

THE NATIONAL CALENDAR OF EVENTS



The V International Theatre Festival of Chamber and Solo Performances «LUDI»

2014-04-01 — 2014-04-07

Arts festivals
Region: Orel region

City: Orel

Venue: BUKOO "Orel State theatre for children and youth "Svobodnoye

prostranstvo (The free space)" **Phone:** (4862) 44 25 52 **Webpage:** www.teatr.orel.ru

Solo and chamber performances (with a number of artists not more than 4 people) participate in the festival. Geographically the festival covers the theater space of Russian Federation and foreign countries. The festival aims to strengthen the interest of audience (especially, youth and teens) to modern theater art, expand cultural space, provide audience with an opportunity to discover modern European theatre and theatres form the CIS countries.



XVI Interregional Exhibition "Tourism. Sports. Leisure. Resort houses"

2014-04-01 — 2014-04-03

Exhibitions and forums

Region: Republic of Bashkortostan

City: Ufa

Phone: (347) 218 08 25

Webpage: www.tourism.bashkortostan.ru

The Interregional Exhibition-Fair of tourism and travel, sports equipment and goods for leisure and entertainment as well as fair of sanatorium and resorts vouchers "Tourism. Sports. Leisure. Resort houses" is the exhibition event at interregional level aimed at the development of domestic tourism in the Republic of Bashkortostan and Russian Federation.

The exhibition is held twice a year. The exhibition incorporates the presentation of innovative and existing services and products in the field of tourism, sports, leisure and recreation.



The Ballet Festival in Honour of Galina Ulanova

2014-04-03 — 2014-04-11

Arts festivals

Region: Mari El Republic **City:** Yoshkar-Ola

Venue: Mari State opera and ballet theatre named after E. Sapayev

Phone: (8362) 56 60 70

Webpage: www.operaballet.net mincult12.ru

The International festival of choreographic art in honour of the famous Russian ballerina is held since 2002. In various years the event was attended by the ballet stars of Mariynsky theatre, Bolshoi theatre as well as the leading theaters of Spain, South Korea, Japan and other countries.



The Inter-regional Tourism Forum "The Great Ural", the International Tourism Exhibition "The Summer 2014"

2014-04-04 — 2014-04-05

Exhibitions and forums Region: Sverdlovsk region **City:** Ekaterinburg

Phone: (343) 377 65 30

Webpage: www.uralinfotour.ru

The events are aimed at the development of domestic tourism in the Urals, discussion of key issues, creation of the single brand «The Great Ural» that would unite the efforts of Ural regions to promote tourism products and develop inter-regional and international relations.

The forum programme features plenary sessions, meetings, round table discussions, seminars, familiarization and information trips.

The number of the forum participants in 2013 has amounted to 700 people, in 2014 the organizers expect some 1,000 people.

Almost 10 000 visitors have come to the exhibition each year.



The XIX Specialized Exhibition of Tourism and Sports KITS

2014-04-11 — 2014-04-12

Exhibitions and forums Region: Republic of Tatarstan

City: Kazan

Venue: The Exhibition Center "Kazanskaya Yarmarka"

Phone: (843) 570 51 17 Webpage: www.restexpo.ru

The exhibition is dedicated to such popular life activities as tourism and sports. The event represents an interactive site for dialogue between professionals of the hospitality industry, tourism and sports.

The exhibition consists of two sections - "The Sports Industry" and "The Tourism Industry".

For those who dream to work in tourism, at the exhibition the job fair is organized.

In 2013 in the exhibition 191 companies from 40 cities of Russia as well representations of companies from Turkey and Kazakhstan have participated.



The open tournament of the winter sport fishing "Baikal Fishing"

2014-04-11 — 2014-04-12

Sport events

Region: Republic of Buryatia

Venue: The lake Baikal, Prybaikal district, the village of Turka, special economic zone of tourist and recreational type "Baikal harbour" **Phone:** (3012) 65 36 80, (3012) 21 44 68, (3012) 21 21 89

Webpage: www.bursport.ru www.megatitan.ru

The year2014 is the anniversary year for "Baikal Fishing" – the tournament is held for the 10th time. The purpose of the competition with international participation is to promote and develop the event tourism and sports fishing. The fishing is made by a rod. For the audience the entertainment programme is prepared: the spectators participate in competitions of tug of war, for the best armwrestler of fishing and contest among fish connoisseurs. The unique creation of nature the lake Baikal is listed among World Culture and Nature Heritage sites of UNESCO, it is often referr! Lake Baikal is home to over 2500 species of animals and plants, the most of them are relics and endemics.



The Area Celebration of Indigenous Small-numbered People of the North of Khanty-Mansy Autonomous District - Ugra "The Day of Crow"

2014-04-12

The folk celebrations

Region: Khanty-Mansy autonomous region

City: Khanty-Mansiysk **Venue:** The Central square **Phone:** (3467) 32 15 57

Webpage: www.depcultura.admhmao.ru

At the celebration the families that had newborns during the year are praised.

In time of celebration the guests can learn about the culture of Ob Ugric people, with their customs, traditions. One may buy national souvenirs and taste national dishes.

Traditionally, outdoor games and competitions in traditional sports, various contests are organized for children.



The Day of Herring

2014-04-12

Other festivals and celebrations

Region: Kaliningrad region

City: Kaliningrad

Venue: The quay of Peter the Great, The World Ocean Museum **Phone:** (4012) 34 02 44, (4012) 55 52 00, (4012) 53 17 44, (4012) 53

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Webpage: www.world-ocean.ru www.visit-kaliningrad.ru

The World Ocean Museum celebrates its birthday and invites to the Day of Herring!

The scientific and research vessel (SRV) "Vityazy", by which the museum was started, also marks its 75-th anniversary: on April 12, 1990, the decree was signed on the establishment of the first and to the date the only integrated maritime museum in Russia.

In 24 years the museum has come a long way: in Kaliningrad the Quay of historical fleet has appeared as well as new museum buildings, unique expositions, interesting exhibitions and ... the favorite holidays, including the people holiday "The Day of Herring."



The XXIX International Festival "Jazz by the Old Fortress" Named After A. Berestov

2014-04-16 — 2014-04-18

Arts festivals

Region: Kemerovo region **City:** Novokuznetsk

Venue: The Governor's "Jazz Club "Helikon"

Phone: (3843) 45 92 80

Webpage: helicon-kuzbass.ru www.depcult.ru

For 29 years the festival attracts the stars of Russian and foreign jazz from the United States, Japan, Germany, France, Switzerland, Brazil, Italy, Estonia, Ukraine, Latvia, Sweden, Chile, Netherlands, Spain, Czech Republic, Poland and many other countries.

At the grand three-day long celebration jazz skills are presented in all their versatility.

The festival guests can get familiar with the historical heritage of the city that marks its 395-th anniversary by visiting the monument of federal importance – the historical and architectural museum "Kuznetsk fortress".



The Festival of Tulips

2014-04-18 — 2014-04-20

Other festivals and celebrations Region: Republic of Kalmykia

Venue: The city of Elista, Priyutnensky area

Webpage: minmolrk.ru

The tulip is one of the brands of Kalmykia. The festival is held against the background of natural landscapes of Kalmyk steppe where large fields of Gesner tulips are preserved, those tulips are predecessors of most of the tulips cultivated today.

In time of the festival the roundtable discussion on "The prospects of the development of eco-tourism in the region" is planned as well as the caravan expedition "The Great Silk Road: the dialogue of East and West", folk celebration, photo-tours, outdoors master classes, eco-tours, bird-watching tours. The activities aimed at tourists' familiarization with Buddhism and national traditions are scheduled, too. Kalmykia is the only Buddhist region in Europe with the unique national culture.



Grand Easter Festival of Arts of Arkhangelsk region

2014-04-20 — 2014-04-27

Other festivals and celebrations
Region: Arkhangelsk region

City: Arkhangelsk Phone: 8 950 661 99 90 Webpage: www.culture29.ru

Grand Easter Festival of Arts of Arkhangelsk region is organized in Arkhangelsk on the blessing of Arkhangelsk and Kholmogorsk Metropolitan Daniel and dedicated to the holy day of Christ's Resurrection.

The participation of professional choirs of Russian and international level is the highlight of the programme.



The International Investment Forum and Exhibition of tourism infrastructure TOURISTICA

2014-04-23 — 2014-04-26

Exhibitions and forums
Region: Stavropol region
City: Mineralny Vody
Venue: MinvodyEXPO
Phone: (495) 981 50 00
Webpage: www.touristika.org

The resorts of the Northern Caucasus, including Caucasian Mineral Waters, represent one of the priority areas for tourism development in Russia.

The unique potential of the nature of Northern Caucasus regions in conjunction with the development of modern tourist facilities makes the region an ideal platform for the introduction of new standards of tourist infrastructure. Industry professionals from around the world at TOURISTICA forum will discuss global trends in the management of tourism facilities and supply of required services, goods and equipment for them at all stages: from attraction of investments, design and construction to ongoing support and search for personnel.

Within the framework of the International Investment Forum and Exhibition of tourism infrastructure TOURISTICA the IV-th Forum of Industrial Design – Global Industrial Design – will bring together professionals in the field of industrial design and architecture in order to draw attention to the role of design in creating competitive world-class tourism industry. Communication business platform Global Investment Lounge and activities of professional orientation project INDUSTRY 4U are on agenda, too.

The traditional resort forum Caucasian Health Resort will be held within the framework of TOURISTICA forum on April 23-25, 2014.

New multi-purpose exhibition center MinvodyEXPO that will host the forum is located by the federal highway "Kavkaz" in 2.5 km from the international airport of Mineralny Vody and 6 km from the city center.



The Annual International Festival of Multimedia Art "Multimatograf"

2014-04-25 — 2014-04-27

Arts festivals

Region: Vologda region

City: Vologda

Venue: The exhibition complex "Russian House"

Phone: 921 234 72 70, 911 506 49 26 **Webpage:** www.multimatograf.ru

"Multimatograf" is the festival of works of the specific format: short films. The short films are the terrain of students, newcomers and experimenters. "Multimatograf" is a kind of barometer that defines all that new that is emerging right now and what will be relevant in a few years. The contest is held in six categories:

- Documentary Short Film
- Feature Short Film
- Cartoon
- Video art
- Clip video
- "Nonsence"



The Military and Historical Reconstruction "Vyborg, April 1918"

2014-04-26

Historical reconstructions

Region: Leningrad region

City: Vyborg

Venue: The city of Vyborg, Battareynaya Gora **Phone:** (81378) 20 110, (81378) 27 604 **Webpage:** museum-lenin.vbgcity.ru

The military and historical reconstruction of the events of the Civil War in Finland that split the country in two in 1918. The last fights and the most tragic events of the war took place in late April – early May in Vyborg, including the territory of Kolikkoynmyaki /Patterinmäki (now – *Battareynaya Gora*, Battery Hill).

The event is organized by the military and historical clubs of St. Petersburg and the municipal autonomous institution of culture "Historical and cultural museum center of the city of Vyborg".



All-Russia Competitions in Fencing "Oka Blades"

2014-04-27 — 2014-05-01

Sport events

Region: Nizhny Novgorod region

City: Dzerzhinsk

Webpage: rusfencing.ru

All-Russia tournament "Oka Blades" to the memory of Olympic champions from Nizhny Novgorod German Sveshnikov and Ludmila Shishova for the prizes of the Center for fencing development of Volga Federal District is comparable by its geographical representation and the number of participants to the Championship of Russia.

The difference is only in the age groups in which results are scored: girls and boys aged 12-14 and girls and boys aged 15-16.



All-Russia Boxing Memorial Tournament for the Prize of V. Popenchenko

2014-04-27

Sport events

Region: Magadan region

City: Magadan

Venue: The sports complex "Kolymsky"

Phone: (84132) 62 20 25

All-Russia memorial boxing tournament of "A" class for the prize of Olympic champion Valery Popenchenko (now – the championship of Far East) is one of the oldest tournaments held on the territory of Russia. The winner is awarded by challenge prize – an ancient ship replica that is kept in the museum of Magadan.

The 44-th tournament is dedicated to the 75-th anniversary of Magadan, the event is celebrated in Kolyma capital in mid-July.



All-Russia Nordic Ski Competitions for the Prizes of E. Vyalbe

2014-04-27

Sport events

Region: Magadan region

City: Magadan

Phone: (84132) 62 20 25

Elena Vyalbe, three-time Olympic champion of winter sports, the native of Magadan region, by tradition is present at competitions herself.

The races are open for participation by anyone.



The Festival of World Music "The Voice of the Wind"

2014-04-27

Arts festivals
Region: Moscow
City: Moscow

Venue: Central House of Painters **Phone:** +7 (499) 238 19 55

Webpage: www.cha.ru/events/293

The main news of the festival is the presentation of the album «Nordic Namgar», recorded by Norwegian-Buryat star band.

The Russian side at CHP (Central House of Painters) will be represented by ethno singer Namgar Lhasaranova and performer on *chanza* Evgeny Zolotarev.

Scandinavians at the stage of CHP will be represented by the group conducted by jazz musician, composer, arranger and producer Ole Jørn Myklebust (trumpet, xaphoon, vocals) - Fredrik Ellingsen (guitar, electronics), Kjetil Dalland (bass), Jakop Filip Jansson Hauan (drums, percussion). All of them are among the leading performers of the Northern Europe, all play in the band of the famous singer Mary Boyne.

That Scandinavian-Buryat project has materialized during the festival "Riddu-Riddu" in the summer of 2013. The new programme «Nordic Namgar» based on the material of the album will be performed at the festival. All its music, except for three traditional songs, is written by Ole Jørn Myklebust. Yet the lyrics of the songs that will be performed by Namgar is old Buryat one. The combination of Siberia words and melody of European North creates the unique mood. The festival will feature musical guests Niillas Holmberg (Finland) representing Saami people and Radik Tyulyush (Tuva) - the soloist of the world famous quartet "Huun-Huur-Tu", composer and master of traditional Tuvan throat singing. "The Voice of the Wind" will be a real sanctuary from the daily hustle and bustle of the metropolis and will provide a breath of fresh air and a panoramic view over snowy northern mountains!

The festival is supported by the Embassy of the Kingdom of Norway.



The celebration "The Blooming of maralnik"

2014-04-30 — 2014-05-01

Other festivals and celebrations

Region: Altay region

Venue: Altay Area, Altay region, Special economic and tourist zone

"Biryuzovaya Katuny"

Phone: (3852) 20 10 31, (3852) 20 07 13

Webpage: www.visitaltai.info www.altairegion22.ru

The celebration is timed with the blooming of maralnik listed in the Red Book of Altay Area and dedicated to the opening of the summer tourist season.

The celebration embraces such activities as: the photo tour of professional photographers, photo contest and photo exhibition "The Blooming of Altay"; the contest of poems dedicated to the blooming of maralnik in Altay Area; the exhibition and sale of goods by artisans and manufacturers of healthy products of Altay Area, presentations and master classes; roundtable discussion on the issues of processing of products from reindeer antlers and positioning of the region as the major producer of unique products for attracting more tourists to the area; performance of creative groups of Altay Area.

The celebration takes place within the framework of the International Tourist Forum «VISIT ALTAY».



The VIII International Military and Historical Festival "The Battle on the Ice"

2014-05-01 — 2014-05-03

Historical reconstructions

Region: Pskov region

Venue: Gdov area, the of village of Samolva

Phone: (495) 504 31 21

Webpage: доблесть-эпох.рф/ledovoe-poboishche

The festival is traditionally held in the format of the reconstruction of the real battle of 1242 on the shores of the lake Chudskoye.

The first two days will be devoted to the preparation of the battle reconstruction. The tournament of archers, qualifying fightings and master classes for participants will be held.

On Saturday, May 3, the main event of the festival will take place – the reconstruction of the battle, as well as an equestrian tournament.



The ecological tour to Dzheyrakh gorge

2014-05-01

Other festivals and celebrations Region: Republic of Ingushetia

Covered with virgin forest mountains, deep gorges of abysses, crystal clear water basins, the unique combination of climatic and recreational features puts Dzheyrakh on a par with world centers of ecotourism.

In Dzheyrakh region of the Republic of Ingushetia in early May the blooming of pines begins. At the time, the air is full with healing phytoncides that help people to treat diseases of the cardiovascular system, respiratory system, diseases of the central and peripheral nervous system.



The IV International Dance Sports Tournament "The Cup of Udmurt Republic"

2014-05-02 — 2014-05-04

Sport events

Region: Udmurt Republic

City: Izhevsk

Venue: Indoor ice rink "Olympyets"

Webpage: www.udmurtrepubliccup.ru sportturizm.udmurt.ru

By preliminary estimates of the organizers, the festival of sports, beauty and grace will bring together some two thousand participants.

It is expected that judges and athletes from twenty Russian regions as well as representatives of thirteen foreign countries (Italy, Spain, Slovenia, Lithuania, France, Great Britain, Germany, Denmark, Moldova, Belarus, Poland, Slovakia, Bulgaria) will become the guests of Izhevsk.

