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visual ARTS

001

Project GRAFFOPOST free

Project GRAFFOPOST is a provocation for visual artists and muralists to show their vision through a conceptual art project that is synchronized with the urban environment itself. In 2017 and 2018, Visionary Foundation created a great opportunity for 6 independent street artists to realize their own performance and transform in total 526 sq.m. of public space.

In October, the new art pieces of all participating artists from all 6 editions of the project will be displayed in Betacafe, Sofia. In addition, the booklet of GRAFFOPOST will be presented at the event together with complimentary perks.

Betacafe, betahaus | Sofia
58 "Krum Popov" str., Sofia

24th October – 23d November

Opening – 24th October, 19:00 www.visionary.foundation

002

OPEN-AIR GALLERY free

THE LOVERS' BRIDGE At The National Palace Of Culture

30th September – 10th October

Computer Graphics Exhibition - architectural visualization

10th October – 20th October

Exhibition in connection with the 7th Annual EUSDR Forum

20th October – 2nd November

The Buildings of Sofia

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003

OPEN-AIR GALLERY CITY PARK free

18th September – 1st October

Exhibition on the Bulgarian-Polish aviation cooperation

2nd – 15th October

Argentina: A friend of the World

15th – 29th October

The Sofia Library – 90 Years in the Heart of Sofia

29th October – 12th November

Sofia Photo Sport Exhibition

12th November – 30th November

Exhibition of the catalogues of the Support for Art in Bulgaria Foundation

www.artsofia.bg

004

OPEN-AIR GALLERY free

THE PARK around National Palace Of Culture entrance from Fridtjof Nansen str.

24th September – 8th October

Exhibition of the Sofia Philharmonics

8th – 22nd October

Exhibition from the Photo Competition organized by Photo Forum

22nd October – 5th November

Exhibition organized by the Computer Space Association

5th – 19th November

URBAN CREATURES by Yassen Geshev

19th November - 2th December

Exhibition commemorating the writer Dimitar Talev

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You can find the program of the
Sofia art galleries at:  
sofia-art-galleries.com

005

'Alexander Tanev - Spirit and Word' - 90th Anniversary of Composer's Birth



Alexander Tanev is one of the brightest representatives of the third generation of Bulgarian composers. Two times winner of the Sofia Award. In 2018 we will mark 90 years of his birth. The Alexander Tanev - Spirit and Word Project is a documentary exhibition that presents important milestones of his creative career and life.

Hall of the Union of Bulgarian Composers
23d October - 13th December, 19.00 artsofia.bg

006

EXHIBITIONS in the Sofia City Art Gallery



Retrospective exhibition of **Alexander Dobrinov** marking the 120th anniversary of his birth.

The exhibition presents the art of Alexander Dobrinov which includes political cartoons and caricatures. The works are property of the Sofia City Art Gallery, the National Gallery, the National Museum of Literature and the Dobrinov family.

Sofia City Art Gallery
25th September - 28th October

Eliezer Alsheh and the aesthetics of outrage

The exhibition presents some of the most prominent works of the painter on occasion of his 110th anniversary. Some of the paintings have not been shown before. The project which the researchers Plamen Petrov, Ramona Dimova, Nikoleta Gologanov and Natasha Noeva have been working on for two years narrates the life and creative achievements of the great painter of Jewish origin. It tells the story of his journey from Bulgaria to Munich, of the labour camps in the first half of the 40s and his escape to Buenos Aires (Argentina) in 1951 where he lived until the end of his life in 1983.

Sofia City Art Gallery
21st September - 4th November

Reflections of the new objectivity in Bulgarian art in the 30s and 40s of the 20th century - paintings

The exhibition presents cultural parallels between Bulgarian and German art in the 30s. By interweaving some of the most interesting works of Bulgarian and German painters it attempts to explore the common creative processes. The authors shown are: Kiril Tzonev, Vera Lukova, Boris Eliseev, Vasil Barakov, Bencho Obreshkov, etc.

Sofia City Art Gallery
13th November - 17th February 2019
tuesday - saturday, 10:00 - 19:00,
Sunday - 11:00 - 18:00

www.sghg.bg



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music & concerts

001

Crystal Lyre 2018 – 22nd Award Ceremony for the National Annual Awards for music and dance performances

Crystal Lyre 2018 presents the best performances of Bulgarian music and dance artists for the 2017/2018 season. Nominees in 17 genres of music and dance will compete again in Crystal Lyre 2018. Lifetime achievement awards will be presented by the Ministry of Culture along with the audience award from Cantus Firmus/Classic FM, and the award of the Union of Bulgarian Music and Dance Performers. The Sofia award established by the Sofia City Council for best performance in Sofia will be presented for the 5th time. On 1st November 2018 the Crystal Lyre statuette will be handed for the 22nd time.

