



OSSM hosts popular International Night

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When my sister attended OSSM, my favorite event of the year was always International Night.

Coming from a very Eurocentric hometown and community, I often felt underrepresented and out of place amongst my classmates. International Night was this beautiful celebration of many different cultures and backgrounds, and I knew when I came to OSSM, I really wanted to be part of that celebration.

Even though COVID-19 changed some things about the event, we



Dancers perform during OSSM's International Night.

were all really determined to make it as fun as usual. Because of pandemic restrictions, parents were unfortunately not allowed to come into the Great Hall to eat, but that just meant that students had more of a chance to make food.

I was able to help my friends make pork dumplings for the first time in my life, and it was so fun to learn a new skill as well as learn

about their culture.

I also performed at International Night. I'm not a professional or competitive dancer by any definition of the word, but when I was approached to participate in a big Bollywood dance, I knew I wanted to do it. Even though I knew I might not be good at dancing and I might be embarrassed, I knew I would always cherish the memories of

dancing, and I honestly really enjoyed it.

We danced to the song "Nachange Saari Raat" from the Indian movie "Jooniyat" and had a great time with my friends.

Overall, I had such a blast and I'm so glad that we still got to put together an International Night this year, and I can't wait until next year when we can do it again!