The athletes' age is from five years and older.

In the course of the competition the winners in the European and Latin American programmes will be determined as well as winners in the overall standing.

In 2013, in Izhevsk the international tournament of sport ball dances was held for "The Cup of Udmurtia Republic President". The event has attracted 1280 sports pairs (651 of them – pairs having sports titles and grades). For the prizes of the international tournament sportsmen from thirty-one cities in Russia as well as eight foreign countries (Belarus, Latvia, Lithuania, Italy, Moldova, Slovakia, Poland, Ukraine) were competing.

The event has enjoyed full spectators' stands, in two days of competition more than two thousand people have become the guests of the tournament.



The International Festival of speed climbing on Elbrus Red Fox Elbrus Race

2014-05-03 — 2014-05-11

Sport events

Region: Kabardino-Balkar Republic

Venue: Elbrus region

Webpage: www.elbrus.redfox.ru

The main event of the festival is the race to the western summit of Elbrus, it is held in two categories – sports and amateur ones. The race will take place at the Victory Day, on May 9. The race in the sports category as well as another discipline of the festival - "The Vertical Kilometer"- by tradition is included in the calendar of the World Series of sky-running.

The competitions in ski alpinism are held at Elbrus volcano, the highest peak in Russia and Europe. The regular shape of the volcanic cone and its slopes above 3000 m are covered with glaciers that represent a kind of mountain stadium. The main aim of the festival is to strengthen friendly relations between athletes and promote healthy lifestyle. In 2013, the festival has attracted more than 240 climbers from Spain, Italy, Poland, United States, Latvia, Great Britain, Switzerland, Ukraine, Belarus, Azerbaijan, Kyrgyzstan and Russia.



The XIII Inter-regional Festival of bard song "Mstinsky consonance"

2014-05-03 — 2014-05-04

Arts festivals

Region: Novgorod region

Phone: (81664) 2 36 88, 2 37 08

The festival is held annually during May Day holidays at the estate of Rovnoye-Novoblagodatnoye on the shore of rapid Msta river and attracts lots of followers of bard songs. To the clearing in front of rapids of Beli songwriters from Borovichy and Valday, Veliky Novgorod and St. Petersburg, Moscow and other cities of Russia as well as from neighbouring countries arrive. The programme features not only performances by art song masters and young artists, but rafting, gliding, passing by rope trail over large rapids, too.



The International Festival of Historical Reconstruction of the Early Middle Ages "Rusborg"

2014-05-07 — 2014-05-11

Historical reconstructions

Region: Lipetsk region

Venue: The festival will take place near the village of Eletsky on the banks of Bystraya Sosna. The range is located near the intersection of

the new road M4 "Don" and the road Elets - Krasnoye.

Webpage: www.south-rus.org rusborg.ru

The International festival of historical reconstruction of the early Middle Ages "Rusborg" will take place from 7 to 11 May, 2014.

"The Guest Day" is May 10. At the venue the marching camp of Slav, Scandinavians and nomadic tribes will be set up. This year, apart for traditional "fighting activities", master classes on crafts, sports and other competitions, the fleet will be provided, too. The new venue allows to use the replica of the vessels from the early Middle Ages that were previously exhibited only at the festival "Ladeynoye pole" ("The shallop field").

In 2013, the event was attended by approximately 900 participants (the representatives of the clubs from dozens of regions of Ukraine, Belarus and Russia) and more than 8000 spectators.

Spectators may participate in craft fair, test themselves in archery and javelin-throwing. One may try the heaviness of arms and armour of medieval warriors, too, in case of wish.



Victory Day

2014-05-07 — 2014-05-10

Other festivals and celebrations

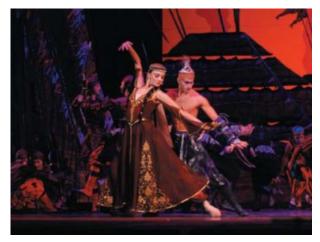
Region: Volgograd region **Phone:** (8442) 38 44 14

Webpage: www.volganet.ru www.volgadmin.ru

Volgograd region is the place of the turning point in the course of the Great Patriotic War that has affected the outcome of the whole war – the Battle of Stalingrad.

For Russia the Battle of Stalingrad means the greatest victory, the example of courage and heroism of Soviet soldiers. Volgograd is the hero city and the center of patriotic education of Russian people.

The celebration activities to mark the Day of Victory in the Great Patriotic War take place both in Volgograd and throughout Volgograd region. The key places of celebrations are: the monument-ensemble "To the Heroes of Stalingrad Battle" on Mamaev Kurgan with its main monument "The Motherland Calls!"; the Museum-panorama "Stalingrad battle" and the artistic panorama "The defeat of fascist German troops by Stalingrad" located in it; the central embankment named after the 62-nd Army with the Alley of Heroes and the square of the Fallen Fighters.



The International Festival of Classical Ballet named after Rudolf Nureyev

2014-05-14 — 2014-05-28

Arts festivals

Region: Republic of Tatarstan

Citv: Kazan

Venue: Tatar State Academic Opera and Ballet Theatre named after M.

Jalil

Phone: (843) 231 57 02

Webpage: www.kazan-opera.ru

This is the largest festival of ballet art and one of the oldest in Russia. The festival was founded in 1987. Since 1993, the festival is named after Rudolf Nureyev.

Irek Mukhamedov, Ulyana Lopatkina, Vladimir Vasilyev, Nadezhda Pavlova, Svetlana Zakharova, Julia Makhalina, Denis Matvienko, Leonid Sarafanov are among those stars who took part in the festival in different years, yet, the list is not complete.



The VIII Citywide Cultural and Educational Action "The Night at Museum"

2014-05-17

Other festivals and celebrations

Region: Moscow City: Moscow

Venue: Museums and exhibition halls

Phone: (495) 621 98 64 Webpage: www.kultura.mos.ru

The action that encompasses more than 250 museums and exhibition spaces of the city contributes of the increase of interest to visit museums and spend tine for cultural activities as well as promote availability of arts for general public. In 2013, over 1 200 000 people have visited the institutions participating in the action. The forecast for 2014 is 1 500 000 people.



"The Night at the Museum", Rostov Kremlin

2014-05-17

Other festivals and celebrations

Region: Yaroslavl region

City: Rostov

Venue: The State museum-reserve "Rostov Kremlin"

Phone: (48536) 6 17 17

Webpage: www.rostmuseum.ru

The State museum-reserve "Rostov Kremlin" takes part in the international action "The Night at the Museum". The programme includes a concert of bell chimes, presentation of one-day exhibition "The costumes from the collection of "Rostov Kremlin", summarizing the literary competition of the best poem for the music composition by Olesya Rostovskaya "Lights on the pond", plein-air concert "This wonderful world": the mystery in G minor. For visiting during the evening, the passages along the Kremlin walls, observation ground of Water Tower and Metropolitan garden are open.



The VI Inter-regional Festival of Folk Traditions "Bylina"

2014-05-17

The folk celebrations
Region: Tula region

Venue: The village of Monastyrshchino, Kimovsk district

Phone: (4872) 36 28 34 **Webpage:** www.kulpole.ru

Thefestival of folk traditions "Bylina" is held with the participation of the Support Fund for the society development "Our Children" and coincides with the Orthodox holidays traditionally celebrated in May: the day of Blessed Matrona of Moscow, the day of carrying the relics of Blessed Russian Princes Boris and Gleb, the day of holy martyr George the Victory-bearer, the day of **equal to the apostles**Cyril and Methodius (the Day of Slavic writing and culture). The festival "Bylina" includes the contest of folk groups, town churches of orthodox and parochial schools and boarding schools, the competition in *lapta* (the ball game) among children and youth teams, the tournament of designers and pilots of kites.

The festival programme is open for individual participation by everybody wishing.



The IV Event Tourist Festival "Russian

leaven²⁰¹⁴⁻⁰⁵⁻¹⁸ Other festivals and celebrations

Region: Lipetsk region

Citv: Yelets

Venue: Lipetsk region, the city of Elets, Mira str., Lenin sq., the park

named after Prishvin Phone: 8-47467-2-30-65

"Russian leaven" is the festival of crafts and folk daring. Without leaven in Russia there is no bread, no kvas, no beer. Without special state of the soul, as people say - "leaven", it is impossible to imagine a Russian man.

The historical and cultural celebration "Russian leaven" is based on the traditions of national household life: bread, kvas, beer and everything that can be made sour.

The wide Russian soul "spreads itself" at concert venues in the city, in competitions and at Bogatyr (warrior) settlement. Since ancient times, the border with the Wild Field was protected by Russian bogatyrs. They are not extinct in this land nowadays. They wait for You in "Bogatyr settlement" - both ancient and modern ones.

At "Guttler rows" one is treated to kalatch (fancy loaf), pies, kulebyaka (closed pie with meat, fish or cabbage filling), pancakes, kyas, beer and all that that can be seen on the table in Russian hospitable house.

Guests are invited to traktirs (restaurants), diners, fast food places.

The second day of "Russian leaven" is the festivity of brewers. Beer is brewed in Elets since the middle of the XIX century. Brewers were attracted by exceptionaly clean and tasty water of Elets. Since that time "Elets Bavaria" exists. Modern Elets brewers prepare not only beer: you will be treated to kvas, sbiten (hot Russian drink of water, honey and spices), honey and other traditional drinks.

Elets is the city of masters, they weave amazing laces, cut wood, forge iron in it. Boot making is alive in the city, Elets embroidery is famous, too. At "The City of Masters" master classes of folk craftsmen are held, souvenirs from all over Russia are sold.



Hansa day

2014-05-17 — 2014-05-17

Other festivals and celebrations

Region: Novgorod region City: Veliky Novgorod Phone: (8162) 94 62 44

Veliky Novgorod is the most European city of Ancient Rus. To say that is unpatriotic, non-typical and unfashionable, yet the facts are stubborn thing. Medieval Novgorod was the part of Hanseatic League, that, without the quotes, is called the prototype of the modern European single market, the link between medieval Europe and Russia, the peculiar "door" into Europe, the center of international integration and trade. The festival programme features the performances of creative teams, the competition of cakes, master classes and games. The guests are treated to substantial eating rows.



The Inter-regional ethno-festival "Shanavyl - seven colours, seven notes"

2014-05-19

Other festivals and celebrations

Region: Mari El Republic **City:** Kozmodemyansk

Venue: Ethnographic open-air museum named after V.I. Romanov

Phone: (88363) 27 23 69 **Webpage:** www.kmkmuzey.ru

The ethnographic open-air museum named after V.I. Romanov is one of four objects of Kozmodemyansk cultural and historical museum complex. The preservation of wooden architecture, samples of ancient tools of work and household activities applied in peasant economy of Mariysk Volga area in the late XIX - early XX centuries are on display. The festival is aimed at broad audience of all ages that allows it to preserve and transfer folk traditions from the older generation to the younger one, introduce the traditional folk culture to many people. The festival is aimed at mutual support of different nations in the name of decent preservation and development of national cultures, languages and traditions of the people of Russia, spiritual and moral education, acquiring all the richness of native culture. The festival will feature the participation of amateur and professional teams of folk artistic creativity, masters of traditional arts and crafts of the Republic of Mari El as well as regions of Russia.

The programme will include master classes on decorative and applied arts, exhibitions, tasting of national dishes, interactive presentation, visiting the attractions of the city of Kozmodemyansk and Mountain Mari area, awarding the participants of the festival, gala concert, organization of national games and rituals, ethno-disco.



The Sports and tourist camp of Privolzhsky Federal District "Turiada"

2014-05-21 — 2014-05-24

Sport events

Region: Saratov region

Venue: Khvalynsky area, the ski resort "Khvalynsky"

Phone: (8452) 73 49 80, (8452) 26 13 03 **Webpage:** www.tourism.saratov.gov.ru

The complex event is aimed at revealing the best athletes-tourists of the district and promotion of tourism. The programme includes inter-regional (district) competition in sports tourism, open outdoor tourist rally, activities of educational tourism.

The festival of authors' song, colourful opening and closing ceremonies of the camp are organized, too. In 2013, the event was attended by about 500 people from 14 regions of Privolzhsky Federal Territory. The camp participants have included teams of students and pupils from the regions of Privolzhsky Federal Territory, tourist and sports clubs, organizations and educational institutions of Saratov region.



The All-Russia Orthodox Children Celebration "Blagostina"

2014-05-22 — 2014-06-01

Other festivals and celebrations

Region: Yaroslavl region

City: Uglich

Webpage: www.blagostina.uglich.ru

"Blagostina" is the only children educational and creative charity decade in Russia.

It is organized under the slogan "To the world of childhood - love and mercy!"

The programme of the decade naturally embraces orthodox holidays (The Day of Slavic Writing and Culture, the Day of Tsarevich Dimitry) and secular celebrations (The Last Bell, The International Day of Children Protection, the All-Russia Day of libraries).

"Blagostina" is the main children Orthodox celebration, it has got the blessing of the Patriarch of Moscow and All Russia Alexy II.

The Saint right-believing *tsarevich* (the son of tar) Dimitry, the youngest son of Ivan the Terrible has tragically died in Uglich on May 15 (on May 28 by new calendar) in 1591 and was canonized. In Russian Orthodox Church, he is the only holy child – the heaven patron of all children. Pilgrims from all over Russia come to ancient Uglich to venerate the relics of the "murdered prince".

The celebration of the Day of Tsarevich Dimitry in Uglich was revived in 1997.



The XXVII Sobinov Music Festival

2014-05-22 — 2014-06-04

Arts festivals

Region: Saratov region

City: Saratov

Venue: Saratov Academic Theatre of Opera and Ballet

Phone: (8452) 27 84 21

Webpage: www.tourism.saratov.gov.ru www.operabalet.ru/sobinov

All-Russia music festival is held in Saratov every spring since 1986.

The festival has got its name in honour of the great Russian tenor Leonid Vitalyevich Sobinov who in the years 1910-1929, at the peak of his career, has come on a tour to Saratov.

Over the years, the festival has gained credibility and received wide publicity.

Each spring outstanding masters of theatrical stage, young gifted singers and leading artistic teams who make the pride of national and world culture come to Saratov.

Annually the festival programme accumulates new artistic ideas, reflecting events of modernity and world cultural process, meeting spiritual needs of the audience and shaping the tastes of younger generation.



The International Literary and Folklore Festival "Sholokhov Spring"

2014-05-23 — 2014-05-24

Literary holidays Region: Rostov region

Venue: Sholokhov district, the village of Veshenskaya

Phone: (863) 240 42 42, (863) 532 13 05

Webpage: www.dontourism.ru

The festival is timed to coincide with the anniversary of the birth of Don writer, Nobel Prize winner – M.A. Sholokhov. The first "Sholokhov Spring" was held on 24 May 1985, on the 80-th anniversary of M.A. Sholokhov. Since 1987, the celebration has turned into All-Russia one, in 1990 it has gained international status.

Each year to "Sholokhov Spring" all those come who are passionate about the works of the great writer and interested in the life, culture and household customs of Don Cossacks, who loves true folk art. Famous writers, actors, and public figures are among the guests of the event.

The guests of the celebration are not only spectators but participants of concerts, performances, competitions of singers and dancers, sports events.

The festival itinerary includes interactive programmes, contests, exhibition and sale of items produced by masters of decorative and applied art, people festivity, literary and folklore evening performance and a gala concert at the embankment of the river Don.

During the festival life at its venues more than 60 thousand participants of amateur and professional creative teams have performed. The event was visited by some 2.5 million guests from all over the world.



The Street of History

2014-05-23

Historical reconstructions

Region: Moscow City: Moscow

Venue: Tverskoy Boulevard Phone: (495) 215 29 26 Webpage: www.ratobor.com

The city festivity in the center of Moscow offers its guests a wonderful opportunity to travel back in time to find out about the secrets and mysteries of the various epochs that have come to live.

At Tverskoy Boulevard vivid historical events will unfold starting from Russia of the X century to the 80-s of the XX century.

"The Street of History" is the retrospective of the most significant moments of the past.

Guests will be able to find themselves in ancient Rus of the X-XV cc. and see the ancient wedding ceremonies or – in the Time of Troubles and witness the moves of marching training. Meanwhile at the site featuring the time of Peter the Great one may learn how to load a cannon and hussars will teach how to fight with a saber.

At the the XX century location one may rent a dress and join a historic celebration stepping among those who hail Yury Gagarin after his flight into outer space, at the site of the 60-s, or enjoy the real Soviet *eskimo* ice-cream at the site of the 80-s.

In 2014, the festivity will move to a new format – an excursion one. An interactive programme has been developed. Some festival sites will operate in the format of "flash mobs".

Admission to the festival grounds is free of charge.



The XII International Festival of Music and Crafts "Living Old Times"

2014-05-23 — 2014-05-25

Arts festivals

Region: Yaroslavl region

City: Rostov

Venue: The state-museum "Rostov Kremlin"

Phone: (48536) 6-17-17

Webpage: www.rostmuseum.ru

Traditionally, at the end of May the State museum-reserve "Rostov Kremlin" invites folklore musicians and connoisseurs of folk music to the festival "Living Old Times".

