

Indianapolis Festival of Faiths 2017

The Indy Festival of Faiths is an annual gathering that takes place just north of and inside of the Veteran's Memorial Plaza in downtown Indianapolis, IN. The Center for Peace and Conflict Studies is a co-sponsor of the Festival. It is designed to recognize, highlight, and celebrate the diverse religious landscape in central Indiana. A primary goal of the festival is to heighten awareness about the many religious congregations that coexist in our community and to provide an opportunity to share and learn about each other's traditions in a very open and public setting. The festival began in the fall of 2013 and has steadily grown each year.

The Festival of Faiths is hosted by the Center for Interfaith Cooperation (CIC), an organization found in 2011. Since its formation, the CIC has built up a large, robust and diverse network of partnerships with Central Indiana congregations, colleges and universities, and civic and community organizations. One of its most important assets in fulfilling this mission is CIC's diverse and active board, consisting of forty religious and community leaders.



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