National Musical Theatre Stefan Makedonski

1st November, 19:00

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002

Celebrating Friendship

The event is organized under the auspices of His Excellency the Ambassador of Turkey to Bulgaria, The Embassy of the Republic of Turkey and Nadezhda Cultural Centre. The focus will be the performance of Simphonietta Orchestra Sofia with guest conductor Kiril Lambov of musical pieces of Bulgarian and Turkish composers: Cemal Resit Rey – Piano and Orchestra Variations on a Turkish Folk Song and Yuli Damyanov – Blues 13

Central Military Club

23d November, 19:00 – 21:00

www.oki-nadejda.com

**Sofia Opera and Ballet,
30 Dondukov blvd., 30 Vrabcha str., Sofia Center**
www.operasofia.bg

**National Music Theatre Stefan Makedonski,
100 Vasil Levski blvd., Sofia Center**
www.musictheatre.bg

003 Tributes to prominent composers



Petko Staynov Foundation with Nadezhda Cultural Centre will mark the 122th anniversary of the composer Petko Staynov with two concerts in Sofia and Kazanlak. The Simphonietta Orchestra Sofia with conductor Svilen Simeonov will present a concert program including Youth Overture, three parts "Zmei", "Peda Chovek" and "Pusto Gore Tilileisko" of the symphonic poem "Legend" arranged by Professor Plamen Jurov.

Concert Hall of the Nadezhda Cultural Centre
30th November, 18:30 – 20:00
www.oki-nadejda.com

004

Concert of Sofia Jazz Formation

The new album of Sofia Jazz Formation and second for this group of musicians will include a variety of musical pieces in different styles composed in the past two years. The album contains both classical jazz works and modern pieces featuring improvisations and free expression which are typical for the formation. The unique sonorous voice of the Yana Chakalska, permanent member of the band since 2016, will be the first ever vocal performance in a Sofia Jazz Formation album.

Concert Hall of the Nadezhda Cultural Centre
29th November, 5th December 18:30 – 20:00 and 19:00 – 20:30
www.oki-nadejda.com

005

Christmas Concert

Before Christmas Eve Simphonietta Orchestra Sofia will once again present its fans with the traditional concerts featuring the magnificent works of the Strauss Family. Polkas, waltzes, marches and cotillons will be performed for the first time along with the well-loved Danube waltz. According to tradition the concert will close with the Radetzky March

Concert Hall of the Nadezhda Cultural Centre
20th and 22nd December 19:00 – 20:30 and 18:30 – 20:30
www.oki-nadejda.com

006

Classical concert

A concert of Simphonietta Orchestra Sofia with conductor Svilen Simeonov and Per Enflo – piano.

The long cooperation with the pianist Per Enflo will bring to the Simphonietta Orchestra Sofia fans many piano concerts by Mozart played excellently by the soloist and the orchestra. In this concert the pianist will present Chopin's Piano Concerto No.1 and Symphony No.4 "Italian" by Felix Mendelssohn Bartholdi.

Concert Hall of the Nadezhda Cultural Centre
16th November, 18:30 – 20:00
www.oki-nadejda.com

007

Concert for the opening of the 2018/2019 season

The concert is organized jointly by the Sofia Philharmonics and Simphonietta Orchestra Sofia with conductor Svilen Simeonov and soloists Angel Stankov – violin, Anatoly Krastev – cello, Vladko Vezenkovich, Serbia – oboe, Vezhen Rezashki – bassoon. The program includes: Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart – Overture "Don Giovanni", Joseph Haydn – Sinfonia Concertante for violin, cello, oboe and bassoon, Ludwig Van Beethoven – Symphony No. 8, F dur

Bulgaria Hall,
2nd October, 19:00 – 21:00
www.oki-nadejda.com

008

'Alexander Tanev – Spirit and Word' Concert – 90th Anniversary of Composer's Birth

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Hall of the Union of Bulgarian Composers
23d October, 19:00

Chamber Concert
13th December, 19:00

Concert of Sofia Philharmonic Orchestra,
soloist Borislava Taneva, conductor Nayden Todorov
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009

Jazz Concert of Swing Dance Orchestra

Best of Swing by the German SWING DANCE ORCHESTRA with conductor Andrej Hermlin is the jazz concert to launch the New Year Music Festival. The musicians from the SWING DANCE ORCHESTRA will take the audience to a journey back in time – to America in the 30s – a journey that brings life back to swing music.