This year, the participation of "Russian music", "Romoda", "Krutuha", "Shiroky Dvor", "Repey" ensembles are expected at "Living Old Times" in Rostov Kremlin.

The art-project "Vasilyev evening" of folklore and ethnographic team from Tomsk and the movie "World Village" by Sergey Starostin will be presented.

The audience will be entertained by the folk theater of *Petrushka* (Punch) "Paperrogue", puppet studio "Ezhiki" (Hedgehogs), the theater of historical reconstruction "Silver Falcon".

The old crafts will be featured by master classes of Russian folk masters.



The Children Military and Historical Festival "The Steadfast Tin Soldier"

2014-05-24 — 2014-05-25

Historical reconstructions

Region: Moscow region

Venue: Mozhaysk municipal area, the village of Borodino, The State

Borodino war and history museum-reserve **Phone:** (49638) 6 32 26, (49638) 5 15 22

Webpage: www.borodino.ru

"The Steadfast Tin Soldier" is the traditional gift of Borodino museum for children by the end of the school year. The festival programme includes activities at several sites in the center of the field of Borodino, at the foot of Rayevsky Battery.

At first the children, together with a guide, get familiar with the museum displays, visit the monuments and memorial places related to two Patriotic wars where their ancestors were fighting against foreign invaders – in August 1812 and October 1941.

At recreated bivouacs children are introduced to marching army life and equipment of the time.

On the spot they may take their pictures in a soldier uniform, ride a horse, taste soldier porridge from the field kitchen, visit the toy fair.

"At two o'clock in the afternoon" the spectators come to Rayevsky Battery for dramatized performance "Through flying smoke". It is opened by the performance of Honour Cavalry Escort of the Presidential Regiment, then the event goes on with the reconstruction of the fighting activities by infantry, cavalry and artillery in the epoch of 1812 performed by military and history clubs, the presentation is completed by the performance of paratroopers.

Having visited several epochs, children and grown-ups may better understand the meaning of the field of Borodino as the only place in Russia that is the memorial place to two Patriotic wars.



The Regional Cultural and Ethnographic Tatar Celebratioon "Sabantuv"

2014-05-24

The folk celebrations Region: Volgograd region

Venue: Svetloyar district, the village of Malye Chapurniky

Phone: (84477) 6 26 39, 6 21 35 **Webpage:** www.welcomevolgograd.com

Svetloyar area is the southern gate of Volgograd region. The annual folklore and ethnographic Tatar celebration is one of the brightest and the most multinational events. Theatrical parade of creative teams, concert programme, horse races, national games and competitions, the revival of ancient folk traditions – all that represents "Sabantuy".



The Day of Slavic Writing and Culture

2014-05-24

Other festivals and celebrations

Region: Krasnoyarsk region

City: Krasnoyarsk

Venue: Krasnoyarsk State Academy of music and theatre

Phone: 227 82 31, 211 48 40

Pursuant to the Decree of the President of Russian Federation "On the celebration of the Day of Slavic Writing and Culture" at the Memorial Day of equal to the apostles Saints Cyril and Methodius the festive activities will take place. That wonderful tradition was born a year ago when for the first time artists on a stage and the audience at the Red Square in Moscow began to singing favorite songs together.

The concert will feature popular and favourite songs by Russian composers. The Choir of Krasnoyarsk will prepare the programme featuring nine works that will be performed with accompaniment of the city brass band.



All-Russia Festival of popular songs named after B.A. Mokrousov "On wide Volga..."

2014-05-24

Arts festivals

Region: Nizhny Novgorod region

City: Volodarsk

The composer Boris Mokrousov, born in Nizhny Novgorod, has made famous Sormovsky district of the city of Gorky. In his childhood he was often visiting the village of Krasnaya Gorka in Volodarsk area, where he wrote the song. The gala concert of the winners of V All-Russia festival-competition of popular song named B.A. Mokrousov "On wide Volga..." will be held on May 24 in Volodarsk at the square in front House of Culture. The participants will include amateur artistic groups from Nizhny Novgorod and Vladimir region, some participants will come from Saransk and Murmansk. That geography is not surprising: the songs by B. Mokrousov were sung and are still sung throughout the whole country.

The festival programme features a concert of brass band and active attractions ("Merry Starts" competitions, paintings on asphalt, running on stilts), tournaments in checkers, chess, domino, "gorodky" game, dances, contest "Hello, we are looking for gifted ones", concert of the bards' songs and much more.



The Festival "Arzamas Goose"

2014-05-24

Other festivals and celebrations Region: Nizhny Novgorod region

City: Arzamas

Webpage: nnwelcome.ru

The peculiar feature of the festival is a combination of professional skills of the participants and good appetite of its quests!

Along with the songs and dances that combination brings about the excellent overall result – a great mood! From the event title it is clear that no one will do without goose at that day. Goose will appear with seafood, goose will come with porridge, goose will be chopped in competition programme, and finally, the most important goose will float on the lake

The festival will bring together more than 20 chefs from the city of Nizhny Novgorod and Nizhny Novgorod region to participate in a culinary battle.

Professionals will hold master classes, the festival guests could then treat themselves to the tasty outcomes of the master classes.

The "City of craftsmen", farmers' shops, children playground, food court, zoo, performances by folk groups – all that will also make part of the festival.



Russian Folklore Celebration "Karavon"

2014-05-24

The folk celebrations

Region: Republic of Tatarstan

Venue: The village of Nikolskoye of Layshevsk municipal district

Every May in the village of Nikolskoye in Layshevsk district guests from various corners of the republic and the country will come with the aim to plunge themselvs into Russian village traditions amd be closer to the sources of originality. The celebration "Karavon" enjoys more than three hundred years of history. It coincides with the village patronal festival – the day of Nicholas the Miracle-maker from the town of Mira in Lykia.

In old times the celebration at the place took place for three days: it began with church service in the village church, then moved to houses with family festive tables and then – to streets, where festivities and ring dance "karavon" were held.

Karavon not only united all inhabitants of the village on the basis of ancestral traditions, but had pragmatic significance, too – after sowing young people "played" their weddings, middle-aged and elder people visited each other at home, sang songs, remembered the dead, asked Nicholas of Spring to bring them rich harvest.

The festival of Russian folk groups from Tatarstan will present folk heritage of Russian people, decotrative and applied arts and crafts, ritual ring dance inherent to the local tradition. The celebration annually is attended by over 120 teams from the Republic of Tatarstan, Chuvashia, Udmurtia Republic, the Republic of Mari El, Kirov region, Moscow, St. Petersburg, Samara, Novosibirsk, etc. The total number of participants and spectators reaches 10,000 people. From Nikolskoye to Kazan the distance is 36 km. On the day of the event transfer of the participants and guests is organized.



The III International Festival of Hip-Hop Culture "The Dough (Testo)"

2014-05-25

Arts festivals

Region: Kostroma region

City: Kostroma

Venue: The Youth complex "The Palais" **Phone:** (4942) 31 40 75, 31 34 53

Webpage: www.dkko.ru vk.com/testo_kostroma

The motto of the festival is "What dough are You made from?". The best dancers of Russia and the CIS countries will meet on the dance floor on that day in Kostroma.

In 2012, the festival has brought together some 100 participants from three countries and eight regions of Russia, in 2013 – more than 200 participants from five countries and 27 regions of Russia. The number of spectators has increased from a few hundred people to 1,500.

The festival promotes a proactive life stance and a healthy lifestyle among young people; it aims to support dance groups, youth associations and movements of Kostroma and Russia as a whole, to strengthen international creative and business contacts.



The International Military and Music Festival "Amur waves"

2014-05-25 — 2014-06-02

Arts festivals

Region: Khabarovsk region

City: Khabarovsk

Phone: (4212) 32 39 81, 40 88 97, 32 50 66, 32 52 37 **Webpage:** www.amur-waves.ru www.knotok.ru

The festival "Amur waves" is one of the brightest and most significant events in the cultural life of the capital of the Far East.

During two years of its existence, the festival has attracted attention from far beyond the Far Eastern Federal District. On November 2013 in Moscow at All-Russia award "Edges of Mass Theatre" ceremony, the country professional award for creative achievements in the field of mass forms of theatrical art, the International festival of military bands "Amur waves" was awarded with the highest prize in the nomination "The best city day".

This year, some 600 military musicians, including leading military music groups from the Republic of Kazakhstan, Japan and Mongolia will become the participants of the event.

The solemn opening of the International military and music festival "Amur waves" will be held at the most beautiful square of the city, near the walls of the Cathedral of Transfiguration.

Gala concert will be held on June 1 in sports-entertainment complex "Platinum Arena".



Open festival of folk arts "The Golden Boat"

2014-05-25 — 2014-05-25

Other festivals and celebrations

Region: Ryazan region **Phone:** +7 (49131) 44-00-6

Webpage: ryazantourism.ru/guide/festivals/16

Every year in late May the festival of folk arts "The Golden Boat" in Kasimov attracts skilled craftsmen, painters, poets, musicians, artisans and creators. The festival consists of several sites organized by various artistic themes, targeting different social and age groups: "Craft village" and "Settlement of handmade items" - exhibition and sale of products of folk arts and crafts, applied and decorative arts, master classes; "Poetic settlement" - an exhibition and concert of poetry creators; "Musical settlement" - a concert of artists of performing art; "Art Settlement" - an exhibition and sale of pieces of fine arts; "Funny settlement" - children's animation playground, amusements; "Bread settlement" - the activity of appetizing rows; "The city that I love " - an exhibition of artistic photography.



The City Day - the Day of St. Petersburg foundation

2014-05-27

Other festivals and celebrations

Region: Saint-Petersburg City: Saint Petersburg Phone: (812) 576 42 08 Webpage: www.gov.spb.ru

The date of Saint Petersburg birth is considered to be the day when Peter the Great has laid the foundation of Peter and Paul Fortress at Hare Island in the mouth of Neva River in 1703.

The City Day is celebrated by both city residents and its visitors. A large number of tourists is attracted by the opportunity to become participants of traditional festivities in the time of white nights.

At the City Day processions and parades, fairs and concerts featuring popular artists are held, the representatives of municipal authorities take floor. Often in time adjusted to coincide with the City Day new monuments are opened as well as various facilities after completion of their construction or repair.

After sunset one may hear reverberations of celebration fireworks.



The IV Transbaikalia International Film Festival

2014-05-29 — 2014-06-02

Arts festivals

Region: Trans-Baikal region

City: Chita

Phone: (3022) 28 34 46

Webpage: www.zmkf.ru www.забайкальскийкрай.рф

The Transbaikalia International Film Festival (TBIFF) is held since 2011. To the audience attention the works of contemporary cinema based on traditional spiritual and moral values, films of high artistic and aesthetic level are brought.

Domestic and foreign actors and actresses of theater and movies, directors, film makers take part in the festival activities. Within the framework of the festival competition and out-of-competition presentations of movies, artistic meetings, master classes and gala concerts take place.

The cultural programme of the festival introduces Transbaikalia multinational region to the festival guests. In 2013 at the event called "Transbaikalia courtyard" *semeisk izba* (wooden house), Buryat *yurta* and Evenk *chyum* (tent for living) were presented. In each house guests might enjoy national food.

At the IV TBIFF the first nights of Russian and foreign films of 2013-2014 production are planned; the "New Look" programme prepared for the younger audience; the show of the best feature and documentary films of 2013-2014 that have been renowned at international film events; the programme "Eco-docu" revealing the theme of ecology is featured, too, as well as the recital of People's Artist of Russia Sergey Garmash, solo performance of Maxim Averin - the actor of Moscow theater "Satyricon" named after A.I. Raikin - and many other interesting events.



The Inter-regional Festival-Contest of Cossack Culture "The Cossack Land"

2014-05-30 — 2014-05-31

Arts festivals

Region: Stavropol region

Venue: The settlement of Kurskaya, Kursk district, the District House of

Culture

Phone: (8652) 26 64 78, (887964) 6 28 63 **Webpage:** www.skdnt.ru www.mincultsk.ru

The festival introduces traditional song and ritual Cossack culture that defines the identity of the region to the event quests.

The festival programme features the solemn ceremonies of the event opening and closing, concert performances, creative meetings among artists of people and folk groups, ensembles of Cossack songs, a gala concert. The settlement of Kurskaya is historical Cossack village, the boundary of Stavropol area that has among its neighbours Dagestan, Chechnya, Kabardino-Balkaria, North Ossetia. The settlement is situated on the left bank of the river Kura. At the territory of the district there is the unique breaker steppe.



All-Russia Festival of bard songs "Kulikovo Field"

2014-05-30 — 2014-06-01

Other festivals and celebrations

Region: Tula region

Venue: The village of Monastyrshchino, Kimovsk district

Phone: (4872) 36 28 34 Webpage: www.kulpole.ru

All-Russia Festival of bard songs "Kulikovo Field" is held since 2001 on the last weekend of May and timed with the Day of Remembrance of right-believing Prince of Moscow Dmitry Donskoy that is celebrated on June 1.

Every year, at that day at Kulikovo Field people of different ages and occupations gather near the confluence of Don and Nepryadva river: hundreds of authors and performers of bard songs, creative teams and clubs of bard songs from different parts of this country.

They are all united by the romantic mood of campfire, guitar music and sincere conversations.

The festival of bard songs "Kulikovo Field" is not only the meeting of old friends, it is the place to meet new people and learn new songs, too.



Fet Poetry Celebration

2014-05-31

Literary holidays Region: Orel region

Venue: Orel area, the village of Kleymenovo

Phone: (4862) 59 00 13

Webpage: www.tourism-orel.ru

That is a great poetic celebration, its history is of almost four decades long.

Fet celebration traditionally takes place in the last days of spring in the village of Kleymenovo which was more than once visited by Afanasy Fet during his life and where nowadays in the crypt of the Church of the Intercession of the Holy Virgin the ashes of the poet rest in peace.

The celebration programme features poetry citations, performances of creative groups from Orel region and neighbouring territories, theatrical performances, exhibitions and literary quizzes, people festivities and traditional rural farmsteads with treats.



The International Festival World Fairy Tale Games

2014-05-31 — 2014-06-01

Other festivals and celebrations

Region: Kirov region

City: Kirov

Phone: (8332) 64 79 78, (8332) 76 03 02

Webpage: www.visitkirov.ru

The Games are funny sport competitions of Russian and foreign fairy tale characters in seven fairy-tale sports. The motto of the Games is "Let's be friends by fairy tales!"

During the festival charity activities in welfare institutions for children in the city of Kirov and in Kirov region are organized.

In 2014 participation of over 30 fairy-tale characters from six foreign countries and 20 cities of Russia is expected. Spectators will be involved in all kinds of activities of the festival, it is expected that there will be over 25 thousand spectators.

The festival audience represents families with children, school children, students, people who believe in miracles and that wonders could be created with their own hands.

Vyatka region is the place where childhood and youth years of Russian painters V.M. and A.M. Vasnetsov were spent, their paintings have glorified Russian fairy tales and the history of Russia.

The city of Kirov (ex. Vyatka) is the birthplace of Russian writer Alexander Grin, the author of the famous extravaganza "Scarlet Sails", the book that praises romance, love, loyalty and faith in miracles at its pages.



The Festival "The Best City in the World"

2014-06-01 — 2014-08-31

Other festivals and celebrations

Region: Moscow City: Moscow

Venue: Various sites around the city

Phone: (495) 621 98 64

Webpage: www.kultura.mos.ru www.lgz-moscow.ru

The Summer city festival "The Best city in the world" is held for the second year in a row. The festival includes local festivities, festivals of street culture, concerts, tournaments and other activities in parks and administrative districts of the capital.

Being the largest city festival, "The Best city in the world" will bring under its umbrella the best events of the summer!



The XXV Open Russian Film Festival "Kinotavr"

2014-06-01 — 2014-06-08

Arts festivals

Region: Krasnodar region

City: Sochi

Phone: (495) 699 98 85, (495) 699 26 20

Webpage: www.kinotavr.ru

"Kinotavr" is held in the Olympic capital of Russia - in the city of Sochi.

This year the film festival celebrates its 25-th anniversary. Until the year 2011, only Russian movies could take part in the competition of feature films.

Since 2011, the geographical limit was uplifted, any movie in Russian language may be submitted to the competition. Fourteen films participate in the main competition programme. They are shot both by renowned directors and debutants. More than half of the directors whose films are presented in the programme in 2014, are women. All in all 9 prizes will be won.



The International Museum Festival "Intermuseum"

2014-06-03 — 2014-06-09

Exhibitions and forums

Region: Moscow
City: Moscow

Venue: The Central Exhibition Hall "Manege" **Phone:** (495) 788 30 90, (499) 267 81 08

Webpage: imuseum.ru

The International Festival "Intermuseum 2014" is one of the key events that take place during the ongoing Year of Culture in Russia. This year the theme is "Museum in the digital age" – "Museum in the information space". "Intermuseum-2014" is situated at the unique site of Central Exhibition Hall "Manezh" that allows to accommodate not only the festival part of the project (more than 200 museums-participants, extensive business and cultural programme), but also an exhibition of authentic works of art – purchases by the Ministry of culture for museum collections of the country during last year.

