

Appellation « CIOFF® FESTIVAL »



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A festival of CIOFF® is one of the means of safeguarding, promoting and diffusing traditional culture, mainly through such genres of expressions as music, dance, song, games, customs, know-how of handicraft and regional cooking. To be a significant contribution to the preservation and enhancement of identity and cultural diversity, a folk art festival has to be implemented in an appropriate [cultural context](#).

All international folk art festivals of CIOFF® Switzerland have the appellation [CIOFF® Festival](#). They obtained this international distinction thanks to the quality of organization and the high artistic standard of their event. In addition they signed a [national Charter](#) of commitment based on the [CIOFF® Cultural Policy](#). – But CIOFF®-Switzerland follows also the aim to support national and regional Festivals working for the safeguard and diffusion of traditional culture.

Each year about 250 international folk art festivals are realized under the patronage of [CIOFF®](#). With their program the participants will give to the other participating artists as well as to a larger part of the population an insight in folk traditions of their country, and they will strive for an understanding of the cultural heritage and traditions of other people.

Links :

Cultural context : http://www.cioff.org/doc.cfm/en/11/Cultural_context_of_a_CIOFF_Festival.pdf
Festivals CIOFF : <http://www.cioff.org/festivals-intro.cfm?lng=en>
Charte nationale : http://www.cioff.ch/doc_fr/Charte_7204.pdf
Politique culturelle : http://www.cioff.org/doc.cfm/fr/1/CIOFF%C2%AE_Cultural_Policy.pdf
CIOFF : <http://www.cioff.org/events-festivals.cfm?lng=en>