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PHOTO OPPORTUNITY

Mongolian Community to Dedicate Tulga

Highly anticipated sculpture dedication ceremony includes Ambassador of Mongolia

Who: Denver's Sister Cities International along with Denver's Office on Cultural Affairs and Denver Parks and Recreation.

What: An official art dedication celebration of a Tulga Sculpture, generously donated from the Mongolian Community Association of Colorado to the Lowry community and the City and County of Denver. The highly anticipated dedication of the Denver based Tulga will be accompanied by a special appearance by the **Mongolian Ambassador** and other noted dignitaries in the Mongolian community.

The Tulga sculpture represents a fireplace and is the most esteemed piece of Mongolian nomad household. Living the Nomadic was of life was typical of the Mongolian ancestors; herding sheep, goats, cows, camels and horses. The Tulga represented the spirit of where they laid their heads down to rest. The four legs represented the 4 directions and the 3 rings represented the sun, moon and stars. The top of the four legs are sculpted to imitate a bird's head; legend say birds protect fire. And the base of the Tulga represents infinity and eternal bliss.

When: **Sunday, May 24, 2009 at 11:00 a.m.**

Where: Ulaanbaatar Park is located in the Lowry community at East 5th Avenue and Roslyn Street.

Why: Tulga sculpture is the final phase in the City of Ulaanbaatar Park.

Visuals: Hundreds of people from the Mongolian and Lowry communities enjoying folk singing and dancing, contortionists, traditional wrestling, fashion show and much, much more.

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