Hall 1 of the National Palace of Culture
5th December, 20:00
www.ndk.bg

010

Angel Zaberski presents SYMPHONY JAZZ

The concert is the forthcoming music project by the pianist and composer Angel Zaberski. He brought together some of the most popular jazz musicians in Bulgaria: Mihail Yossifov, Velislav Stoyanov, Martin Tashev, Stoyan Yankulov – Stoongie, Todor Bakardjiev, Boris Talev, Mihail Mihailov and Dimitar Uzunov, an orchestra conducted by Grigor Palikarov and special guest soloists such as Zhivko Vassilev – flute and the world beatbox champion Alexander Deyanov Skiller.

Hall 1 of the National Palace of Culture
20th December, 19:00 www.ndk.bg

21 September, 19:00**Concert series „Fairy Tales from Russia“**

Mussorgsky – Scenes from Boris Godunov Rachmaninoff – Symphony N2 Conductor: NAYDEN TODOROV Soloist: PAATA BURCHULADZE, Bass Svetoslav Obretenov National Philharmonic Choir, Conductor Slavil Dimitrov

27 September, 19:00**Concert series „The Great Symphonies“ I** Shostakovich – Concerto No. 1 for violin and orchestra Dvořák – Symphony No. 9 „From the New World“ Conductor: NAYDEN TODOROV Soloist: VADIM REPIN, Violin**8 October, 19:00****Concert series „The Fourth Ones“** Beethoven – Concerto No. 4 for piano and orchestra Rutter – Magnificat Conductor: NAYDEN TODOROV Soloists: BERND GLEMSER, Piano VERA GIRGIŃOVA, Sopran Svetoslav Obretenov National Philharmonic Choir, conductor SLAVIL DIMITROV**11 October, 19:00****Concert series „Beyond the Notes“** The World is scene Anniversary from Itzko Finzi**14 October, 19:00****Concert series „The Pianists“** Mozart – Concerto No. 24 for piano and orchestra in C Minor K. 491 Orff – Carmina Burana Conductor: NAYDEN TODOROV Soloist: PAUL BADURA-SKODA, Piano Svetoslav Obretenov National Philharmonic Choir, conductor Slavil Dimitrov**20 October, 19:00****Concert series „The Twentieth Century Masterpieces“** Festive Concert in honour of the National Holiday of Hungary Kodály – Dances of Galánta Liszt – Hungarian Fantasy for piano and orchestra Bartók – Concerto for orchestra Conductor GABOR HOLLERUNG Soloist: DORA DELIYSKA, Piano**4 November, 19:00****Concert series „Fairy Tales from Russia“** J. S. Bach – Air Mendelssohn-Bartholdy – Concerto for violin and orchestra Tchaikovsky – Concerto No. 1 for piano and orchestra Conductor: NAYDEN TODOROV Soloists: SVETLIN ROUSSEV, Violin LUDMIL ANGELOV, Piano**11 November, 19:00****Concert series „The Twentieth Century Masterpieces“** Festive Concert in honour of the National holiday of Poland Moniuszko – Overture to the opera Paria Karłowicz – Concerto for violin and orchestra Lutosławski – Concerto for orchestra Conductor: ANTONI WIT Soloist: AGATA SZYMCZEWSKA, violin**22 November, 19:00****Concert series „The Fourth Ones“** Prokofiev – Concerto No. 1 for violin and orchestra Mahler – Symphony No. 4 Conductor: YORMA PANULA Soloists: LIYA PETROVA, Violin MARIA RADOEVA, Soprano**30 November, 19:00****Concert series „The Great Symphonies“ I** Mozart – Symphony Concertante for violin, viola and violoncello [Arranged by Philip Wilby] Stravinsky – Dumbarton Oaks Sibelius – Symphony No. 2 Conductor: JUKKA-PEKKA SARASTE**6 December, 19:00****Concert series „The Pianists“** Ravel – Suite Ma mère l'Oye Poulenc – Concerto for two pianos and orchestra Saint-Saëns – Symphony No. 3 in C Minor, op. 78 Conductor: CHARLES DUTOIT Soloists: Piano duo AGLIKA GENOVA – LIUBEN DIMITROV, VELIN ILIEV, organ**13 December, 19:00****Concert series „The Twentieth Century Masterpieces“** Tanev – Divertimento Concertante for piano Bernstein – Symphony No. 3 Conductor: NAYDEN TODOROV Soloists: BORISLAVA TANEVA, Piano INA KANCHEVA, Soprano VESSELIN BODAKOV, Narrator Svetoslav Obretenov National Philharmonic Choir conductor Slavil Dimitrov Boys' Choir and Narrator**14 December, 19:00****Concert series „The Great Symphonies“** NEW YEAR'S MUSIC FESTIVAL – NATIONAL PALACE OF CULTURE Rossini – Overture to the opera La gazza ladra („The Thieving Magpie“) Bottesini – Gran Duo Concertante for violin, double bass and orchestra Berlioz – Symphonie Fantastique Conductor: EMIL TABAKOV Soloists: MINCHO MINCHEV, Violin RICK STOTIJN, Double Bass**27 December, 19:00****Concert series „Don Juan“** NEW YEAR CONCERT Soloist: LUCY DIAKOVSKA

