosts various traveling exhibits in two of its six galleries.

### **Saturday, June 6, 2009**

7:00AM      Depart on bus  
Breakfast in the Memorial Coliseum  
View the Portland Grand Floral Parade in the coliseum  
Box lunch on board buses

The first Rose Festival occurred in 1907. The **Grand Floral Parade** is the centerpiece of the festival and the second largest all-floral parade in the United States. More than 500,000 spectators line the route, making it the largest spectator event in Oregon.

Tour 1:  
View the Columbia River from Crown Point  
See historic Multnomah Falls [www.multnomahfalls lodge.com](http://www.multnomahfalls lodge.com)

**Multnomah Falls** is a waterfall on the Oregon side of the Columbia River Gorge along the Historic Columbia River Highway. The falls drops in two major steps, split into an upper falls of 542 feet (165 m) and a lower falls of 69 feet (21 m), with a gradual 9 foot (3 m) drop in elevation between the two, so the total height of the waterfall is conventionally given as 620 feet (189 m). Multnomah Falls is the tallest waterfall in the State of Oregon.

Tour 2:  
  
Stroll the International Rose Test Garden, Washington Park  
Learn about the world's forests and trees at the World Forestry  
Center [www.worldforestry.org](http://www.worldforestry.org)

**The International Rose Test Garden** is a rose garden in Washington Park in Portland, Oregon. There are over 7,000 rose plants of approximately 550 varieties. The roses bloom from April through October with the peak coming in June, depending on the weather. New rose cultivars are continually sent to the garden from many parts of the world and are tested for color, fragrance, disease resistance and other attributes. It is the oldest continuously operating public rose test garden in the United States and exemplifies Portland's nickname of the *City of Roses*.

Evening      Dinner at McMenamins Edgefield including tour and gift shop  
Bus back to hotel  
Overnight at the Red Lion Hotel Salem

## Sunday, June 7, 2009

7:00-9:00AM Breakfast in the hotel

### Tour 1:

Explore Evergreen Aviation & Space Museum and taste their wines

[www.sprucegoose.org](http://www.sprucegoose.org)

Walk through Heirloom Roses' gardens

Admire the myriad blooms to be seen at Schreiner's Iris Garden

Enjoy wine-tasting and appetizers at the Red Hawk Winery

Visit these iris display gardens and be amazed at the spectacle of colors you will see. There is also an indoor cut flower display, as well as a gift shop on site. **Schreiner's Iris Garden** has been breeding and growing the finest iris in the world for more than 70 years. Schreiner's is the nation's largest retail grower of iris. Each spring, hundreds of acres of iris bloom, and people from around the world come to marvel at the beauty. Ten acres of viewing gardens are open to the public.

### Tour 2:

Walk through a northwest temperate rain forest. Take a guided tour of The Thyme Garden Herb Company's extensive nursery and gardens, followed by lunch there

On the way back, stop for a tasting at the Springhill Cellars winery

[www.springhillcellars.com](http://www.springhillcellars.com)

**The Thyme Garden Herb Company** is an earth-friendly family business that provides organically grown herb seeds and herb plants, along with bulk dried herbs, herb teas, and herb seasonings. Organically grown creeping thyme, Corsican mint and mixed creeping thyme make wonderful herbal ground covers that spill over rocks and grow between pavers in walkways. You will have the opportunity to view over 700 varieties of useful herb plants from all around the world.

Evening Farewell Dinner with the "Fairer Sax" at the Red Lion Hotel Salem  
Overnight at the Red Lion Hotel Salem

## Monday, June 8, 2009

Breakfast on your own. Suggestions include the Red Lion Hotel Salem and the Almost Home Restaurant and Steak House across the street from the Red Lion Hotel Salem

Hotel checkout time

For those participating in post festival hosting, transportation will depend upon which club is your destination. Some ambassadors may be met by their hosts. Others will need to take a train. Still others may be picked up on a bus. You will receive this information once you are assigned your host club.

At the end of the home stay, Ambassadors may arrange with hosts the most convenient way to return to Portland International Airport or to go on to other destinations.

Descriptions courtesy of [www.wikipedia.org](http://www.wikipedia.org), [www.schreinersgardens.com](http://www.schreinersgardens.com) and [www.thymegarden.com](http://www.thymegarden.com).