Such exposition will be organized at the festival for the first time. As well as many other things – including free participation for all museums, regardless of their affiliation and status (state, municipal, private).

The festival is aimed not only at professional museum community. For Muscovites and guests of the capital exhibtion zone, children play area and Museum shop that has brought together souvenirs and publications of all participants of "Intermuseum 2014" is provided.

Alreday for 15 years the festival of museums is the major event and "hallmark" of Russian museum community. The festival enables museums to present their own achievements and draw attention of professionals from cultural and business communities from around the world to their activity.



The XIII International Festival of Arts Named After A.D. Sakharov

2014-06-03 — 2014-06-16

Arts festivals

Region: Nizhny Novgorod region

City: Nizhny Novgorod

Venue: Nizhny Novgorod Philharmonic named after Rostropovich

Phone: (831) 439 11 87 **Webpage:** www.music-nn.ru

Once in two years Nizhny Novgorod turns into the center of attraction for world famous musicians, artists, drama actors and all those who care about their creativity, are touched by it or simply encouraged to look at the world from a different point of view.

Once in two years citizens of many cities, including Moscow and St. Petersburg, envy the ones leaving in Nizhny Novgorod. And not by chance: for two weeks every day in Nizhny Novgorod the music of Mozart, Tchaikovsky, Shostakovich, Vivaldi, Haydn, Brahms, Stravinsky, Britten, Rachmaninoff and other famous composers is in the air. The XIII International Festival of Arts named after A.D. Sakharov will bring together 300 teams from several countries. Each name will surely impress. Among them - "Virtuosos of Moscow" under the conduction of Vladimir Spivakov, "Moscow Soloists" under the conduction of Yury Bashmet, Choir capella of Yurlov, Quartet named after Borodin, Hungarian National Ballet, French jazz trio, Denis Matsuev, Sergey Krylov, Alexander Knyazev, Ignat Solzhenitsyn, drama actor Alexander Filippenko and many other favourite names.

The programme of the XIII International Festival of Arts named after A.D. Sakharov is published at the website of Nizhny Novgorod State Philharmonic named after Mstislav Rostropovich.



Velikoretsky cross procession

2014-06-03 — 2014-06-08

Other festivals and celebrations

Region: Kirov region

City: Kirov

Venue: The city of Kirov, the village of Bobino, Zagarye, Monastyrskoye,

Gorokhovo, Velikoretskoye, Murygino, Girsovo

Phone: (8332) 38 18 82

Webpage: www.velikoretsky-hod.ru

This is one of the oldest cross processions in Russia, its tradition originates in the XIV century.

Annually, for six centuries, from the city of Kirov (Vyatka) pilgrims bring the icon of St. Nicholas to the place of its appearance - on the bank of the river Veliky in the village of Velikoretskoye.

At divine service in the village of Velikoretskoye more than 30 thousand pilgrims will be present.



The International Tournament of Mixed Fighting "Battle in the Mountains"

2014-06-04 — 2014-06-10

Sport events

Region: Republic of Ingushetia **Venue:** Dzheyrakh region

"The Battle in the Mountains" is held annually. The combat arena, the fighting ring and stands for spectators are set under open sky surrounded by majestic mountains and medieval monuments - Ingush towers.



The International Forum of Technological Development "Technoprom"

2014-06-05 — 2014-06-06

Exhibitions and forums Region: Novosibirsk region

City: Novosibirsk

Venue: IEC "Novosibirsk Expocentre"

Phone: (499) 940 12 00

Webpage: forumtechnoprom.com www.novosibexpo.ru

The Forum name – "The epoch of technological transformations: the time of new victories" – reflects the global economic agenda. The period after the crisis has already acquired a stable definition as "the epoch of transformations". The term was used at World Economic Forum in Davos and made part of the main theme of St. Petersburg International Economic Forum – "Strengthening the trust in the epoch of transformations".

The development of the theme at "Technoprom 2014" forum is connected with the search for effective way to implement the potential that Russia has in structural and technological transformations. The forum participants will provide answer to the key question: "How to gain leadership under conditions of global transformations?".



The Carnival in Gelendzhik (the Celebration of Holiday Season Opening)

2014-06-05 — 2014-06-08

Other festivals and celebrations

Region: Krasnodar region

City: Gelendzhik

Phone: (86141) 2 09 16

Webpage: www.gelendzhik.org

The celebration includes magnificent carnival procession, concerts of creative amature groups, performances of Russian and foreign pop-music stars, children carnival, fairs, fireworks.



The International Scientific Conference "Steppe and steppe species: ecology, transformation and renovation"

2014-06-05 — 2014-06-15

Exhibitions and forums Region: Tula region

Venue: The village of Monastyrshchino (Kimovsk district of Tula region)

Phone: (4872) 36 28 34 **Webpage:** www.kulpole.ru

The conference will be held in Russia for the first time. The territory of the museum-reserve "Kulikovo Field" located in the southeastern part of Tula region, in forest-steppe zone, is chosen as the first venue of the event in the country. Kulikovo field is not only the first battle ground of Russia, but the unique steppe area as well that have survived by small portions on the slopes of the river valleys of the rivers Don, Nepryadva, Krasivaya mecha and their tributaries. Those steppe areas are natural monuments of Tula region, they are under protection. Similar steppe areas in European countries are almost completely destroyed, that is why one of the objectives of the conference is the acquaintance of foreign scientists with the best preserved steppe habitats, their species composition and structure.

Over 70 scientists from Germany, Austria, Hungary, Greece, Tunisia, Algeria, Iran, Ukraine, Kazakhstan and other countries will take part in the conference. Russia is represented by major scientific schools of St. Petersburg, Moscow, Novosibirsk, Ufa, Tolgyatti, Bryansk, Kursk, Rostov, Tula.

The participants of field tours will visit steppe "natural monuments" of Tula region in the upper reaches of the river Don and the steppes of Kursk (Central Chernozem reserve named after V.V. Alekhin) and Rostov (the village of Veshenskaya, the museum-reserve of M. Sholokhov) region.

Foreign guests will be also introduced to the cultural attractions of different regions of this country, its traditions and customs.

The conference is held under the auspices of Russian Geographical Society, Russian Foundation for Fundamental Researches, European Dry Grassland Group, Ministry of Natural Resources of Tula region, the museum-reserve "Kulikovo Field", Tula State University.



The International Platonov Arts Festival

2014-06-05 — 2014-06-15

Arts festivals

Region: Voronezh region

City: Voronezh

Venue: Voronezh, Voronezh region, the village of Ramony

Webpage: www.platonovfest.com

The main purpose of the festival is to support and develop national cultural traditions and modern achievements of Russian and world art; to promote the ideas of humanism and cultural values among residents of Voronezh region and other regions of Central Russia; to facilitate extension of the spiritual heritage of the writer Andrey Platonov, who was born in Voronezh.



The International ski forum Dombay - Arhiz

2014-06-05 — 2014-06-08

Sport events

Region: Karachay-Cherkess Republic

Venue: The village of Dombay, the Republic of Karachay-Cherkessya

Webpage: kchr.info

The activities of the forum are aimed at developing of ski resorts of the republic.

The event participants include tour operators, travel agents, representatives of ski centers, manufacturers of ski equipment, sport federations of winter sports.



The Environmental Festival Ecograd

2014-06-05

Other festivals and celebrations

Region: Voronezh region

City: Voronezh

Phone: (473) 228 31 82

Webpage: eco.voronezh-city.ru

The purpose of the event is to promote ecological tourism.

Situated in the vicinity of Voronezh Biosphere Reserve the nature museum, rope park, beaver nursery and Tolshevsky monastery is special draw for tourists.



The Festival of Arts, Work and Sports Samotlor nights

2014-06-06 — 2014-06-08

Arts festivals

Region: Khanty-Mansy autonomous region

City: Nizhnevartovsk

Venue: Central stadium, lake Komsomolskoe, area of the Palace of arts

Phone: (3466) 24 18 81, (3466) 46 77 75 **Webpage:** www.depcultura.admhmao.ru

For four days at the Central Stadium in the city of Nizhnevartovsk there is the flame of Samotlor nights. All that time the citizens take part in the competion of prams, lovers celebrate weddings, athletes compete in various sports and music fans participate in music competitions. The festival has the history of over 35 years. Tourists will be interested to get acquainted with the city of oil and gas industry workers, the city of discovery.



The II Regional Festival of Russian Classics by Professional Puppet Theaters "Pushkin origins. Korenevshchino"

2014-06-06 — 2014-06-08

Arts festivals

Region: Lipetsk region

Venue: The city of Lipetsk and the village of Korenevshchino of Dobrov

district

Phone: (4742) 27 14 12 **Webpage:** www.lgtk48.ru

In the festival the participation of professional puppet theaters from Central Russia is expected.

By tradition, at Pushkin Day of Russia, within the framework of the festival flowers will be laid at the memorial sign placed to the memory of the wedding of Ossip Hannibal and Maria Pushkina. The performance of Lipetsk poets and writers will take place.

On June 8, at the ancestral homeland of A.S. Pushkin in the village of Korenevshchino in Dobrov district the award ceremony of the winners of the festival and performance of one of the festival participants will be held in natural settings.

The festival 2014 is dedicated to the 200-th anniversary of the birth of Mikhail Lermontov and focused on the performances based on his works.



The All-Russia Pushkin Poetry Celebration

2014-06-06 — 2014-06-07

Literary holidays Region: Pskov region

Venue: The village of Pushkin Hills, the State memorial

history-literature and natural-landscape museum-reserve of A.S. Pushkin $\,$

"Mikhailovskoye", the city of Pskov - Pskov regional philharmonic

Phone: (8112) 29 98 85

Webpage: www.pushkin.ellink.ru www.culture.pskov.ru

The XLVIII (the 48th) All-Russia Pushkin poetry celebration is one of the biggest annual cultural event in the country, carried out since 1967. Over the years, it was attended by the most famous poets and writers of the Soviet Union, the representatives of world literature.

Pushkin poetry celebration has become an experimental platform for young poets, writers, musicians and artists. Each time the event opens new names, attracts thousands of spectators from all over Russia and abroad.

As part of the celebration Svyatogorsk Fair, festivals of contemporary poetry and bard songs, amateur theater festivals, concerts of creative groups, literary and musical evenings as well as other events take place.

The State memorial history-literature and natural-landscape museum-reserve of A.S. Pushkin "Mikhailovskoye" under the Ministry of culture of Russian Federation is the unique monument of Russian culture of national significance. In the history of Russian culture such places as Mikhailovskoye, Trigorskoye, Petrovskoye, Svyaty Gory (in 1924 renamed as Pushkin Hills) are known as Pushkin memorable places connected with the life and creative activities of the great poet.

From the 30-s of the XIX century Mikhailovskoye was defined as poetic homeland of Pushkin. At the ancient land of Pskov region his poetic gift has strengthened, his genius has blossomed. The poet ashes are resting in peace at Svyatogorsk monastery.



The Inter-regional Festival of Culture "Semeysky Circle"

2014-06-06 — 2014-06-10

The folk celebrations
Region: Trans-Baikal region
Venue: Krasnochikoisk district
Phone: (3022) 35 44 84

Webpage: чикой.забайкальскийкрай.рф

The first cultural festival of "semeysky" (family) people – the descendants of the Old Believers – "Semeysky circle" was held in 2012.

The main aim of the festival is to preserve and promote traditional folk culture of "semeysky", particular ethnic and religious group of Russians, recognized by UNESCO as part of the world cultural heritage.

During the festival the reconstruction of "Trinity" ritual is held as well as presentation of folk groups and their performances at song, children, folklore-gamimg and sports sites.

Scientific and practical conferences, master classes, exhibitions and fairs of products of applied and decoartive arts are planned.

The festival is timed to coincide with the Trinity celebration that is held in interesting and original way at the territory of Trans-Baikal area till our days.



The IV Festival-Presentation of Tourist Resources of Volga Federal District "Open up Volga Region"

2014-06-06 — 2014-06-08

Exhibitions and forums Region: Orenburg region

City: Orenburg

Venue: Sports and cultural complex "Orenburzhye"

Phone: (3532) 38 17 38, (3532) 38 17 30

Webpage: www.open-volga.ru

The aim of the festival is to promote inbound and domestic tourism at the territory of the regions in Volga Federal District (VFD) and assist inter-regional tourism relations.

The objectives of the festival are:

- To draw public attention to tourism resources of the territories within VFD
- To introduce traditions and culture of all regions of VFD, modern tourism and hospitality industry of each region to the festival participants
- Establish business contacts between subjects involved in the development of inbound and domestic tourism at the territory of VFD
- The exchange of professional experience in the field of tourism and hospitality
- Integration and consolidation of the travel industry participants in the development of domestic and inbound tourism at the territory of VFD
- Raising the professional level of travel industry representatives
- Increase investment activity in VFD travel industry
- Assist in the improvement of social status and importance of occupations related to travel industry
- The formation of a single information field of tourism development at the territory of VFD.



Siberian Trophy-Raid "Dirty Games"

2014-06-06 — 2014-06-08

Sport events

Region: Krasnoyarsk region

Venue: The village of Istok, Sukhobuzimsk District, Krasnoyarsk

territory

Phone: (391) 297 79 39

Webpage: www.sosedovevent.ru www.visitsiberia.info

"Dirty Games" are held since 2009. Given the fact that each year the organizers choose the route in new district of the region, the participants of the trophy-raid and the fans have a great opportunity not only to enjoy the competition, but also to relax surrounded by like-minded people and Siberian nature.

Participants and guests of the event include business owners, managers of successful enterprises and middle-level managers of large companies - people who have professionally realized themselves and show great respect to family values and high quality of leisure.

For relatives and friends of participants of sports disciplines mass cultural programe is organized. Friendly atmosphere implies family outdoors vacation and peaceful socializing among old friends and new

acquaintances.

The traditional evening entertainments of "Dirty Games" have long become a legend among trophy-raids' followers. The event may serve as a platform for teambuilding or informal meetings with clients, colleagues and business partners. In 2012, "Dirty Games" have received the status of the largest tourist-sports festival in Siberia.



The Inter-regional Festival of Tourist Brands "Visit to Berendey"

2014-06-07

Other festivals and celebrations

Region: Yaroslavl region **City:** Pereslavl-Zalessky **Webpage:** adm.pereslavl.ru

Pereslavl-Zalessky is the city of fairy tales and legends, ancient stories and myths.

According to the one of the ancient stories, once in Pereslavl area the militant tribes, called "berendey", were living. They were on the service of Russian princes. Berendey were ruled by fair and kind king Berendey, known to many due to the fairy tale by A.N. Ostrovsky "Snow Maiden". That beautiful legend has got its continuation in the tourism project "The House of Berendey", where in well decorated chambers the legendary king lives.

By the adopted tradition, each year in early June the fairy tale characters from all over Russia come to the king Berendey to meet Russian summer.

The event features dramatized presentations of brands, master classes on artistic painting of toys, blacksmithing, pottery and glass craft as well as exciting contests.



The III International Festival of People Creativity "Accordion Sounds over Bityug"

2014-06-07 — 2014-06-08

Arts festivals

Region: Lipetsk region

Venue: Dobrin area, the village of Talitskiy Chamlyk **Phone:** (4742) 27 46 26, (4742) 34 57 30, (47462) 2 13 37

Webpage: festival-na-bitiuge.ru

"Accordion Sounds over Bityug" is the celebration of people creativity, Russian accordion and humorous folk verses that will let participants and guests to embrace people's culture, show creative achievements and performance art, experience pride for the creativity of your people, feel yourself as the delegate of your original and unique place of residence.

The festival is aimed at the preservation, revitalization and promotion of folk art.

Accordion soloists and creative teams from regions of Chernozemye will perform at the open air stages at the picturesque riverside of the river Bityug in the village of Talitskiy Chamlyk.

The festival programme features concerts, master classes held by the best accordion players of Russia, Russian ritual traditions, games, round dances and fair.



The XXIX Pushkin Festival "Thee, as the first love, the heart of Russia will not forget"

2014-06-07

Literary holidays

Region: Leningrad region

Venue: Gatchina area: the villages of Suyda, Kobrino, Vyra,

Rozhdestveno, Siversky **Phone:** (81371) 20 558

Webpage: vk.com/club24010971

The festival programme features folk celebrations, the fairs of folk crafts, theatrical performances based on the works of A.S. Pushkin, concerts, competitions on the theme of Pushkin creations, excursions around Pushkin places.



The 215-th Anniversary of the Birth of A.S. Pushkin

2014-06-07 — 2014-06-08

Literary holidays

Region: Nizhny Novgorod region **Venue:** The village of Bolshoye Boldino

On June 6 the whole country celebrates the 215-th anniversary of the birth of A.S. Pushkin.

