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Thursday, 3 August - Warm-up

19.00 Concert "Roka balādes – ALTERNATIVE" /Theatre House "Jūras vārti"/ The concert will feature the VENTSPILS KAMERORKESTRIS, the Mixed Choir VENTSPILS and soloists ATIS ZVIEDRIS, ATIS IEVIŅŠ, JĀNIS AIŠPURS and AIJA VĪTOLIŅA. Conductor AIGARS MERI

Friday, 4 August - Opening

21. International Flower Carpet Festival ZIEDU VIRPULĪ /Big Square/ Florists from Spain, Italy, Estonia, Lithuania, Ukraine and Latvia

08.00 - 18.00 City Festival Fair /Old Town Market Square/

11.00 Liepāja Puppet Theatre performance /Pārventa Library/

11.30 MUZEJĀ VIESI /H. Dorbes Memorial Museum/ Meeting with writer Laura Vinogradova

16.00 Opening concert and creative workshops

/New Gāliņciems Community Centre, Kuldīgas iela 138/

17.30 Opening of photo exhibition TALSEDE by AGNESE PASTARE /Main Library/

19.00 - 21.50 OPENING OF THE FESTIVAL and awarding ceremony of the City Council Grand Prize and awards / Amphitheatre of the Concert Hall "Latvija"/

Music by MIRAGE JAZZ ORCHESTRA and special guests from Italy - MARTA GIULIONI (vocals) and MASSIMO MORGANTI (trombone)

21.00 - 01.00 Beach Waterpark Whirlpool Night /Beach Waterparks/ €

21.30 - 02.00 Night market, schlager ball and karaoke /Old Town Market Square/ Music by ŽORŽS SIKSNA, female trio of the TIRKĪZA KORIS and pianist ARMANDS LEJA. After 23.00 DJ JĀNIS MIHAILOVS

22.00 Evening concert GOLDBERGS SAPNO VIENĀ VASARS' VAKARĀ

/Green Room of Concert Hall "Latvija"/

Features JANA ZARINA (piano, electronics), EDGARS ZAURS (percussion), PĒTERIS LĪDAKA (artist)

Saturday, 5 August - Festival events

EVENTS IN THE OLD TOWN

08.00 - 18.00 City Festival Fair /Old Town Market Square/

10.00 - 15.00 LAIMĪGĀS STUNDAS /House of Crafts/ €

Artisans working, entrance ticket scratch card

12.00 - 18.00 PILS LAIMES AKA /Livonian Order Castle/ € Medieval fighting and life (COMTURIA VINDA and other ancient fight clubs)

13:00 Medieval singing MUĻĶĪBAS SLAVINĀJUMS. FOLIES. Played by IEVA NĪMANE (flute and oboe), AINĀRS PAUKŠĒNS (viola da gamba), PĒTERIS VAICKOVSKIS (positive), VILIS DAUDZIŅŠ (actor/storyteller) 15:00 Medieval chants MADRIGĀLI DZIESMAS MĀTES VALODĀ - MARUTA HMEĻEVSKA (soprano), DAIGA BŪDA (soprano), BAIBA MEŽSĒTA (alto), MIĶELIS ZUMBERGS (tenor), PĒTERIS VAICKOVŠKIS (bass)

12.00 - 15.00 BOOK FESTIVAL "Droša un tīra Eiropa" /Town Hall Square/

Latvian book publishers with their products, vinyl records, creative workshops and competitions for children and families

12.00 - 15.00 EUROPE DIRECT VENTSPILS

12.00 - 12.40 RAITIS ZAPACKIS'S musical program for children "Pasakas"

14.00 - 15.00 Awarding of the authors of the books of Ventspils city and region. ZAPACKIS'S musical program "Tas ir Sinatra"

09.00 - 17.00 Artisans' Market /New Town Square/

09.00 - 23.30 ANNELS children's playground /Millsquare/ €

11.00 Festive procession GRIEŽAMIES VIRPULĪ /route - Lielais prospekts from Katoļu to Brīvības street/

12.00 - 16.00 Terrace Festival at the Science Centre VIZIUM

Technology workshops and other exciting activities for families and children on the VIZIUM terrace

13.00 - 15.00 Latvian Open Powerlifting Championship 6th Final Round /Olympic Centre "Ventspils" near the Ice Hall/

13.00 Latvian Drag Race Festival / Ventspils Airport/ € Drag racing, car exhibition featuring Lamborgini and Ferrari

16.00 Opening of the exhibition of paintings by LELDE BRAKE-KLAVER / /Pārventa Library/

18.00 Chamber music concert DOMAS /Pārventa Library/

Music by FRANCIS GAILUS (piano) and JANIS IVUŠKANS (trumpet)

Saturday, 5 August - Festival events

12.00 - 17.00 RENKA GARDEN - DAY PROGRAMME

Music by OTRA PUSE, RĪGAS MODES, BRASS RIOT (Germany) and TOFA JAXX (Tanzania) BALTIC DESIGN FAIR - with the participation of nearly 50 of Latvia's best fashion, jewellery and accessory designers, as well as guests from Lithuania and Estonia

