

TAMEJAVI

Our Voices, Our Stories: A Path to Inclusion

FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS

# CHILDREN'S PLACE



Learning about  
cultural and artistic  
traditions allows  
Tamejavi  
participants to  
connect their past,  
present, and future.

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A “plaza” or cultural market – a place of meeting and exchange

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5<sup>TH</sup> TAMEJAVI FESTIVAL  
September 19, 2009  
Radio Park + Fresno Art Museum  
10:00 am – 8:30 pm  
FREE ADMISSION

For more information call  
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From 11:00a.m. - 4:00p.m.

## Bonner Education and Activity Center – Fresno Art Museum

The Fresno Art Museum will hold its monthly “Family Days” at the Bonner Education and Activity Center where children and parents will have the opportunity to play and learn together.

### Rangoli Lesson

Students will learn about Rangoli designs which are made with colored powders, usually made from rice flour, and are created using stencils or freehand. Rangoli designs are also seen at weddings, birthdays, and opening ceremonies among other events.

### African Masks Lesson

Students will create and learn more about African masks.

### Bark Paper Lesson

Students will explore the history of the Amate Bark Paintings of South America as well as the purpose, processes, and symbolism found in typical bark paintings.

### Tou Ger Xiong

Tou Ger will share and discuss traditional Hmong toys.

### Dorina Lazo

Dorina Lazo will be reading her new children’s book published by Shen’s Books, Cora Cooks Pancit, which is a peek into the kitchen of a Filipino family as Cora helps Mama cook her favorite Filipino noodle dish, pancit.

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## FESTIVAL 2009

## ACTIVITIES

- Artistic Presentations
- Cultural Kitchen
- Films Series
- Our Voices, Our Stories Circle
- Outdoor Marketplace
- Peace and Dignity Journey
- Pláticas
- Poetry Corner
- Tamejavi Gallery
- Theater

### We need Tamejavi because it...

- Offers a medium through which immigrants express themselves and voice their ideas.
- Builds new relationships and understanding among immigrants and long-standing residents in the Valley who share a commitment to fostering civic participation and who seek public recognition of community diversity.
- Opens a public space that enhances expressions of creativity to stimulate a sense of belonging and promote civic participation.

### What is Tamejavi?

Tamejavi is a space where diverse cultures converge to express and share stories, music, food, traditions, and ways of interpreting the world. Through cultural exchange and artistic expression, Central Valley immigrants participating in Tamejavi join voices and create new bonds, thus forming a solid sense of community and establishing foundations for active civic engagement.