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## Monday June 15<sup>th</sup>, 2009 Performance Schedule

### **11:45AM – Cirque Shanghai: Bright Spirit**

(<http://www.navy pier.com/cirqueshanghai/index.html>)

Cirque Shanghai returns to the Pepsi® Skyline Stage® on Navy Pier with an all-new acrobatic spectacle, Bright Spirit, now through September 7. Featuring exotic acts as the “Roman Wheel,” “Diablo,” the “Spanish Web” and the “Russian Barre,” this showcase of strength, agility and grace is meticulously choreographed to a musical score and performed with ingenious stagecraft, for a full-scale theatrical experience. Full of energy, color, raw power and fluid beauty, Cirque Shanghai Bright Spirit appears only at Chicago’s Navy Pier for this limited summer engagement.

### **12:15PM – Chicago Sister Cities International Festival on Daley Plaza Opening Ceremony**

### **12:30PM – Scotiabank Caribana 2009 Toronto**

(<http://www.caribanafestival.com>)

The Scotiabank Caribana™ Festival is an exciting two-week cultural explosion of Caribbean music, cuisine, revelry as well as visual and performing arts. Carnival is an international cultural phenomenon, so the great metropolis of Toronto and its environs will come alive as the city explodes with the pulsating rhythms and melodies of Calypso, Soca, Reggae, Hip Hop, Chutney, Steel Pan and Brass Bands. This colorful exhibition and display of genius is truly a musical panorama that is certain to bring a delightful smile to the ancestral titans of Steel Pan and Calypso music.

### **1:00PM – ELLAS Dancers of Chicago**

(<http://www.ellasdance.com/>) [photo]

The Ellas Dancers of Chicago was established in 2009. Our purpose is to continue the Hellenic traditions and dances that have been passed down from generation to generation. The troupe performs dances from mainland Greece, the Greek Islands, Asia Minor, Pontos, and Cyprus. Our aim is to educate dancers on the history behind the dances as well as the history of the costumes and their meanings in relation to Greek culture.