LITERATURE

001 46th Sofia International Book Fair

Traditional book exhibition which gathers more than 150 Bulgarian publishers, as well as many foreign cultural institutes and representatives. It is accompanied by an intense program of promotional events for the newest book titles, meetings with Bulgarian and foreign authors, translators, illustrators, and publishers.

National Palace of Culture

11th– 16th December, 10:00 to 20:00

www.literaryfest.org

002 Sofia International Literary Festival

The biggest and the most prestigious literary forum in Bulgaria connects the readers with Bulgarian and foreign authors from Europe and all around the world. It promotes contemporary literature, books, the reading and the role of the writers in society. This year's focus of the festival is the literature of the German speaking countries.

The National Palace of Culture

11th– 16th of December, 10:00 – 20:00

www.literaryfest.org

003 Fourth Annual Awards of Peroto Literary Club

The annual awards are presented to Bulgarian authors in the following categories: prose, poetry, translation from Bulgarian into a foreign language, children books and debut.

National Palace of Culture, The Peroto Literary Club

2nd November, 18:30

www.ndk.bg

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SOFIA THEATRE

Sofia, 23A Yanko Sakazov Blvd.
sofiatheatre.eu/

001

ANNA KARENINA /drama/



A story of a group of people, who "cannot joke with matters of the heart" (quoting the characters of the novel themselves). Personal, matters of the heart, which take place in front of the very eyes of the merciless Society. One rough and brutal force – a force that is vague, under disguise and secretive, which unceremoniously controls their lives. The 900-page novel has many movie versions. "Sofia Theatre and I are presenting a theatrical one to you. It is worth watching if not for anything else for excellent acting." – Nikolay Polyakov, Director

3d, 19th October, 19:00

002

Tiramisu /comedy/



The play is based on the personal experience of the Polish author Yoanna Ovshanko's as an advertising agent – she has worked in a powerful agency and knows this new modern way of life. She tells a story about seven young, successful, strong and beautiful women who struggle for success in society. The audience will witness their most intimate experiences and will empathize with the clash between their personal aspirations and the established social rules for success, career, and standards of happiness.

4th, 14th October, 19:00

003 **The Hunchback of Notre-Dame** /drama/

The Virgin of Paris is an attire made of shiny words which never tears. It will keep you warm in the winter and bring coolness to your heart in the summer. It can be used as a blanket tucked in which you will dream magical dreams of love, treachery, passion and downfall." – D. Stoyanovich, author of the adaptation
5th October, 19:00

004 **ALONSO** /comedy/

A modern comedy by Stephan Fogel, one of the most sought-after German speaking playwrights. Four excellent actors will introduce you to their characters and entertain you. An interesting fact is that none of the characters is actually called Alonso. Who then is Alonso? Alonso is the person who can tell the liars without even saying a word. Interesting, isn't it? It is.
10th, 26th October, 19:00

005 **HANGMEN** /black comedy/

The inability to find the perpetrator of the crime starts to put in question the easy answers to all life questions. The audience may be trapped in dark conjectures and its curiosity will be piqued, but the real experience relates to the question "whodunit" acquiring a broader meaning and transcending the plot. Only the absurd laughter which is the only certainty with McDonagh can help.
11th, 27th October, 19:00

006 **FRANKENSTEIN** /drama/

"This Frankenstein is not that Frankenstein we remember and are acquainted with, but we do not really know ... This Frankenstein is a modern philosophical tale, a contemporary living myth, creating and telling itself through the hyperrealism of its own, and its unique images and constructions that turn into modern archetypes. This Frankenstein is a story about the malformations that occur in the human soul and body when love is banished. When you deny it and condemn it. In the name of the ego. In the name of reason. In the name of yourself." – Stayko Murdjev, Director

23d October, 19:00

007 MARRIAGE /comedy/

The subject of the play triggered heated arguments among us, different points of for and / or against marriage emerged, the meaning of marriage and the meaning of choice emerged. Lost in our own fears, we have lost our senses to notice other people, and that makes falling in love impossible.

