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Despite Recent Shootings, So Fresh Saturdays Continues in Englewood
“We cannot allow violence to disturb the peaceful spaces we are creating this summer….”

Less than a month ago the Resident Association of Greater Englewood aka R.A.G.E. successfully kicked off the So Fresh Saturdays series at Sherwood Park and is continuing this “Englewood Park Tour” despite recent shootings in the neighborhood.

The next event is scheduled at Hamilton Park Cultural Center located at 513 West 72nd St. on Saturday, July 27th from 4pm-9pm. “With the success and positive feedback received at Sherwood Park, we cannot allow violence to disturb the peaceful spaces we are creating this summer”, says Carol Stewart, resident and member of R.A.G.E.

The So Fresh Saturdays series has proven to be a community driven approach that will continue to showcase local artists, art-based workshops and various activists who hope to recruit more community members to take action.

The line-up at Hamilton Park will featured an African Youth Dance Group, Move Me Soul, spoken word group, L.Y.R.I.C in addition to Truth n’ Trauma (TNT) which is a project aims to prevent and reduce violence in neighborhoods. Although, there have been numerous shootings in Chicago, So Fresh Saturdays will be filled with peace circles, food, music, dance and community resources, in the heart of a neighborhood most deemed as a war zone.

R.A.G.E. is enthusiastic about staging these peaceful events throughout the Greater Englewood community. You can see photos from the last event at Sherwood Park by clicking here.

The remaining Englewood Park Tour dates are:

Hamilton Park - 513 W. 72nd - Sat. July 27, 2013; 4pm – 9pm
Lindblom Park - 6054 S. Damen Ave. - Sat. August 10, 2013; 4pm – 9pm
Back to School Finale at Ogden Park - 6500 S. Racine - Sat. August 24, 2013; 4pm – 9pm

These events are free and open to the public. For more info contact R.A.G.E. at 866-845-1032 or email joinrage@gmail.com.

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