

Silk Road Festival Kicks off in Texas, Oct. 4-7

STAFFORD, Texas/ Sept. 5, 2012/ -- The Turquoise Council of Americans and Eurasians (TCAE) has announced the First Silk Road Festival, which will run from October 4 to 7, 2012 and bring together the exotic cultures along the historic trade route in Eurasia.

The six participating countries, Azerbaijan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Turkey, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan, will be on display on a massive scale at the festival grounds in Stafford, south of Houston. The mission of the festival is to introduce visitors to the ethnic, cultural and historic bonds shared by these countries.

"This is the only event of its kind in the US," said Kemal Oksuz, President of TCAE. "We want Americans to have the opportunity to discover and enjoy Turkic hospitality, culture, heritage, arts and cuisine."

The festival will house life-size sets of each country, as well as dozens of stands selling regional foods and crafts. There will also be live concerts and dance performances at multiple stages around the festival and many other attractions for visitors of all ages.

The concept was developed following the success of the Houston "Turkic Cultures and Children's Festival," which began in 2006 and has become a popular family event in the region.

Tickets for the festival can be purchased from the Silk Road Festival website at www.silkroadfestival.org or at the festival.

One-Day Admission Prices:

Adults: \$10.00
Kids (Ages 7 - 12): \$6.00
Kids (Under 6): FREE
Seniors (Ages 60 and older): \$9.00
Military Personnel: \$9.00

Multiple-Day Admission Prices:

Adults: \$15.00
Kids (Ages 7 - 12): \$9.00
Kids (Under 6): FREE
Seniors (Ages 60 and older): \$13.00

For more information about the festival visit www.silkroadfestival.org email at

silkroadfest@silkroadfest.com.

About the Sponsor

The Turquoise Council of Americans and Eurasians (TCAE) is an independent umbrella organization committed to advancing interaction among American, Turkish, Turkic and Eurasian people. Their mission is to foster educational, academic and business relationships within these communities by organizing events and activities within the United States. TCAE has hosted task forces, executive forums, luncheons, conferences, studies and seminars bringing together diverse communities, regardless of their ethnicity or religion. For more information visit www.turquoisecouncil.org.

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