18th October, 19:00

008 JUMP /musical/

The protagonist of our story is in front of a door, behind which is another world. An 18-year-old boy will get to know a life that is far different from his own. What would he take from this time and transfer it in the present and what would he change in that time?

24th October, 19:00

009 OLD SEYBROOK AND THE LAST OF THE RED HOT LOVERS /comedy/

Two plays of the most successful playwrights in the world today - Woody Allen and Neil Simon - are shown on the stage of "Sofia" Theatre. Two comedies inspired by the eternal questions about love and marriage. Funny, insightful plays about how couples go through crises, where we escape from our own complexes and whether it is possible to love only one partner.

20th and 31st October, 19:00

010 PETER PAN /for children/

Join us in the wonderful world of Peter Pan - the boy from the magical Neverland who refuses to grow up. He crosses swords with Captain Hook's evil pirates, experiencing the crazy thrill of flying high and the magic of the first kiss. "Sofia" Theatre's musical enchants with its beautiful costumes, romantic duels on the pirate ship, melodious songs and great acting performances.

20th October, 19:00

You can find the program of the Sofia Theatre for November and December at www.sofiateatre.eu

CinEMa

001

International book & movie festival CineLibri

The world's international book&movie festival CineLibri is an unique event for Bulgaria. It is the only festival featuring film adaptations, both fiction and documentaries, based on significant literary works. The program of this year's edition includes more than 300 screenings of close to 45 films, national premieres, renowned foreign guests, many galas and surprises. The festival has 3 main modules – a competition program, parallel program and tributes to prominent film-makers. The theme of CineLibri 2018 is love in all its shapes and forms and the motto is "Love between the Lines".

Hall 1 of the National Palace of Culture,
Lumiere Cinema Theatre, Euro Cinema,
The House of Cinema, G8 Cultural Centre,
French Cultural Centre, etc.

10th – 24th October

10th October, 19:00 Official Opening,
Hall 1 of the National Palace of Culture

www.cinelibri.com

002

105 Minutes of Sofia

The documentary film follows all the historical milestones in the development of Sofia to date.

Lumiere Lidl Cinema Theatre

18th September, 19:00 www.ndk.bg

003

Kinomania – 32d edition



Some of the most interesting and outstanding international films of the preceding two years are shown during the festival. The film selection is very precise and includes award winning films from the festivals in Cannes, Venice, Toronto, Berlin, etc.

Hall 1 of the National Palace of Culture, Lumiere Lidl Cinema
Theatre, The House of Film, Odeon Theatre, Euro Cinema, G8
Cultural Centre

15th November – 29th November www.ndk.bg

digital ARTs

001 Computer Space – 30th International Computer Art Forum

Computer Space is a non-commercial international computer art festival.  
With more than 20 000 participants (companies, studios or individual participants) from different countries today Computer Space is one of the largest and most significant computer art events in South-eastern Europe. The Computer Space Festival sets out to showcase the digital art trends and the technology-science-art synthesis. The forum is divided in two parts – a contest part and a festival part.

Centre for Culture and Debate "The Red House" & Central Military Club

26th October – 28th October

26th and 27th October, 11:00 – 18:00

Festival Part

The Red House

Free attendance upon registration

28th October

Central Military Club

Award Ceremony for the Contest Winners

Invitation only

computerspace.org

Celebrations & Anniversaries

001 Sofia Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony

Open-air musical event hosted by Santa Klaus during which the Mayor of Sofia and other dignitaries together with the participating children and the audience light the Christmas tree of Sofia.

Park in front of the National Palace of Culture

1st December, 18:00 – 20:00

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002 Stage under the Stars Concert

Traditional New-Year concert that has been taking place since 1999. It includes different musical genres: jazz, pop, rock, etc. Some of the most popular Bulgarian performers, young musicians and foreign guests take part in the concert.

Knyaz Alexander I Square

31st December, 22:00 – 01.30

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Suitable for a foreign language audience



Performances for Children with Escort



Free Entrance

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www.sofia.bg/culture

www.visitsofia.bg

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