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CHICAGO VEGANMANIA TOUCHES DOWN OCTOBER 10  
Free vegan festival has something for everyone.

EarthSave Chicago presents Chicago VeganMania, a day-long celebration of Chicago's vegan community, culture, commerce, cuisine and couture. The event is an opportunity to sample vegan food from ten different restaurants and food companies. There will also be dozens of companies, craftspeople, and nonprofits showing their wares, several live bands and dancers, DJs, an art show, an exhibit of the latest vegan fashion, a children's crafts area, and speakers (including Dr. Michael Greger of The Humane Society of the United States and Nathan Runkle, founder of Chicago's Mercy For Animals). All are welcome, vegans and omnivores alike.

Chicago VeganMania, arrives October 10, 2009 at the Pulaski Park fieldhouse near Wicker Park, 1419 W. Blackhawk, from 10:00 until 4:00 p.m. This is a free event with cruelty-free swag bags for the first one hundred in line (age 16 and older) and five free tickets for vegan food samples to everyone.

Vegans avoid eating, wearing, or using products that cause suffering or exploitation of animals.

"We feel that there's been no better time for Chicago to really show off its amazing vegan community," says John Beske, chairperson of Chicago VeganMania. "This is really such a dynamic and diverse group of individuals, businesses and organizations.

"We're excited to prove to the world that Chicago's reputation as Hog Butcher To The World no longer accurately describes our progressive and compassionate city."