Contemporary art exhibition for children and young people MĀKSLA UZ RITEŅIEM

BIG SQUARE

21. International Flower Carpet Festival ZIEDU VIRPULĪ

12.00 - 17.00 CHEF AND BARTENDERS' SHOW, CONCERTS

The best Latvian bartenders and chefs will meet in the Big Square. Good music, dancing, delicious and refreshing cocktails, chefs' masterpieces, competitions, prizes and positive emotions. Music by STRÜBERGS and HORENS (RIGA REGGAE)

12.00 Pop Studio JŪRAS AKMENTINI

15.00 Flower Carpet Festival award ceremony

15.20 Awarding the most interesting participants of the parade, winners of the competition PILSĒTAS ROTA 2023

20.00 - 23.00 Evening concert and culmination of the festivities /central stage/ 20.10 VENTSPILS BIGBAND and soloists RALFS EILANDS and ELZA ROZENTĀLE

The program will include music by composer Zigmārs Liepiņš, which has been acclaimed by the audiences 21.30 Film "VENTSPILS 700+33"

21.50 Closing concert of the dance music project HOUSE GOSPEL CHOIR Great Britain)

22.50 Address by the Chairman of Ventspils State City Council JANS VITOLINS 23.00 FIREWORKS /from the territory of the Olympic Centre/

NIGHT PROGRAMME OF THE FESTIVAL

20.00 - 23.00 Special City Festival evening rides along the Circle Line with the locomotive Mazbānītis /Seaside Open Air Museum/ €

21.00 - 01.00 TOBOGGAN NIGHT /Adventure Park/

23.00 - 05.00 NIGHT DANCE /Renka Garden/ €

Music by CITI ZĒNI, A-EUROPA, union KRATA - EDAVĀRDI, ČIŽIKS and DUBRA. DJ KĀRLIS ĶILKUTS. Entrance from 22.00

23.30 NIGHT CONCERT IN THE CHURCH /Roman Catholic Church Ventspils Saint Cross/ Performers VENTSPILS VOKĀLĀ GRUPA under the direction of Ginta Rūse and flautist AINA LODZIŅA

Sunday, 6 August - closing events

11.00 Festive activities for children /Children's Town/

New circus performances - CRONOPIO the clown (Argentina). Birthday Foam Party and Lupilu Baby Crawl Competition

11.00 Latvian Drag Race Festival / Ventspils Airport/ €

12.00 - 18.00 KATRĀ SĒTĀ LAIMES AKA /Seaside Open Air Museum/ € Craft Day bustle, traders, craft demonstrations, activities for children, mini zoo

14.00 concert program with the band LUKU MUZIKANTI

15.00 Festive activities for children /Children's Park "Fantāzija"/

New circus performances - CRONOPIO the clown (Argentina). Birthday Foam Party and Lupilu Baby Crawl Competition

16.00 MARIJA NAUMOVA's anniversary evening /Concert Hall "Latvija"/ €

Concert with MARIJA NAUMOVA (vocals), ROLANDS BELEVIČS (keyboards, accordion), NORBERTS SKRAUCIS (double bass), ANDRIS BUIKIS (percussion), LÍGA ROBEŽNIECE (backing vocals), JEGORS KOVAIKOVS (guitar) and guitarist SEBASTIEN GINIAUX

17.00 BARDS CONCERT /Pārventa Bandstand/

Ventspils artists ALEKSANDRS MIRVIS, TATIANA and JURIJS SAKSAGANSKS, JEKATERINA VARKALOVA and ALEKSANDRS SIVACKIS, as well as guests ZANE JANČEVSKA (Latvia), ALEKSANDRA SKORUKA (Ukraine), EMILY ROSENSTEIN (Israel)

EXHIBITIONS

Agnese Pastare's photo exhibition **TĀLSĒDE** /Main Library/

Sandra Vingre's painting exhibition **NAKTS PASAKAS** /Main Library/

Lelde Braķe-Klaverī's exhibition of paintings **ŠAIPUS HORIZONTAM** /Pārventa Library/

Latvian Language Agency exhibition **KĻŪDIES TĀ, LAI CITIEM PRIEKS!** /Pārventa Library/ Juris Ulmanis's photo exhibition CEĻŠ UZ EVERESTU /Ventspils University College Library/

Exhibition LATVIJAS BURĀTĀJU PASAULES MARŠRUTI UN ELITAS VILIAMAS MARĪNAS /Theatre House "Jūras vārti"/

KUSTĪGĀS BILDES. KINO VĒSTURE VENTSPILĪ /Livonian Order Castle/

Drawings and prints by Laima Bikše, Signe Vanadziņa from the Ventspils Museum collection at the exhibition **BOTĀNISKIE ZĪMĒJUMI. MĀKSLA VAI ZINĀTNE?** /Livonian Order Castle/

Paintings in the colour of summer from the Ventspils Museum art collection - exhibition ZALĀ /Livonia Order Castle/

Exhibition of the Folk Applied Art Studio LIEPAVA KURZEMES GALVASSEGAS /House of Crafts/