The village of Bolshoye Boldino in Nizhny Novgorod region is the significant place in the biography of Pushkin, Russian literature and modern life, too.

The celebration of Russian literature will be held at the place in a special way! On June 7-8 the XXXXVIII All-Russia Pushkin poetry festival will take place that, by tradition, will be attended both by well- and little-known writers as well as students, teachers, artists - all those who cherish the name of A.S. Pushkin.



«Time and Epochs. 1914/2014»

2014-06-07 — 2014-06-08

Historical reconstructions

Region: Moscow City: Moscow

Venue: The museum-reserve Kolomenskoye

Phone: (495) 690 77 11, (925) 589 54 41, (495) 215 29 26 **Webpage:** временаиэпохи.рф www.mgomz.ru/kolomenskoe

The Fourth International historical festival "Time and epochs" brings Muscovites and tourists in the early twentieth century, the epoch of revolutions, the First World War and the heyday of Russian culture.

The guests of the event will be able to visit each of six major historical sites - "Aristocracy", "Proletariat", "City", "Village", "Fair" and "The Great War".

The museum-reserve Kolomenskoye on June 7 and 8 will host people's celebrations, meanwhile a fair, the first Russian cinematography, journalists' bureau, underground printing house, fashion ateliers and showrooms will open.

One may see vintage cars and motorcycles, take a photo or order a portrait in the style of the early XX century as well as test one's force in Russian wrestling in Ivan Poddubny tournament or with own hands create a souvenir in the way of household item.

The launch of kites and the festival of strawberries will take place within the project, too.

At military site the camp of the European armies is deployed, the series of battle occurs that reconstruct the battles dated back to various years of the First World War.

The guests have opportunity to become full-fledged participants of all festivities by buying costume in advance in Interent-shop and transforming themselves into citizens, workers, peasants and soldiers who were living a hundred years ago!



"The Day of Egoryev Dew"

2014-06-07 — 2014-08-01

The folk celebrations Region: Vladimir region City: Yuriev-Polsky

Venue: The district center of culture and leisure

Phone: (49246) 2 21 63

St. George in Russia was considered to be the protector of livestock, agriculture and shepherds, exactly to him requests to protect the flock during pasturage and heal it in case of diseases were addressed.

Household owners, when the livestock was brought to the meadows, have treated shepherds to a hearty mundane fried-eggs. At the festivity for shepherds all villagers had fun.

In many places of Russia at Egoryev day a fair was organized. Peasants were pulling out celebrations late into the night, singing songs that were always ending with choruses asking to safeguard their herd. Yarilo-Egory is respected as the patron saint of brides, that is why at that day girls go dressed casually and call to Yarilo pleading to send them good figure.

The folk celebration "The Day of Egoryev Dew" is presented in interesting, informative and playful way, tourists get acquainted with folk hero Egory, trace his relations with the history of the town of Yuriev-Polsky that was founded in 1152 by Yury (Georgy, Egory) Dolgoruky in honour of his spiritual patron Georgy the Victory-bringer.

Guests will learn in what way the day was remarkable for a peasant, get acquainted with rituals, play outdoors the national games.

One may not at the day do without the sounds of a shepherd horn, *dudochek* (pipes), bells and accordion, wonderful sounds of round dance songs.

The performance of boys playing on horns is mesmerizing. Nobody will stay indifferent to the old Russian wedding ceremony, competition "Braid bride's hair", ring dance "through the rings of love", games at "Kissing bridge" and "Shop of reconciliation", the ritual of washing with spring water.



The Tourism Fair "The Celebration of Vyazma Honey Cake"

2014-06-08

Fairs

Region: Smolensk region

City: Vyazma

Phone: (48131) 4 16 65

Webpage: www.kultura.admin-smolensk.ru www.visitsmolensk.ru

Vyazma Honey Cake is the tourist brand of Smolensk region. The fair that is held during the days of Trinity and the City Day of Vyazma is accompanied by an extensive entertainment programme.

The business programme includes the presentation of tourist resources of the region areas, the discussion of business proposals and the development of an overall plan of activities to advertise and promote the Eastern tourism cluster at the regional and All-Russia tourist market.



The International Folklore Celebration "Trinity Round Dances in Orel Polesye"

2014-06-08

The folk celebrations Region: Orel region

Venue: Hotynets area, the settlement of Zhudre, the National Park

"Orel Polesye"

Phone: (4862) 59 00 13

Webpage: www.tourism-orel.ru

The celebration that takes place on the Day of the Holy Trinity by the Orthodox calendar imparts the knowledge of the culture and traditions of Slavic people against the background of the unique nature of Orel Polesye.

Tourists can be inspired by the atmosphere of Russian celebration with round dances, treats at farmsteads and aromatic tea brewed on Polesye herbs. Tourists may visit the "City of Masters" where folk craftsmen demonstrate their products and offer everybody willing to try his hand in the ancient crafts to deal with pottery, toy making, braiding from wicker and herbs, traditional painting.

Walks in the national park "Orel Polesye" will be of pleasure, too.



Tatar National Celebration "Sabantuy"

2014-06-08

The folk celebrations
Region: Republic of Tatarstan

Venue: The municipal bodies of the Republic of Tatarstan

Phone: (843) 264 74 01

Webpage: prav.tatar.ru mincult.tatarstan.ru

The spectacular and original celebration is held annually in all municipal areas and city districts of the Republic of Tatarstan, in a number of regions of Russian Federation and in foreign countries, too.

Sabantuy is the national celebration of Tatar, Bashkir and Chuvash people. Its name is translated from Turk languages as "wedding (celebration) of the plough" – "saban" means "plough" and "tuy" means "celebration, wedding". The symbols of Sabantuy are "maidan" (round-shaped place) and folk games – climbing the pole, sack races, tug-of-war, weightlifting, running with buckets full of water on a beam, fighting on a log by bags stuffed with straw.

As at any folklore celebration part of events is of semi-comic nature. The highlight of the day is the national wrestling – "kuresh", when two wrestlers grasp each other's belt and try to knock an opponent down to the ground.

The *batyr* of Sabantuy – the strongest wrestler – is awarded with live sheep. As a token of special honour and respect batyr is presented by embroidered towel.

Horse races and the game "yaulyk alu" – when a horse rider has to, not slowing down the pace, on a go, catch a scarf hanging on a tree and embroidered by Tatar girls for Sabantuy specially – are always favoured by spectators. Sabantuy usually takes place in three stages. On the first Saturday of June, by the end of spring planting, the celebration is held in villages and settlements of the Republic, in a week's time – in big cities of Tatarstan and yet a week later – in the capital of the Republic.

Recently hosting of Sabantuy celebration has spread throughout Russia, the event is held even in Moscow and St. Petersburg, though the celebration in Kazan is, of course, the most important one.



The Regional Folklore Holiday "Trinity"

2014-06-08

The folk celebrations Region: Volgograd region

Venue: Kotelnikovsky district, the village of Pugachevskaya

Phone: (84476) 3 28 85

Annually the village of Pugachevskaya attracts hundreds of people from all over the region and neighbouring regions to one of the favourite holidays of Russian people - the Day of the Holy Trinity.

The village of Pugachevskaya is original Cossack village, the home place of Cossack chieftains (*atamans*) Stepan Razin, Emelyan Pugachev and Vasily General, where the orthodox and Cossack traditions are honoured.



The V Art Festival "War and Peace"

2014-06-08 — 2014-06-17

Arts festivals Region: Sevastopol

Webpage: www.sevastopol-fest.com

The V Art Festival "War and Peace" dedicated to the 70-th anniversary of the liberation of the city Sevastopol will take place this summer in the Hero-city.

Sevastopol International Art Festival "War and Peace" is held annually since 2010 with the support by Sevastopol City State Administration, Ministry of Culture, Theatre Union of Russia, Black Sea Fleet commandment and the public of the city.

In 2014, within the frames of the festival of arts "War and Peace" it is scheduled on June 8 to hold the Solemn opening ceremony of the festival on the parade ground of Mikhaylovsky battery involving participation of young stars of Moscow opera stage and Russian Symphony Orchestra.

From June 12 to 17 during the celebration of Independence Day of Russia and the City day it is planned to hold the festival of military bands of all navies of Russia and CIS countries.

The festival programme also features the presentation of literary and musical project "The Great Russian Word" with the participation of People's Artist of Russia AllaDemidova and symphony orchestra.



The XIII All-Russia Festival of "Play, the accordion!" Named After G. Zavolokin

2014-06-09 — 2014-06-13

Arts festivals

Region: Ivanovo region

City: Ivanovo

Phone: (4932) 58 99 45, 58 99 48

Webpage: ivkult.ru

The festival-contest is held since 1988 every two years. The festival-contest organizers are: the Ministry of culture of Russian Federation, State Russian House of people's ats, the Department of culture and cultural heritage of Ivanovo region; Ivanovo regional coordination and methodical center of culture and creativity.

From 2006, the festival "Play, the accordion!" bears the name of Gennady Dmitrievich Zavolokin, the outstanding accordion player, People's Artist of Russia.

The extensive programme of the festival includes contest auditions, presentations of participants at concert sites of towns and villages of the region, gala concert of the laureates, folk festivity and a farewell bonfire.

The aim of the festival is to facilitate the development of national musical performances, to widely promote the art of playing the accordion and other instruments in traditional forms of folk music making.



Turgenev Celebration at Dvoryanka

2014-06-10

Literary holidays Region: Orel region

City: Orel

Venue: The square of Dvoryanskoye gnezdo **Webpage:** www.музей-тургенева.рф

By the end of the passing summer day the residents and visitors of the city are invited to get better acquaintance with the life and creative activity of the great master of words Ivan Sergeevich Turgenev, enjoy the sounds of beautiful music and theatrical performance, savour the view of the city so poetically described in the works of the writer. By tradition the celebration takes place in the most picturesque location of the city of Orel – at Dvoryanskoye gnezdo (Nobleman seat). Exactly here in 1903 to the memory of Turgenev and his most Orel novel the public garden Dvoryanskoye gnezdo was opened.

The garden used to be the place of leisure and enjoyment of various kinds of arts for grown-ups and the site of fun and games for children.

Turgenev celebration recreates the atmosphere that once prevailed in the garden Dvoryanskoye gnezdo, fills it with Turgenev text and combines with modern realities.

The festival programme features: performances of dance, theater and folk groups and a brass band. Also at the festival one may see traditional costumes and dances of the XIX century, take boat trips, visit the exhibition of folk crafts.



The VIII International Film Festival named after Andrey Tarkovsky "The Mirror"

2014-06-10 — 2014-06-15

Arts festivals

Region: Ivanovo region

Venue: Ivanovo, Plyos, Yuryevets, Kineshma, Shuya

Phone: (4932) 30 14 26

Webpage: www.tarkovskyfest.ru

The festival is dedicated to the modern indie movies. This year the emphasis will be put on the women theme in films – each year more and more women filmmakers appear in the world who assert themselves as bright creators. Some of them are inspired by the works of Andrey Tarkovsky. Exactly those makers are invited by the festival committee to come to the festival in 2014.

The programme includes the competition, retrospectives, the panorama of Russian and foreign movies, animation. The video art programme this year will be jointly organized with Moscow Institute of Contemporary Art. The presentation of the movie "Hard to be a god" will become the special event of the festival.

Some 25 thousand people annually participate in the festival events (film showing, artistic meetings, opening and awarding ceremonies, creative programmes).



The Birthday of the Prince Alexander Nevsky (The Day of Russia, the City Day of Pereslavl-Zalessky)

2014-06-12

Other festivals and celebrations

Region: Yaroslavl region **City:** Pereslavl-Zalessky **Webpage:** adm.pereslavl.ru

Pereslavl is the birthplace of the Holy right-believing Prince, the prominent Russian politician Alexander Nevsky. On the day at the city squares festive activities take place. Traditionally the celebrations begin at the Red Square near the temple where the young prince has been baptized.

The city guests will see the celebration divine services, concert, improvised fightings by the Prince Alexander warriors, interactive historical programmes.



The III International Festival of Extreme Sports, Recreation and Tourism «EXTREMEX. Independence"

2014-06-12 — 2014-06-15

Other festivals and celebrations

Region: Moscow City: Moscow

Venue: Sokolniky park

Webpage: www.extreme-expo.com www.sokolniki.com

The International festival of affordable and elite kinds of extreme sports, recreation and tourism EXTREMEX today is the main extreme festival in Moscow held in park.

The event embraces championships, interactive master-classes, learning programmes, concerts.

The exposition includes nine thematic sections: Landscape Extreme, Water Extreme, Snow Extreme, Air Extreme, Motor Extreme, Fashion Extreme, Digital Extreme, Travel Extreme, Health Extreme.

The main entertainment element of the festival is moto freestyle show.

The purpose of the event is to promote extreme sports, recreation and tourism, facilitate healthy lifestyle, demonstrate the achievements of the world industry of extreme sports.



The International Festival of Folk Artistic Crafts "The Secrets of Masters"

2014-06-12

Other festivals and celebrations Region: Nizhny Novgorod region

City: Nizhny Novgorod Phone: (831) 430 79 92

Webpage: nnwelcome.ru nn-grad.ru

The main participants of the festival are the masters of decorative and applied arts of Nizhny Novgorod region and other regions of the country.

At the exhibition and sale one may purchase author's items and try to create his or her own piece that will be author's one as well.

At the festival creative teams of people of the world and students from different countries will perform. The festival of national cultures will take place, too. In the evening balloons will fly to the sky.

Folk artistic crafts and highlights of Nizhny Novgorod will appear in front of the guests as ciluniray delights. The exhibition and tasting of herbal teas, the fair of confectionery products and goods for tea-drinking will take place as well.



The III International Festival of Orthodox Spiritual Music, Poetry and Folk Creativity "The Sacred Springs"

2014-06-12

Arts festivals

Region: Lipetsk region

City: Zadonsk

Phone: 8(47471) 2-38-57, 8-951-309-58-27

Zadonsk is the town of the great Christian spiritual traditions. The city has acquired the fame to be the spiritual center - "Russian Jerusalem", theta fact has coincided with the glorification of St. Tikhon who has bound his life with the town. He has lived his last years and wrote his major works in Zadonsk monastery, built on the site of an ancient cloister. Until now the springs cleared by the hands of St. Tikhon continue to function, encouraging and healing people. The main aims of the festival are to popularize the Orthodox traditional and modern music and poetry; mutually enhance cultural traditions of the inhabitants living in the area; identify and support gifted composers and original creative collectives, poets, musicians, amateur theaters.

The event includes competition of installations on the theme of sacred springs, exhibition and sale of items of applied and decorative arts, religious literature and objects of Orthodox culture as well as master classes and the exhibition "Yurievskaya ceramics" – the winning project of 2014 All-Russia competition of small towns and villages run by the charitable foundation "Cultural mosaic".



The Interregional Song Festival "Peledysh ayo"

2014-06-12

The folk celebrations Region: Mari El Republic Venue: The village of Siukhino Phone: (83632) 7 15 39

Webpage: www.raycultura12.ru

The mountainous area of the Republic of Mari El each year heartly welcomes guests of interregional song festival "Peledysh ayo" that is held since 2002 and became traditional and widely loved holiday.

Large joined choir unites followers of art song, people of different occupations and ages.

Each year, Singing clearing is blooming from the abundance of festive colourful national costumes.

"The city of masters" welcomes guests by exhibition and fair of items of applied and decorative arts. The exhibition of children's drawings and crafts takes place, too.

Entertaining game activities are held at children playground, where ride atractions operate as well. Sports ground hosts various competitions, folk games, funs.



The Day of Russia at Kulikovo Field

2014-06-12

Other festivals and celebrations

Region: Tula region

Venue: The village of Monastyrshchino, Kimovsk district

Phone: (4872) 36 28 34 **Webpage:** www.kulpole.ru

For many people in Central Russia is has become the tradition to celebrate the country main state holiday at Kulikovo Field – at the first battle field of Russia.

The Day of Russia at Kulikovo field is the great opportunity to get acquainted with the historical and cultural heritage of Tula region and take part in the celebrations held in the village of Monastyrshchino as well as at Krasny Holm (Red Hill). The itinerary of events includes:

- the tournament of the athletes of power extreme "The games of bogatyrs (warriors)"
- concert programme
- Krasnokholmskaya summer fair
- solemn farewell to recruits of Russian Army at Kulikovo Field



The international celebration of Russia folk craftsmen

2014-06-12 — 2014-06-15

The folk celebrations Region: Arkhangelsk region

City: Kargopol

Phone: (81841) 2 16 39

Webpage: www.vk.com/club46707862 www.pomorland.travel

The folk craftsman is the main character at the celebration. All activities take place around him. The celebration is held in Kargopol since 1991 and attracts hundreds of artists, experts in traditional crafts as well as creative teams from various parts of Russia, Norway, Sweden, Finland.

The celebration of craftsmen in Kargopol started with the revival of crafts, each year is getting nearer to theme of "House", "Family", the development of moral values of folk culture, arrangement of aspects of life.

