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Hadi Susilo Arifin-Deddy with his best friends - family of Edward Panjaitan & Niken Widyastuti have visited a family of Hansye Dulimarta & Liana Dulimarta in Grand Rapids city last January 7-8, 2011. In the second day they have traveled to Holland, in order to see the Ice Sculpture Exhibition in the down town, then enjoyed a sunset landscape in the beach of Lake Michigan.

Grand Rapids is a city in the U.S. state of Michigan. The city is located on the Grand River about 40 miles east of Lake Michigan. As of the 2000 census the city population was 197,800, making it the 114th largest city in the United States. In 2009, the Grand Rapids metropolitan area had a population of 778,009 and a Combined Statistical Area Grand Rapids-Muskegon-Holland, population of 1,327,336. It is the county seat of Kent County, Michigan, the second largest city in Michigan (after Detroit), and the largest city in West Michigan. The major industry in Grand Rapids once having been furniture production, it is nicknamed the “Furniture City”. However, the city and surrounding communities are more economically diverse today, and contribute heavily to the health care, automotive and consumer goods manufacturing industries, among others.

“Grand Rapids” redirects here. For other uses, see Grand Rapids (disambiguation).
Holland is a city in the western region of the Lower Peninsula of the U.S. state of Michigan. It is situated near the eastern shore of Lake Michigan on Lake Macatawa which is fed by the Macatawa River (also known locally as the Black River).

The city spans the Ottawa/Allegan county line, with 9.08 square miles (23.52 km²) in Ottawa and the remaining 8.13 square miles (21.06 km²) in Allegan. As of the 2000 census, the population was 35,048 [3] with the 2008 census estimate placing the population at 34,076 [4] with an Urbanized Area population of 95,394. [5]

The city is the largest municipality of the Holland-Grand Haven Metropolitan Statistical Area and the seventh largest metro in the state of Michigan, which has an estimated population of 260,364 as of July 1, 2008. [6]

Holland was founded by Dutch Americans and is in an area that has a large percentage of citizens of Dutch American heritage who live in communities with such Dutch names as Harlem, Zeeland, Vriesland, Drenthe, Groningen and Graafschap.

It is home to Hope College and Western Theological Seminary, institutions of the Reformed Church in America.
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