

LOWELL FOLK FESTIVAL 2017

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Simone Thibodeau of Lowell, left, and her friend Paloma Lovera of Providence, R.I., both 4, dance at JFK Plaza.

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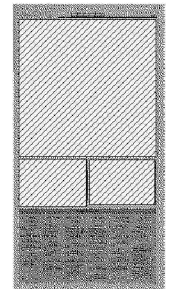
Linda Barbadoro of Stockbridge plays one of the bamboo walking stick flutes that she and her husband Nick, rear, have been making since 1974, at Art in the Courtyard.

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Emmanuelle LeBlanc of Vishten plays Acadian music at JFK Plaza.

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Cheryl Nunes of West Concord, a vegetable farmer whose spinoff business, Rutabaga Bodega, sells clothing items with vegetable puns on names of famous people, including "Rutabaga Ginsburg."

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Volunteers serve Southeast Asian food along Dutton Street.

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Vishten plays Acadian music at JFK Plaza on Saturday. From left, Emmanuelle LeBlanc, Pascal Miouss and Pastelle LeBlanc, Emmanuelle's twin sister.

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Kathy Horniak of Littleton swings her granddaughter Luna Lovera, 1 1/2, of Providence, R.I., at JFK Plaza.

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Donuts with dulce de leche are one of several sweets being sold by Fe-Alma, a Brazilian religious group from North Chelmsford, at the Lowell Folk Festival. The group's tent is located at the festival's location along Dutton Street.

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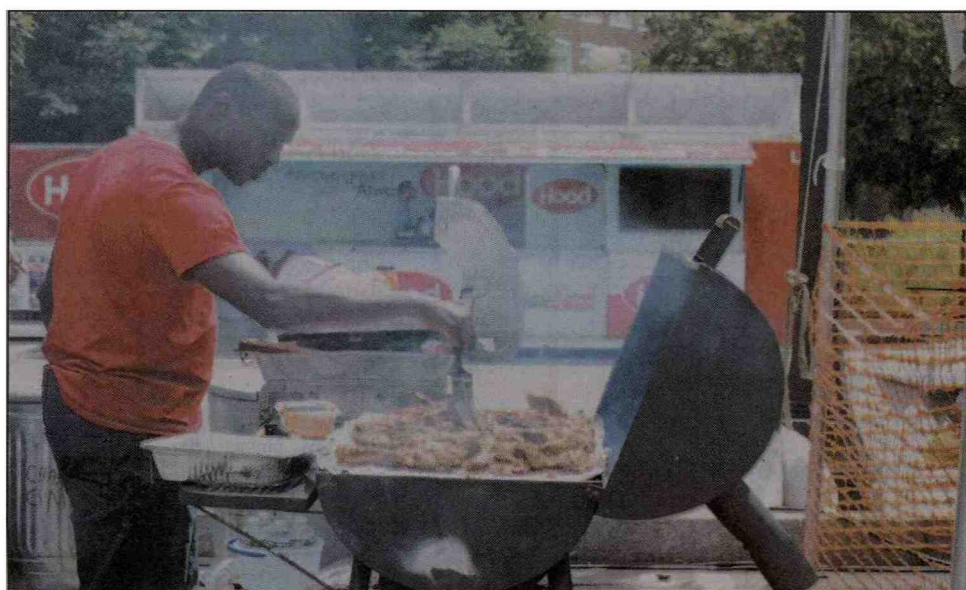
Paul Fedele of Lowell, who lives at Canal Place condos, carries his pug Yoda home to rest. He said Yoda loves meeting people at the Folk Festival, but "he's pooped out."

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Juliet Najjumba of Waltham, who grew up in Uganda, shows a soccer ball made of banana tree fiber, and a jumprope made from plastic trash bags, at her Ugandan Fiber Craft & Toys booth.

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Stephen Duo of Emmanuel Temple of Hope Ministries in Tyngsboro dresses ribs on Saturday at the church's tent near the Dutton Street stage.