The theme of the celebration in 2014 is "The she-keeper of traditions". In time of the celebration the conference "The arts of Kargopol woman masters" will take place; the exhibition of products of traditional women's crafts; the competition of fairy tales' tellers dedicated to the 125-th anniversary of U.I. Babkina – the skilled master of Kargopol clay toys and "big lover to dwell upon fiary tales' stories"; master classes on Kargopol quadrille and many other educational and entertainment activities will be held, too.



XXXVIII Ilmensky Festival of Bard Songs

2014-06-13 — 2014-06-15

Arts festivals

Region: Chelyabinsk region

City: Miass

Phone: (351) 261 87 18
Webpage: www.culture-chel.ru

Ilmensky festival of bard songs is one of the highlights of mass cultural events in the Urals. It takes place in the open air and each year attracts thousands of people not only from Russia but from many other countries, as well.



The Regional Festival of Vepsian culture "The Tree of Life"

2014-06-13

The folk celebrations
Region: Leningrad region

Venue: Podporozhsk area, the village of Vinnitsy, "Vepsian center of

folklore"

Phone: (81365) 75 171

Webpage: vk.com/club17333425

Vepsian folk festival-celebration "The Tree of Life" is held annually.

The festival represents interlacement of pagan holidays with modern celebration that involves representatives of the indigenous people of the north and north-east part of Leningrad region – Vepsians, Finns, Karelians as well as national ensembles from Leningrad and Vologda regions, the Republic of Karelia.

The programme includes competitions, shows, dramatized village gatherings, master classes and excursions. At the celebration the opportunity is offered for horseback riding, fishing, cookong of catched trout and dining in summer cafe at the bank of the river Ojaty.



The XXVI Balmont readings

2014-06-13 — 2014-06-14

Literary holidays Region: Ivanovo region

City: Shuya

Webpage: balmontoved.ru

In the town of Shuya, Ivanovo region, Balmont readings are held annually.

Balmont meeting is the event for thinking and feeling of Russia. In the readings' programme scientific and practical conference "The cosmoss of Balmont: worlds and people," an exhibition of paintings and graphics by E. Belyutin "Alternative Reality", round table "The poet homeland – the project of architectural concept of memorialization of Balmont places in Ivanovo region", literary and musical programme "Balmont bonfire", regional poetry festival-contest "The planet of Konstantin Balmont" and award ceremony of All-Russia literary prize named after K.D Balmont "Let us be like Sun" are planned.



The Folklore Ritual "The Funeral of Stroma"

2014-06-13 — 2014-06-15

The folk celebrations

Region: Nizhny Novgorod region

City: Pervomaysk

Venue: The village of Shutilovo **Webpage:** nnwelcome.ru

The areas located far from center and reserved ones are often the keepers of cultural heritage and national identity. For example, in the city of Pervomaysk in Nizhny Novgorod region the ritual dating back to pagan past – the Funeral of Stroma – has survived in almost intact form. The ritual exists only in very few areas of Russia and is listed in the "Red Book of folklore".

By the ritual the locals say farewell to spring. They traditionally come together to dress up the stuffed Stroma, then three-day long festivities begin. At first, Stroma is in good health, "she" meets guests coming to see "her", everybody have fun, sing songs. On the second day "she" is "sick", on the third one – "she dies". At this point the culmination of the ceremony takes place: with songs Stroma doll is carried into a field and torn to pieces – that should bring a rich harvest.

The ritual draws attention not only of Russian folklorists, but also experts from other countries: British and French specialists have visited the place.

Each year the event brings together those who are interested in real, "not polished" ceremonial side of the life of Russian people.



The International Festival of the New Urban Culture "Art-Ravine"

2014-06-13 — 2014-06-15

Other festivals and celebrations Region: Nizhny Novgorod region

City: Vyksa

Webpage: artovrag-fest.ru nnwelcome.ru

The festival breaks the stereotypes of quiet and lovely province. In 2014 the festival will take place for the 4-th time, by tradition it involves its audience into creative process.

The entire city in the days of the festival converts into one large creative laboratory: theater, music, architecture, visual arts, sports, dance - all that in a modern view of domestic and foreign masters.

Yet, the main area is the park. There vocal contests, various master-classes and circus performance will be held. At the same place dance-zone will be organized where professional dancers and choreographers will teach spectators the moves of breakdance, hip-hop, salsa and even Argentine tango.

At outdoor sites Russian and foreign experts will discuss contemporary art.

Vyksa will show a good example how to change the space around oneself and prove that the "street art is the way to feel the surrounding world, make the city and one's yard truly his "own".



The International Music Festival of Root Cultures of World People "The Wild Mint"

2014-06-13 — 2014-06-15

Arts festivals

Region: Kaluga region

Venue: Borovsky District, the village of Petrovo, the cultural and

educational center "Ethnomir" **Phone:** (495) 627 51 90

Webpage: www.mintmusic.ru www.ethnomir.ru

During six years of the festival history, the brightest stars of world music and almost all Russian artists whose art addresses the root music have performed at "The Wild Mint": Goran Bregovic (Serbia), Katzenjammer (Norway), Nino Katamadze (Georgia), Varttina (Finland), Tonino Carotone (Spain), Oquestrada (Portugal), Ivan Kupala and Inna Zhelannaya, Zdob si Zdub (Moldova), Budzillus (Germany), Billy's Band, Daha Braha, Sunsay, Egari (Georgia), John Forte (USA) and many others.

This year, the performance of the world-class star, British artist Alex Clare – the author of the song «Too Close», which video has enjoyed over 50 million views, will become one of the main events of the festival. At the festival the international project «N.O.H.A.», the Latvians from «Brainstorm», «Surganova and Orchestra", the Georgians from «Mgzavrebi», the group «Therr Maitz», the finalist of the show "The Voice" the singer Tina and several dozen groups more from all over the planet will perform.

The project is multiformat one, in addition to strong musical component the programme features the film festival, street theater performances, the festival of world cuisine, the territory of healthy lifestyle and respectful attitude to the environment, the fair of folk crafts and farm products.



The Event Dedicated to the 1125-th Anniversary of Islam Adoption by Volga Bulgars

2014-06-14

Other festivals and celebrations Region: Republic of Tatarstan

City: Bolgar

Venue: GBUK "Bolgar State historical and architectural museum-reserve"

Phone: (84347) 3 04 56 **Webpage:** bolgar-muzey.ru

"Izge Bolgar zhyeny" is the event of international level that brings together Muslims of the country at the birthplace of Islam in Russia and revives the forgotten traditions of respectful attitude towards the history of own people and religion. Every year the event attracts some 50,000 people – the residents of the Republic of Tatarstan, visitors and pilgrims from various countries.



The International Festival "Wheel extravaganza" in the Memory of L.L. Shamshurenkov

2014-06-14

Other festivals and celebrations

Region: Kirov region

City: Yaransk

Venue: Yaransk district, the city of Yaransk

Phone: (83367) 2 13 08

Webpage: vk.com/feeriya43ru mo-yaransk.ru

A self-taught inventor Leonty Shamshurenkov was born, lived and worked at Vyatka land in Yaransk county. He has become famous in 1741 due to his invention of "self-running carriage" - the prototype of the modern car. According to scientists, exactly that mechanism of "self-running carriage" was the impetus for the development of car industry. The inventor has adopted the most appropriate pedal drive system for his machine. Only 30 years later it was repeated and further developed in the designs of "self-runners" of I. Kulibin and the bicycle of S. Artamonov. The festival programme unrolls at the main square and streets of the city as well as at the area for drag racing. The most interesting activities of the festival include the presentation of works by masters and inventors of "The Miracle of Technics", the exhibition and contest "Autoexotics", drag races, concert and entertainment program "Run , the wheel", "The battle of automechanics", parade- show "The Wheel of History".

For the youngest spectators and their parents a whole range of activities is prepared: the festival of prams "My first car", the contest of drawings on asphalt "My car", "Our family car", children drag racing by electric cars.

The festival quests may get acquainted with the sights of the historic city, visit Yaransk region history museum.



The XI International Festival of Folk Artistic Crafts "Golden Khokhloma"

2014-06-14 — 2014-06-15

Arts festivals

Region: Nizhny Novgorod region

City: Semenov

"Golden Khokhloma" is the most noisy and merry event in Nizhny Novgorod region!

Masters and spectators arrive to it from different parts of Russia as well as Belarus, Uzbekistan, Iran, Estonia, Japan. It is the distinctive feature of the festival to present arts and crafts of different countries and people.

One will be able to compare how masters from various parts of Russia process wood, bone, stone, fabric – in the days of the festival the city will turn into one large creative workshop.

During the event all cultural institutions of the city will have an open door day. At the factory "Khokhlomskaya rospisy" one may observe the miracle of the birth of golden khokhloma.

In the museum and tourist center "Golden khokhloma" everyone may try a hand at painting matryoshka dolls while matryoshkas from all over Russia will gather in History and Art Museum.

At other places various exhibitions of unique works of wood, stone will be present.

For children entertaining playground will operate with rides, trampolines, merry-go-round and interactive programmes. For representatives of all generations folklore ensembles will be performing, in the evening guests and participants will be introduced to the rhythms of the world at etno-discotheque.



Ritter Weg

2014-06-14

Historical reconstructions

Region: Moscow region

Venue: Sergiev Posad district, the village of Morozovo

Phone: (495) 215 29 26, (968) 361 34 23 **Webpage:** www.ratobor.com vk.com/ritterweg

Translated from German language "Ritter Weg" means "The way of Knight".

This is the festival-carnival where colourful events of the romantic, cruel and beautiful XIII century unfold.

According to the legend, in 1246, at the grounds of the county that lies on the border of Holy Roman Empire nationwide festivities were announced and knights' tournament was set.

The occasion of the event was the wedding of the only son of Count and a girl of noble birth from northern Russian lands.

The festival invites to go by the knight way, master seven virtues; take a photo in the entourage and costumes of medieval Europe in the camp of a feudal lord; learn how to operate a battering ram in the park of siege machines; watch foot fights – demonstrational group battles of infantry and tournament of dismounted knights, array on array. The most striking sight of the festival will be an equestrian knights' tournament. The best knights will demonstrate their equestrian skills and "brake their spears" in fierse fights in honour of beautiful ladies, their master and to the delight of the reputed audience.

The guests of the event will also see performances of street theaters, vagabond artists and folk musicians, master classes, where one may train important occupation of armour-bearer and medieval healer.



The IX International Festival of Arts "Larissa Gergieva Meets Her Guests"

2014-06-15 — 2014-07-05

Arts festivals

Region: Republic of North Ossetia-Alania

City: Vladikavkaz

Venue: The National State Opera and Ballet Theatre

Phone: (8672) 50 15 81 **Webpage:** mkrso-a.ru

The traditional celebration of harmony and beauty, star names and bright stage projects is not only one of the most fascinating "creative brands" of Vladikavkaz, yet it also makes quite considerable resonance to All-Russia cultural space and areas beyond this country.



The Celebration of Mari culture "Ustalykchinchysher"

2014-06-15

Other festivals and celebrations Region: Nizhny Novgorod region

Venue: The village of Tonkino, the House of Culture

Webpage: nnwelcome.ru

In Nizhny Novgorod region for centuries motley national and confessional picture was evolving, the people of the XXI century have become the heirs to it.

Finno-Ugric tribes were the first inhabitants of the region – Mordovians and Mari, many geographical names in the region have Mordovian or Mari origin.

Those people have kept their traditions and with pleasure introduce them to the residents and guests of Nizhny Novgorod region during celebrations.

Inter-regional festival of artistic creativity "Ustalykchinchysher" ("Abundance of Talents") is held as part of the project to preserve cultural traditions of Mari people.

The festival programme features folk songs with dances, national games and competitions, tasting of the dishes of Mari cuisine. In the People's Regional History museum the exhibition dedicated to the culture and life of the Mari is opened.



The IV International Theatre Festival "The Academy"

2014-06-16 — 2014-06-29

Arts festivals

Region: Omsk region

City: Omsk

Venue: Omsk State Academic Drama Theatre, Omsk Musical Theatre

Phone: (3812) 24 40 65, (3812) 20 06 27

Webpage: www.academiafest.ru www.omskdrama.ru

This is one of the most anticipated theatrical events in Omsk region. For two weeks, the citizens of Omsk and visitors to the region will be presented with the brightest examples of theatrical art.

The programmes of the previous "The Academy" festivals held in Omsk in 2008, 2010 and 2012, featured such European theaters as "The Berliner Ensemble", Berlin theater "Shaubyune" (Germany), "The Comedie Francaise" (France), "Burgtheater" (Austria) as well as the well-known Russian teams – the Theatre of Nations, the Academic Theatre named after Evgeny Vakhtangov (Moscow), the Maly Drama Theatre – the Theatre of Europe (St. Petersburg) and other theaters.

"The Academy - 2014" playbill announces 14 performances of nine theaters of Russia and Europe.

The creative meetings with theatre teams, seminars and round tables with the participation of leading theater critics of the country will be held, too.



Kursk Korenskaya Fair

2014-06-18 — 2014-06-22

Fairs

Region: Kursk region

City: Kursk

Venue: Kursk (Central Russian Economic Forum), the village Svoboda,

Zolotukhinsky area (Kursk Korenskaya fair) **Phone:** (4712) 70 10 99, (4712) 56 86 27

Webpage: www.kya.reg-kursk.ru www.sef-kursk.ru

The programme of the annual inter-regional universal wholesale and retail Kursk Korenskaya fair includes the cross procession in honour of the revered icon of Mother of God "The Sign" of Kursk - Korennaya, organization of Middle Russia Economic Forum, exhibitions, fair of consumer goods.

Kursk Korenskaya fair is held in the town of Svoboda from the year 1618, in the XVIII-XX centuries it was among three largest trade fairs in Russia and served as an important point of European foreign trade. Korennaya isolated dwelling is situated nearby - the spiritual center of Orthodox Russia that twice a year during the cross procession is attended by thousands of pilgrims.



The Music Festival "The Summer in Tobolsk Kremlin"

2014-06-18 — 2014-06-20

Arts festivals

Region: Tyumen region

City: Tobolsk

Venue: Tobolsk Kremlin

Phone: (3452) 68 76 76, (3456) 24 65 95 **Webpage:** www.kulturatob.ru www.tgf.ru

The annual festival "The Summer in Tobolsk Kremlin" is held in the open air at Sofia courtyard of Tobolsk Kremlin. The prestigious event was started in 2006 by M.P. Mussorgsky opera "Boris Godunov".

The world-famous opera singer Dmitry Khvorostovsky is invited to participate in the festival in 2014. The grand concert of Khvorostovsky at Tobolsk land will be held on July 19. The new concert programme of the singer "The Songs of Soviet Composers" will be accompanied by the orchestra of the theater "The New Opera".

In the days of the festival the exhibition of products by masters of applied and decorative arts "The City of Masters" will take place as well as an open-air performance of Tobolsk Drama Theater named after P.P. Ershov, the Governor's Ball and sightseeing tours along the river of Irtysh.



The Republican Festival-Contest of Folklore Song Performers "The Voice of the Mountains"

2014-06-18

Arts festivals

Region: Chechen Republic

Venue: The village of Vedeno, District House of Culture of Vedeno

municipal area

Webpage: chech-folk.ru chechnya.gov.ru

"The Voice of the Mountains" contributes to the revival of the national singing and spiritual culture, promotes folk art and traditions, assists in fostering a sense of patriotism and love for the country, its culture and arts, folk traditions, customs and rituals.

The main objective of the festival-contest is to help teams and individual performers to express themselves, provide everyone with the opportunity to unleash their creative potential and improve performance skills of participants.



The XXXVI Moscow International Film Festival

2014-06-19 — 2014-06-28

Arts festivals
Region: Moscow
City: Moscow

Venue: Various sites around the city. The main site: the movie-house

"October"

Phone: (495) 725 26 22

Webpage: www.moscowfilmfestival.ru

Once again, the festival will showcase the achievements of Russian and foreign cinema. In 2013 the festival shows were attended by over 70 thousand people. The forecast for 2014 is 75 thousand people.



XXII All-Russia Bazhovsky Festival of Folk Arts

2014-06-20 — 2014-06-22

The folk celebrations
Region: Chelyabinsk region

City: Kyshtym

Phone: (351) 261 87 18

Webpage: www.culture-chel.ru

The celebration of folk creativity, decorative and applied arts, crafts. In time of the festival, contests and performances of folk groups, fairs of crafts and souvenirs are organized. Folklore programme let inhabitants of the region and tourists get acquainted with local rites and richness of national costumes.



The Festival of Author Songs "Ramon spring"

2014-06-20 — 2014-06-22

Arts festivals

Region: Voronezh region Venue: Ramon area Webpage: rodnik.bardv.org

The festival "Ramon Spring" is held with the prupose to support amateur musical and poetic creativity, develop bard movement in Voronezh region, nourish careful attitude to Russian language, educate people of high civic and moral qualities and promote healthy lifestyle.

