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SCHOOLJAZZ = JAZZ SCHOOL 2012

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27.01.-4.02., Tallinn

MUSTONENFEST-BAROQUE

28.01., Tallinn

3RD INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL OF CHOIRS AND VOCAL ENSEMBLES  
"CRYSTAL CLEF"

29.01.-5.02., Narva, Tallinn

9TH INTERNATIONAL FRÉDÉRIC CHOPIN COMPETITION

# FEBRUARY

2.-4.02., Viljandi

14TH WINTER FOLK DANCE FESTIVAL

10.-11.02., Valga

17TH INTERNATIONAL MULTI-HANDED PIANO FESTIVAL FOR  
CHILDREN AND YOUNG ADULTS

10.-12.02., Viljandi

10TH STUDENT THEATRE DAYS

15.-18.02., Pärnu

INTERNATIONAL ICE SCULPTURE SYMPOSIUM "ICICLE 2012"

16.-18.02., Pärnu

BLUES FESTIVAL "THE BLUE ICICLE"

17.-26.02., Pärnu

PÄRNU ICE FESTIVAL

27.02.-3.03., Jõgeva

ALO MATTIISEN MUSIC DAYS 2012

# MARCH

3.03., Tallinn

8.-11.03., Tallinn

11.-18.03., Pärnu

19.-24.03., Tallinn

19.-25.03., Tartu

29.-31.03., Tallinn

30.-31.03., Rapla

2ND CHILDREN'S BRASS BAND FESTIVAL "MAGIC SOUNDS"

2ND LADYFEST TALLINN

CHILDREN AND YOUTH MUSIC FESTIVAL "JAM OF MUSIC"

ESTONIAN MUSIC DAYS 2012

9TH TARTU VISUAL CULTURE FESTIVAL "WORLD FILM"

TALLINN MUSIC WEEK

8TH ESTONIAN SCHOOL MIXED CHOIRS' COMPETITION-FESTIVAL

# APRIL

April, Tartu

8.-15.04., Pärnu

11.-14.04., Pärnu County

12.-22.04., Tallinn

13.-14.04., Türi

20.04., Türi

20.-28.04., across Estonia

21.04., Tallinn

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ANIMATION FESTIVAL "KLIK!ESTONIA//KLÕPS"

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4TH PÄRNU TRADITIONAL MUSIC DAYS

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"RUNIC SONGS IN NEW CLOTHES"

23RD TALLINN INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL "JAZZKAAR 2012"

YOUTH DANCE FESTIVAL "SCHOOL DANCE 2012"

(county semi-finals 26.01.-25.03., across Estonia)

6TH INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL OF SCHOOL CHOIRS,

VOCAL GROUPS AND SOLOISTS "KAMMERTON - 2012"

23.-24.04., Pärnu  
 23.-29.04., Viljandi County  
 25.04.-01.05., Tartu  
 26.-28.04., Mooste  
 27.-29.04., Haapsalu

DIVERSE UNIVERSE PERFORMANCE ART FESTIVAL  
 INTERNATIONAL DANCE DAY "DANCE WEEK"  
 TARTU SPRING DAYS 2012  
 ESTONIAN FOLK MUSIC ARRANGEMENTS FESTIVAL  
 "MOISEKATSI ELOHELÜ 2012"  
 7TH HAAPSALU HORROR AND FANTASY FILM FESTIVAL

## MAY

May, Tallinn  
 4.-5.05., Tartu  
 4.-5.05., Türi  
 10.05., Tartu  
 10.-13.05., Tartu, Elva  
 10.-13.05., Türi  
 11.-12.05., Viljandi County  
 14.-22.05., Tallinn  
 17.05., Tallinn  
 18.-20.05., Türi  
 22.05.-04.06., Narva  
 24.-27.05., Pärnu  
 24.-27.05., Tallinn  
 24.-27.05., Viljandi  
 25.-27.05., Kadrina  
 25.-27.05., Narva

ERKI FASHION SHOW 2012  
 9TH SINGERS-SONGWRITERS FESTIVAL "MAY SONG"  
 5TH ESTONIAN CONTEST-FESTIVAL OF CHILDREN'S CHOIRS  
 10TH THEATRE FESTIVAL FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNGSTERS WITH SPECIAL  
 EDUCATIONAL NEEDS "CLAY BIRD"  
 TARTU INTERNATIONAL LITERATURE FESTIVAL "PRIMA VISTA 2012"  
 6TH TÜRİ SPRING FESTIVAL  
 17TH HANDICRAFT DAYS  
 5TH KORFEST  
 FESTIVAL "MAY LILY DAYS"  
 35TH TÜRİ FLOWER FAIR  
 INTERNATIONAL JEVGENI MRVINSKI MUSIC FESTIVAL  
 9TH PÄRNU INTERNATIONAL CHOIR FESTIVAL  
 TALLINN TREFF FESTIVAL  
 16TH INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL OF PUPPET THEATRES  
 "THEATRE IN A SUITCASE"  
 8TH KADRINA INTERNATIONAL CULTURE FESTIVAL AND KADRINA COUNTY 20  
 BAROQUE IRONWORK

