



The National Armed Forces Staff Orchestra concert Skanam nākotnei (Sounding for the Future) will take place in Ventspils.



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On Wednesday, May 14, at 7:00 PM, the National Armed Forces Staff Orchestra concert “Sounding for the Future” will take place at the “Latvija” Concert Hall in Ventspils.

With an eye toward Latvia’s future, the National Armed Forces Staff Orchestra has invited young musical talents to share the stage in a joint performance. At the heart of the diverse concert program will be soloists from the Ventspils Secondary Music School – Jana Ancāne (flute), Roberts Barkāns (piano), Elza Plostniece (trumpet), instructor Jānis Ivuškāns (trumpet), and Kate Makrecka (percussion). Under the direction of conductor Captain Aleksandrs Kreišmanis, the concert will feature Latvian folk music arranged by Raitis Ašmanis, compositions by Juris Karlsons and Sergejs Austrā Universss, as well as several works by contemporary Spanish composer *Ferrer Ferran*.

“With this concert, we are fulfilling a long-cherished dream. We want to encourage and showcase the musical talents of Latvia’s new generation. This concert project can be seen as a kind of triangular interaction between the audience, the students and teachers of the Ventspils Secondary Music School, and the National Armed Forces Staff Orchestra. We will invite the audience to immerse themselves in the diverse and captivating sounds of various solo instruments, reflected through the music of Latvian and Spanish composers. For the young aspiring musicians, performing together with a professional orchestra on one of Latvia’s finest concert hall stages will be an invaluable experience for their future careers. This time, the music will be played with a perspective toward the future,” says conductor Aleksandrs Kreišmanis.

The National Armed Forces Staff Orchestra was established on February 3, 1992. In the public eye, the orchestra is most often associated with national celebrations and important state events. Its activities encompass a range of functions — including ceremonies, parades, marching displays, as well as concerts by the full orchestra and various chamber ensembles. Throughout its existence, the National Armed Forces Staff Orchestra has taken part in numerous international events and has collaborated with renowned conductors, soloists, and chamber ensembles from around the world.

Continuing the traditions of the National Armed Forces Orchestras, admission to the concerts is free of charge.

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