All interested amateur authors (composers), performers of songs of known bards, ensembles (duets, trios, quartets, etc.) and poets with no age limit may take part in the festival.

Prerequisite condition is the performance of songs live (without phonograms) with accompaniment by acoustic instruments.

The festival is held at forest clearing near Stupinsk bridge - based on tourist rally principles.



"Scarlet Sails" - All-Russia Ball of School Graduates

2014-06-20 — 2014-06-21

Other festivals and celebrations

Region: Saint-Petersburg **City:** Saint Petersburg

Venue: Palace Square, Neva water area

Webpage: www.gov.spb.ru

The tenth jubilee anniversary ball of school graduates "Scarlet Sails" revived in 2005 on the initiative of St. Petersburg Administration and Joint Stock Bank "Russia" will take place on the night of June 20 to 21, 2014.

The event is one of the most important and spectacular celebrations in St. Petersburg and the hallmark of the city. By tradition, the appearance of the brig wiht scarlet sails on the river Neva will become the culmination of the event. Last year, more than 1.5 million people have become participants and guests of the celebration.

It is believed, that in addition to graduates of St. Petersburg (this year - 22 000) the guests from Pskov, Novgorod, Leningrad Region and some other regions will take part in the event, too.

To the festival the first Russian graduates from Crimea and Sevastopol are invited.

TV and radio broadcasting company "Petersburg" is responsible for the preparation and carrying out of the celebration, it is going to effect live television broadcast of the event at federal TV channel "Petersburg - Channel 5" as well. This year it is the 10-th anniverary of the "Scarlet sails" celebration revival, that is why special entertainment programme and surprises are prepared for the event guests.

Ivan Urgant and Olga Shelest will be anchor-persons of the celebration concert at Palace Square (starting at 21:00) that will feature popular among young people singers Sergey Lazarev, Slava, Paulina Gagarina, team "Discotheque Avaria", "B-2".

The stage design, decor, sound and visual effects, costumes, dance and acrobatics peroformances - all that will be created specially only for the anniversary show "Scarlet Sails" of 2014.

The celebration guests will see the spectacular 26-minute water and light-pyrotechnic show on the river Neva – it will start when the brig would appear, at 01:40.

Swedish sailing ship "Tre krunor" will take part in the event, too.

Its sailing to Neva water area is going to be accompanied traditionally by I. Dunaevsky overture, for the anniversary show an original music score is created, it will be performed by Variety and Symphonic Orchestra. Metro at the day of "Scarlet Sails" will operate around the clock.



The Art Project "The Break of Time"

2014-06-20

Exhibitions and forums

Region: The Republic of Crimea

City: Simferopol

Venue: The Central Museum of Tauris

Phone: +380990497403

Webpage:

www.facebook.com/events/715134575191371/?notif t=plan user joined

vk.com/razlom vremeni

"The Break of Time" is an experimental art project that calls for comprehension of the brief era of global changes through the integrity of creativity forms. Daria Lemtyuzhnikova has invited representatives of various occupations to identify the spirit of time, reveal it and make it comprehended and beautiful.

The project concept is based on the fact that we all exist at the break of time: in shaky clearance between stable past and an uncertain future. In that form of the present no man grasps the moving of time flow.

Yet, sometimes, in specific periods of history, people particularly acutely fell the break, the rupture in the fabric of temporal reality. Crimea has long been known as the land subject to the outbreaks of oversaturated time that knock people out of their routine flow of life. Exactly now there is such moment when new symbols are born – the pieces of art that define the image culture for many years of stability laying ahead.

The project is unusual, as it offers different ways to rethink the reality, creating the opportunity for a dialogue between various formats and creative approaches.



The International Folklore Festival "Twelve Keys"

2014-06-20 — 2014-06-21

The folk celebrations
Region: Tula region

Venue: The village of Sviridovo, Venev district of Tula region (The hole

of holy spring "Twelve Keys") **Phone:** (48745) 2 56 23 **Webpage:** www.veneva.ru

Each year in June the folklore festival "Twelve Keys" is held in Venev.

The festival is bright and colourful event that represents the traditional Russian folk arts.

The festival is accompanied by fair of items made by folk craftsmen. Its participants include guests from regions of the Central Federal District, foreign groups from Serbia, Bulgaria, Macedonia, Croatia, India.



The Republican National Celebration "Peledysh Payrem" ("The Celebration of Flowers")

2014-06-21

The folk celebrations Region: Mari El Republic City: Yoshkar-Ola Phone: (8362) 45 88 51

Webpage: rnmc-rme.ru mincult12.ru

The celebration is an integral part of the national culture of Mari people. It praises the peaceful labour, working people, serves to strengthen the national identity of the people, its unity, supports the idea of preserving the language, songs, dances, folk costume, promotes friendship among nations. The event programme features:

- Raising of flags
- Summing up of spring field works
- Concerts
- Sports
- Various competitions
- Attractions
- National games
- National cuisine.



The XII International Festival of Nettle

2014-06-21

Other festivals and celebrations

Region: Tula region

Venue: The village of Krapivna, Shchekino district

Phone: (48751) 71 118, (48751) 76 396 **Webpage:** www.krapivafest.ru ypmuseum.ru

The festive activities take place in the former county town – nowadays the village of Krapivna - in Tula region. The festival visitors will see "nettle battles" and they will be treated to dishes from nettle, too. Also, sale of souvenirs, master classes on folk art and sporting events will be offered.

The concert programme will include performances of music, dance and theatrical groups.



The Festival of early medieval culture / music and fight show "Knyazhya bratchina"

2014-06-21 - 2014-08-24

Historical reconstructions Region: Novgorod region City: Veliky Novgorod

Venue: The venue: Novgorod Kremlin, Rurikovo settlement; the village of Lubytino (territory of the Museum of living history "The Slavic Village

of the X-th century") **Phone:** (8162) 665806

Webpage: bratchina.nveche.ru reshenie53.ru

"Knyazhya bratchina" presents the opportunity to spend an evening on the ground connected with the emergence of Russian state, learn a great deal about the lives of our ancestors and try yourself in the role of a medieval citizen. Historical reconstruction adapted for tourist and traveler is the most promising direction of event tourism development. The festival comprises various options for the presentation of early medieval culture: an open-air camp for visits by tourists, martial competitions, folklore show (reconstruction of historical events, rituals under the open sky), concerts of medieval and folk /ethnic music. The festival has various historically significant locations, it is open to international participants and combines entertainment and educational functions.

The historical sites where the event is held: June 21 - Novgorod Kremlin (one of the oldest defensive structures of Russia, first mentioned in 1044, it has the territory with many historical and excursion places of interest, museums); July 5 - the village of Lubytino (one of the oldest centers of Novgorod region with a high concentration of archaeological monuments, the village of the X-th century); August 23 and 24 - Rurikovo settlement (one of the oldest settlements that is associated with the calling of Vikings).



The Regional Ecological and Local History Celebration "Khopersky dawns of Mikhail Sholokhov"

2014-06-21

Literary holidays

Region: Volgograd region

Venue: Kumylzhensky district, the village of Bukanovskaya **Phone:** (84462) 6 18 83, (84462) 6 51 81, (84462) 6 51 60

At the annual celebration in June everyone can feel himself as part of large, friendly and hospitable Cossack family. The guests will be met by "Funny maidan" with songs and ditties, hospitable table with traditional treats, festive fair, exciting games and contests.

Exactly at the place, in the old Cossack village of Bukanovskaya, Mikhail Sholokhov spent his youth and began to create the famous novel "And Quiet Flows the Don".

The village still preserves the identity and traditions of Don Cossacks.



The celebration of Myat-Sely in Ingushetia

2014-06-22

The folk celebrations

Region: Republic of Ingushetia **Venue:** Dzheyrakh region

To support the ancient tradition, each year in Ingushetia at the time of the summer solstice – on June 22 – the celebration of Myat-Sely is held with mass festivities, treats, dancing, folklore, ethnographic performances and climbing Stolovaya Mountain.

The celebration takes place at the foot of Stolovaya (Table) Mountain at medieval settlement Beyni in Dzheyrakh region of the Republic of Ingushetia.

Reaching the top of the sacred mountain Myat-Loam, at the altitude of 3000 meters, one experiences vivid impressions of the majestic beauty of offered panoramic view over mountain ranges, snow-capped peaks and plains of Central and Eastern Caucasus.



XX International Festival of Street Theatres

2014-06-23 — 2014-06-29

Arts festivals

Region: Arkhangelsk region

City: Arkhangelsk **Phone:** (8182) 65 21 43

Webpage: www.teatrpanova.ru/street

The festival of professional groups working in the genre of street theater is opened by spectacular carnival procession along the waterfront of Northern Dvina river. Tourists and citizens may daily free of charge visit performances and concerts of Russian and foreign performers. The geography of participants is represented by all continents. Master classes in theater arts, dance and mask-making are organized in the city at the time. On the last Sunday of June - Day of the City of Arkhangelsk - the final carnival takes place.

On the occasion of the jubilee in 2014, all theater groups are invited to participate in the celebration that, at least once in the last 20 years, were taking part in the festival on the streets of Arkhangelsk.



The International Theatre Festival "The Voices of History"

2014-06-24 — 2014-07-02

Arts festivals

Region: Vologda region

City: Vologda

Phone: (8-8172) 72 53 01 **Webpage:** cultinfo.ru

The festival "The Voices of History" has come into being in Vologda in 1991 as the show of performances of professional theaters in historical and architectural environment.

The unique ensemble of Vologda Kremlin is its main stage.

Over the years of the theater festival organization many famous and young Russian teams as well as theaters from abroad – Ukraine, Belarus, Italy, Greece, USA, Poland – have become the participants of "The Voices of History". Today the international project may be well called the "postcard" of Vologda region.

Applications and visual materials are accepted from theaters in two categories:

- Performances in historical and architectural environment in the open air;
- Theatrical performances in traditional theatre buildings complying with the main theme of the festival "Theatre and History."

Applications will be accepted until April 1, 2014.



The International Moto-rock Festival "Moto-Maloyaroslavets"

2014-06-25 — 2014-06-29

Other festivals and celebrations

Region: Kaluga region **City:** Maloyaroslavets

Venue: Maloyaroslavets district, the city of Maloyaroslavets, Ivanovsky

meadow, the floodplain of Luzha river

Phone: 499 375 20 14 Webpage: motofest.ru

"Moto-Maloyaroslavets» (The Russian Bike Week) is the large-scale festival dedicated to motorbikes, motorsports and music.

Tens of thousands of motorcyclists, bikers, musicians and guests of the festival gather in the traditional place on the last weekend of June. The festival was started in 1993, it has grown from the moto-festival organized by the magazine "Moto".

At the stage of moto-rock festival such groups as "Aria", "Alice", "The King and the Clown", "Lyapis Troubetskoy", musicians from Sweden, Germany and USA were performing.

The festival programme includes stunt show, moto sports events, fireworks and other entertainments that attract not only moto and car enthusiasts, but ordinary people, too, who like music, nature, sports and socializing.



The International Tourism Forum "The Agrotourism in Russia"

2014-06-26 — 2014-06-28

Exhibitions and forums Region: Republic of Buryatia

City: Ulan-Ude

Webpage: agrotur.infpol.ru

The business programme of the forum features an international scientific-practical conference "The Organic farming and agrotourism," round table discussions, meetings with experts, workshops, gastronomic festival, presentation of investment sites and successful projects, signing of cooperation agreements.

The forum participants will have the opportunity, together with experts, to get acquainted with tourist offers of the Republic of Buryatia, visit farms, rural guest houses, ethno-cultural complexes, participate in the gastronomic festival of national cuisine of Trans-Baikal territory, share experiences of sustainable development of rural areas, visit Verkhneudinsk fair and the City of masters.



The IV Moscow International Biennale of Young Arts

2014-06-26 — 2014-08-10

Exhibitions and forums

Region: Moscow
City: Moscow

Venue: The Museum of Moscow, National Centre for Contemporary Arts

(NCCA), Moscow Museum of Modern Arts (MMOMA)

Phone: (495) 699 65 53 **Webpage:** youngart.ru

One of the largest and most ambitious projects in the field of contemporary art will be held this summer in Moscow for the fourth time.

The biennale will bring together creative initiatives of the new generation of artists from Russia and abroad.

The leading museums and contemporary art centers in Moscow take part in the event preparation in cooperation with regional and international partners.

The project draws the intent attention of critics, curators and other members of the professional community and the general public – of all those who care about the future of arts.

One of the main objectives set by the Biennale of young arts is to open new names of young painters.

The project gives a chance to representatives of new generation to make connections and develop creative interaction with professional artistic commmunity.

This year the chief curator of the project will be David Elliott, curator, writer and museum consultant. For the IV Moscow International Biennale of young arts David Elliott has selected the theme "The Time to dream" – as the symbol of chronic insecurity of our time and acute aspirations of young and all future generations to dream in order to overcome the boundaries of "things as they are" and improve the world.

The main project of the Biennale in 2014 will be presented at the Museum of Moscow. Also in conjunction with the museum the Biennale education programme will be organized.

National Centre for Contemporary Arts (NCCA) and Moscow Museum of Modern Arts (MMOMA) will become the sites for strategic projects of the Biennale.

The founders: the Ministry of culture of Russian Federation, the Department of culture of the city of Moscow, National Centre for Contemporary Arts (NCCA), Moscow Museum of Modern Arts (MMOMA).

The organizers: National Center for Contemporary Arts (NCCA), Moscow Museum of Modern Arts (MMOMA). Co-organizer of the main project: the Museum of Moscow.



Krasnoyarsk IV International Music Festival of Asian-Pacific region countries

2014-06-26 — 2014-07-04

Arts festivals

Region: Krasnoyarsk region

Phone: 8 (391) 211-34-57, 8 (391) 212-32-42 «Центр Международных

и региональных связей» **Webpage:** apfest.ru krascult.ru

The festival represents the mix of traditional folk, classical and contemporary art. The main components of the festival are musical performances of creative groups of various genres and styles - concerts of chamber and symphonic music, performances by folk groups, theater performances at closed stage venues as well as in «open-air» mode, painting art in freely accessible places, film screening and photo exhibitions. Discussions of philosophers and critics will take place, too.



The International festival of laces VITA LACE

2014-06-26 — 2014-06-28

Arts festivals

Region: Vologda region

City: Vologda

Phone: (8172) 72 45 69, (8172) 72 53 81

Webpage: vologda-oblast.ru

Vologda in its own right is considered to be the lace capital of Russia. Unlike local centers of lace making, Vologda lace is the complex phenomenon that includes manufacturing traditions of various regions of Vologda area. The Lace festival is the rare opportunity to learn about the unique art of lace making. The revival of world renowned traditions of Russian flax and Vologda lace is the main goal of the festival that is held once every three years. The first International Festival of Lace (2011) that took place in Vologda within the frames of in the International Festival of flax was attended by representatives of lace making centres and flax processing industry from 18 countries and 36 regions of Russia.

The second International Festival of Lace in Vologda "The Living Lace" was included by the government of Vologda region in the list of priority cultural events in 2014. It is aimed to devote the festival to the XXII Olympic Winter Games in Sochi. It is not by chance that Vologda lace patterns are included in the design of the Games' symbols. Vologda lace itself is often compared to "enchanting patterns of winter", "snowy songs", "non-melting rime". Those ideas will be reflected in the concept of the festival.



The Military and Historical Festival "Dushonovo Maneuvers"

2014-06-27 — 2014-06-29

Historical reconstructions Region: Moscow region

Venue: Shchelkovo municipal area, the village of Dushonovo

Phone: (496) 562 19 90

Webpage: www.festival.duchonovo.ru

The geography of reenactors coming to Dushonovo land encompasses the entire continent from France to the Far East, while its historical range more than a thousand years of this country history.

The following historical periods are presented at "Dushonovo maneuvers": Ancient Rome, Early Middle Ages (IX-XI cc.), the Time of Troubles (XVII century.), the Patriotic War of 1812, the World War I, the Civil War, the Great Patriotic War, modern wars. The temporal and spatial frameworks of the festival allow not only to revive the battles and historical events of the history, but also make its guets to experience the life, culture and traditions of the ancestors. For that purpose historical settlements are built where one may learn the culture, crafts and the way of life of Russian people. There the colorful presentations of historical periods are staged and master classes, performances of creative groups and competitions of warriors are organized.

Trade stalls, interactive balls, reconstruction of the battles dating back to various episodes of national history will be set in the open air.



The VI International Festival of Contemporary Culture Kremlin LIVE

2014-06-27 — 2014-06-28

Arts festivals

Region: Republic of Tatarstan

City: Kazan

Venue: Kazan Kremlin Phone: (843) 567 80 01

Webpage: www.kazan-kremlin.ru mincult.tatarstan.ru

The festival programme includes concerts, exhibitions, shows, creative meetings and master classes.

Among the event headliners the honourary president of the festival, the star of world jazz Igor Butman is. The festival is held in the open air in Kazan Kremlin, entry to all activities is free.

The festival takes place at the territory of the current residence of the President of the Republic of Tatarstan and the site of UNESCO World Heritage.

In festival history (since 2008) more than 560 artists from all continents of the planet have performed at its stages.



The Festival of Water Sports "Kazyr"

2014-06-27 — 2014-07-01

Sport events

Region: Kemerovo region

Venue: The area of Podnebesnye Zubya, the river of Kazyr

Webpage: www.dmps-kuzbass.ru

Within the framework of the festival the Cup of Russia of sports tourism at water distances, Open championship of Kemerovo region in sport tourism (water distances), the stage of the Cup of Siberia Federal Territory of rafting, bard song festival, cultural and entertainment programme will be held.

The festival takes place at the river of Kazyr that flows between the mountains of Kuznetsk Alatau in West Sayan mountain system, among the amazing beauty of unspoiled nature, far from the benefits of civilization.

The competitions are held at distances of the 5-th class in a race, slalom, challenging rapid passes and inplementation of rescue operations.

For the event water sporrtsmen and followers of extreme kinds of tourism are coming.



All-Russia Festival of Author Song "Chanson at Trekhrechye (By Three Rivers)"

2014-06-27 — 2014-06-29

Arts festivals

Region: Kemerovo region

Venue: Tashtagol area, the village of Ust-Kabyrza

Phone: (3842) 65 72 96

Webpage: www.tashcult.ru www.depcult.ru

The festival-contest is held in the renovated Stalinist camp aimed for lumbering, situated in shor village.

The contest is organized for further preservation and development of cultural traditions, promotion of the genre of author song, strengthening its role in the patriotic upbringing of younger generation and development of song and poetry creativity.

The village of Ust-Kabyrza is the picturesque place of Mountain Shoria located at the confluence of three rivers – Kabyrza, Mrassu, Pyzas.

The area is situated at the territory of Shor National Park including, within its borders, more than 400 thousand hectares of forest lands. Taiga landscapes, mountain rivers with clear water, cave complexes, scenic rocks – here there are good conditions for provision of healthy outdoor recreation.

In 18 km from the village of Ust-Kabyrza, at the origins of the river Azas, a natural monument Azas cave is situated. The cave of 7 km long is considered to be a dwelling place of Big Foot.



The XI International Festival "The Drums of the World"

2014-06-27 — 2014-06-29

Arts festivals

Region: Samara region

City: Togliatti

Venue: Samara region, the city of Togliatti, Fedorov meadows, the

recreation facility "Transportnik"

Phone: (8482) 35 45 10

Webpage: www.barabanymira.ru

The main theme of the festival in 2014 is the insight into the future.

The band Flos Florum Ensemble will become the headliner of the festival this year, it is performing music of early Europe by ancient and exotic instruments.

Percussion groups will come to the event from all over the world. It is expected that paragliding show, ethno-fair and ethnic photo-studio will be present, too.

At children playground interactive activities will take place - from a variety of games for kids to drum master-classes. In the evenings gala-concerts will be offered to the guests.

At the traditional Ceremony of Peace all the guests and participants of the festival will gather around the main stage to drum together.

It is expected that this year the festival "The Drums of the world" will be visited by more than 5000 fans of the ethnic music style.

From June 23 to 26 the drum camp "The Mystery of sound" will operate. That is an excellent opportunity to learn how to play the drums, immerse oneself into a creative atmosphere, make new friends and get a lot of impressions for the year ahead.

The interesting programme with star cast of coaches, master classes and creative workshops from morning till evening as well as yoga and dance of the world sessions is prepared, too.

Novice musicians can try themselves in the role of performers on stage.

On June 24 Ivan Kupala Day falls, it's going to be real festivity at that day in the camp!



The III International Festival of Extreme Tourism "Yarydag"

2014-06-27 — 2014-07-05

Sport events

Region: Republic of Dagestan

Venue: The village of Kourush, Dokuzparinsk area

Phone: (8722) 56 67 70

"Yarydag" is the festival for enthusiastic people who love to travel and seek for adventure, who may not imagine their life without extreme sensations.

The programme of nine-day festival includes classification competitions in mountaineering, trekking routes, rafting, climbing, sky-running, photo tour and other types of active holiday. For the participation in the event tourist organizations, mountaineering clubs, individual sportsmen-climbers, teams of youth unions and educational institutions, the united teams of cities and areas of Dagestan Republic, other regions of Russian Federation, CIS countries and from abroad are invited.

The festival takes place in the village of Kourush, nearby the foot of Yarydag mountain. The accommodation of the participants and guests is planned at tent camp by the river gorge Chech Chay.



The Tourist Holiday "The Birthday of Baba Yaga"

2014-06-28

Other festivals and celebrations

Region: Yaroslavl region

Venue: Pervomaysk municipal area, the village of Kukoboy

Webpage: www.yarregion.ru

The first mentioning of the village of Kukoboy is referred to 1526. According to the legends preserved by people, the village of Kukoboy is the birthplace of Baba Yaga and the capital of the pies. For the fairy-tale character a hut is built, the museum of Fairy-tale is created. On the bank of the river Ukhtoma the concert cite and shops selling souvenirs are opened.

Tourists make a stop in Kukoboy on the way to Rybinsk, Vologda, Yaroslavl, Cherepovets and Veliky Ustyug. The village is located on the border of Yaroslavl and Vologda regions, 160 kilometers from Yaroslavl and 87 kilometers from Vologda.

The village is a tourist dream. Ancient customs and carved wooden houses are kept there practically since the last century.

The aim of the festival is to preserve the traditions of Russian folklore. The programme of Baba Yaga birthday features the fair of folk crafts, master classes on embroidery, knitting and wood carving. For kids a concert will be staged, the sports celebration "Bear funs" and entertainment programme by the hut of Baba Yaga will be organized as well as the contest of children painting "The planet of fairy tales".



The Pomor Festival of Folk Cuisine "Pomor Ethno-Food"

2014-06-28 — 2014-06-30

Other festivals and celebrations

Region: Arkhangelsk region

City: Arkhangelsk Phone: (921) 295 92 04

Webpage: www.povar-officiant.ru/pomoretnofood

www.pomorland.travel

For the first time the festival was held in 2011 as part of Archangelsk international tourism forum.

The idea to present "Pomor cuisine" as the tourist product that can attract visitors from various cities and countries to the region turned out to be interesting and in demand.

The organization of Pomor festival of folk cuisine is planned within the frames of the III Archangelsk international tourism forum in 2015.

The festival programme will feature competitions of chefs, master classes on cooking dishes, the days of traditional Pomor cuisine in restaurants and Pomor feast for visitors and citizens of the city.



The Stage of Russia Cup and Russia Championship in Cross-Country Competition by Trucks for the Prize of the Memory of the Hero of the Soviet Union Nikolay Anfinogenov

2014-06-28 — 2014-06-29

Sport events

Region: Kurgan region

Venue: Pritobol area, the village of Zaborskaya **Webpage:** ex-race.ru vk.com/autocross kurgan

The racing track has appeared in Kurgan in the 70-s. In time of autosports' revival in the 90-s at the track every year a great deal of automobile competitions was held.

Athletes compete at the track of 1800 m long with height difference from 3 to 14 m at trucks of E4-2, E4-3 division. Each year, more than 20 athletes from various regions of Russian Federation become participants of the competition, the spectators also come from all over Russia.



The II International Historical Festival "Ladoga"

2014-06-28 — 2014-06-29

Historical reconstructions Region: Leningrad region

Venue: Leningrad region, the village of Staraya Ladoga, Staraya Ladoga

historical and architectural reserve

Phone: (495) 215 29 26, (81363) 715 75, (81363) 49 034, (81363) 735

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Webpage: ratobor.com/calendar/1130 www.facebook.com/ladogafest?fref=ts

"Ladoga 2014" is the historical festival that presents the age of Vikings to followers of history and numerous spectators. The festival will be held in the heart of the museum-reserve "Old Ladoga", at the place where in ancient time "Adelgyuborg" – the settlement of pioneers opening the way "from Vikings to Greeks" – used to be.

The festival programme in the settlement of Staraya (Old) Ladoga is prepared by the best re-enactors of the Viking Age and Ancient Rus from Russia, Scandinavia, Central Europe and other countries. All of them will come to holiday to revive the times when the ancient Russian state was taking its shapes in the IX–XI centuries.

Next to Staraya Ladoga fortress the guests could see a marching camp of Scandinavian warriors while in the fortress itself – the show battles.

Outside the castle, the visitors may walk along the trade street and look inside the village of craftsmen. Medieval ships of Vikings and Russians, combat and merchant vessels of Scandinavians – Drakkar, Knorr, boats and snacks will become the genuine pride of "Ladoga 2014" – the ships will line up along the pier.

At the river Volkhov sailors will demonstrate the maneuvers of the ships, boarding combat and landing ashore.



The International Festival "The Slavic Unity"

2014-06-28

Arts festivals

Region: Bryansk region

City: Klimovo

Webpage: kultura32.ru

Far beyond Bryansk the International festival "The Slavic Unity" held annually at the conjunction of Slavic lands by the Friendship Monument at the border of Belarus, Russia and Ukraine is famous.

In August 1969, at picturesque meadow near the village of New Yurkovichy of Klimovo area in Bryansk region, the representatives of Bryansk, Gomel and Chernigov regions have come for their first meeting.

The participants of that festival have decided to make such meetings the tradition. In the year of the 30-th anniversary of Soviet people Victory in the Great Patriotic War of 1941-1945 the Friendship Monument has been erected at the site. At the moment it is the largest international event in which annually tens of thousands of people from Belarus, Russia and Ukraine participate – the representatives of the most important sectors of economy, culture and art figures, youth leaders, representatives of Russian Orthodox Church from Moscow Patriarchate, political parties and public movements. In 2013 the festival was hosted by Ukraine. The festival was dedicated to the 1025-th anniversary of the Baptism of Russia.

By the established tradition, each year the organization of the festival goes alternately to Belarus, Russia and Ukraine. This year the festival is responsibility of Bryansk region of Russia.

By the organizers' idea all sites of the festival will be combined in large Slavic Singing Field. Traditionally, there will be many sports and children activities while in market section anyone will find a treat he likes most.



The European Biennial of Contemporary Art "Manifesta 10"

2014-06-28 — 2014-10-31

Arts festivals

Region: Saint-Petersburg **City:** Saint Petersburg

Venue: The State Hermitage Museum

Phone: (812) 416 13 01

Webpage: www.manifesta.org manifesta10.org

"Manifesta" is the world only mobile Biennial that changes its location every two years in order to establish a dialogue between different regions of Europe.

St. Petersburg due to its historical ties with Europe today is the most suitable city for such dialogue.

Since 1996 Rotterdam, Luxembourg, Ljubljana, Frankfurt am Main, San Sebastian, Trentino (South Tyrol) and Murcia as playing host to the Biennial. The previous exhibition was organized in Genk (Belgium). Nine Biennials were held for twenty years, they were visited by more than a million people.

The State Hermitage Museum in St. Petersburg looks to be an ideal venue for the 10-th jubilee biennial which mission is to appeal to the origins of the "Manifesta".

Mikhail Piotrovsky, the director of the State Hermitage, says on the biennial: "The staff of Manifesta 10 under the leadership of the curator Kasper König have created wonderful, inspiring, critical and thought-provoking exhibition. It takes place in significant place and important time – in St. Petersburg, in 2014, when our museum celebrates its 250-th anniversary. We are pleased to accept the "Manifesta" and the painters – its participants, whose works will be great contribution to the event ".

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The XVI International Festival of Contemporary Dance Open Look

2014-06-28 — 2014-07-11

Arts festivals

Region: Saint-Petersburg **City:** Saint Petersburg

Venue: The new stage of Aleksandrinsky theatre **Webpage:** www.open-look.ru www.kannondance.ru

The organizers of the festival each year present the global trends in contemporary dance and related disciplines – performance, movie dance, multimedia – to the audience of St. Petersburg.

The professional community is offered with intense master classes held by leading teachers from Europe and USA on various techniques of modern dance as well as debates, round table discussions, joint projects with guest choreographers and dance companies.

The new stage of Aleksandrinsky theatre for two weeks will turn into the festival house that will host the projects of Open Look festival: Dance is Great / Britain, Teachers' Gala, Russian Look, British KinoDance, 3-D Dance-labyrinth, gallery Open Photo Look, Open P.S. laboratory and other events.

The special part of the festival will be the project Russian Look (on July 4-5) that not for the first year provides Russian choreographers with the opportunity to present their works to the professional community, experts of Russian and Western festivals, while spectators may get acquainted with contemporary dance and new names from different regions of Russia.

On the night from July 5 to 6 the dance marathon Dance 24 will begin.



The Wildlife Festival "The Golden Turtle"

2014-06-28 — 2014-07-20

Other festivals and celebrations

Region: Moscow **City:** Moscow

Venue: The Central House of Artists

Webpage: www.wnfest.ru

"The Golden Turtle" is the largest cultural and ecological-educational event in Russia.

The contest and now the festival of wildlife "The Golden Turtle" is the only official event held in the country within the decade of biodiversity preservation declared by the United Nations.

"The Golden Turtle" is organized for the eighth time, each year it attracts interests to the wildlife of growing number of people of all ages. In dozens of cities of Russia the festival presents the best nature-themed photographs, movies and TV shows on wild places of the country and the planet, telling about various initiatives on environment protection and public movements.

During the festival the activities are organized aimed at the promotion of ecological culture, patriotism and the development of creative abilities.

Seminars and mastrer calsses are held with discussions of specifics of wildlife photography, discussions on the rules and ethics of interaction with nature and specially protected areas.

At the festival various projects of public organizations and the global environmental funds are presented. The special attention is paid to the work with youth and children of different ages, for them the programme in interactive exhibition format is prepared.

By themes, width of coverage, spectators' participation and significance for society, the wildlife festival "Golden Turtle" has no equals.



Inter-regional literary and song festival "The Songs of Bezhin Meadow"

2014-06-28

Literary holidays Region: Tula region

Venue: The village of Turgenevo, Bezhin meadow, Chernsky district

Phone: (48756) 2 12 59, (48756) 6 90 08

Webpage: chern.tulobl.ru

On that day, the fair with barkers and clowns, merry and daring songs will welcome the guests of the event dedicated to the memory of the great Russian writer I.S. Turgenev.

The event culmination will feature the night theatrical performance at famous Bezhin Meadow. The even area in the lowland by the river Snezhed turns into a stage and the slopes of the ravine – into a natural amphitheater for spectators. In the still of the night the words of Turgenev will be heard, pages of his works will come to life...

The unique show will be accompanied by beautiful music and singing.

The festival will be crowned by spectacular fireworks.



The Holiday-Fair "The Berry Basket"

2014-06-28

Fairs

Region: Vladimir region Venue: The village of Sadovy Phone: (849231) 2-18-88; 7-22-81

Webpage: www.pavlovskoeadm.ru/festival-yagodnoe-lukoshko.html

"The Berry Basket" is the colorful and interesting holiday. It has its own taste and smell - an enticing aroma of strawberries! The sweet show is gaining momentum each year. The guests of "The Berry Basket" will experience the atmosphere of jolly holiday and participate in interactive activities.

The colourful costumes, unusual characters, the competitions in strawberries' picking, entertainment programme for grown-ups and children – all that is offered to guests and people of the region.



The Trade Fair of Souvenirs and Items of Folk Crafts

2014-06-29

Fairs

Region: Tyumen region **City:** Yalutorovsk **Phone:** (34535) 3 30 57

Webpage: культура72.pф w-siberia.ru

As part of the annual event, city residents and visitors can buy unique souvenirs made of clay, wood, withe, mammoth bone, etc. For those wishing to join the mysteries of folk crafts, master classes will be organized (on modeling from clay, making doll-amulets, etc.).

The event is held within the celebration of the City Day of Yalutorovsk that significantly expands the entertainment programme.



The Celebration of Fish Pie

2014-06-29 — 2014-06-29

The folk celebrations Region: Komi Republic

Venue: The village of Byzovaya Phone: (82142) 7 20 00, 7 38 23 Webpage: kultpechora.ru

The folk festivity "The Celebration of fish pie" is held since 2012 in the village of Byzovaya situated at the picturesque high bank of a river.

In 2012, the event was attended by over 5000 people, in 2013 - by 7000.

The guests were welcome by mammoth-baby dressed in Komi costume – the tourist brand of the municipal district "Pechora".

The festive activities are organized at ten sites, so-called clearings that are located at all territory of the village: "Environmental clearing" makes introduction to the variety of the Northern territory flora and fauna, "Ritual Clearing" presents local rituals for newlyweds, at "Craftsman clearing" exhibition-fair of items of decorative and applied arts takes place, "Play clearing" offers children and grown-ups traditional games of Komi people, at "Fish clearing" guests will learn a lot about fishing traditions of the area near Pechora, etc.

During the celebration, at the river bank competitions in fishing with float rod and spinning are organized. In 2014, for the first time, within the framework of national festivities the gastronomic festival of Komi cuisine will take place.