26.05., Paide  
 26.05.-02.06., Tallinn  
 30.05.-03.06., Tallinn  
 31.05.-03.06., Tartu

JÄRVA COUNTY SONG AND DANCE FEST  
 31ST TALLINN OLD TOWN DAYS "GATES TO THE COURTYARD OPEN..."  
 4TH TALLINN LITERATURE FESTIVAL "HEADREAD"  
 11TH FESTIVAL OF ESTONIAN COMPOSERS

## JUNE

June, Haapsalu  
 June-Sept., across Estonia  
 1.-2.06., Tartu  
 2.06., Haapsalu  
 2.06., Võru  
 2.-3.06., Porkuni  
 2.06.-1.07., Haapsalu  
 7.-9.06., Saue, Tallinn  
 7.-10.06., Valga  
 8.-9.06., Pärnu  
 8.-10.06., Narva  
 8.-10.06., Rakvere  
 8.-10.06., Viljandi  
 8.-10.06., Viljandi  
 9.06., Haapsalu  
 9.06., Häädemeeste  
 9.06., Tõrva  
 10.06., Narva

COMPOSER CYRILLUS KREEK MUSIC DAYS  
 NARGEN FESTIVAL  
 FESTIVAL OF ARCHAIC ART "REGIÖÖ"  
 SONG AND DANCE FEST OF LÄÄNE COUNTY "SMILES IN ALL WEATHERS"  
 VÕRUMAA SONG AND DANCE FESTIVAL  
 10TH INTERNATIONAL FOLKLORE FESTIVAL "PORKUNI PILLAR"  
 FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG ADULTS  
 HAAPSALU GRAPHIC DESIGN FESTIVAL  
 10TH INTERNATIONAL JAZZ-IMPROVISATION FESTIVAL "VISION"  
 VALGA-VALKA TOWN DAYS  
 GOOD FOOD FESTIVAL - GRILLFEST 2012  
 DAYS OF NARVA  
 RAKVERE CITY DAYS  
 VILJANDI HANSEATIC DAYS  
 VILJANDI BAGPIPE CAMP-FESTIVAL "BAGPIPE AND ANOTHER"  
 FESTIVAL "OPEN DOORS"  
 7TH NORTH-LIVONIAN FESTIVAL  
 2ND FESTIVAL OF THE MULK PEOPLE  
 NARVA ART FESTIVAL

10.-12.06., Saue

11.-16.06., Tallinn

15.-16.06., Järvakandi

15.-17.06., Viimsi

16.-17.06., Vastseliina

17.-23.06., Suure-Jaani

21.-23.06., Tallinn

22.-24.06., Karksi-Nuia

23.06., Viimsi

26.-30.06., Pärnu

29.06.-1.07., Pärnu

29.06.-1.07., Pärnu

29.06.-1.07., Tallinn

15TH IMPROVISATION AND CREATIVITY DAYS

7TH TALLINN GUITAR FESTIVAL

RABAROCK FESTIVAL

FESTIVAL OF WHITE NIGHTS

18TH COUNTRY FAIR

15TH SUURE-JAANI MUSIC FESTIVAL

INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL OF MILITARY ORCHESTRAS

"EST-TATTOO 2012"

BREAKDANCE FESTIVAL

MIDSUMMER NIGHT OF COASTAL PEOPLE

PÄRNU SYMPOSIUM OF URBAN PAINTERS

PÄRNU HANSEATIC DAYS 2012

11TH PÄRNU HARMONICA FESTIVAL "BALTIC-NORDIC HARMONICA"

AND CONTEST "BALTIC-NORDIC OPEN"

TALLINN INTERNATIONAL JAZZON FESTIVAL

## JULY

July, Tallinn

1.-22.07., Kohila

2.-22.07., Pärnu

4.-7.07., Rakvere

4.-7.07., Saaremaa Island

4.-8.07., Muhu Island

5.-8.07., Tallinn

MANKA BOUTIQUE POP FESTIVAL

12TH KOHILA INTERNATIONAL CERAMICS SYMPOSIUM

26TH PÄRNU INTERNATIONAL DOCUMENTARY AND ANTHROPOLOGY FILM

FESTIVAL (laureate films and itinerant programme 9.-22.07., across Estonia)

INTERNATIONAL THEATRE FESTIVAL "BALTOSCANDAL"

THE SONOROUS SOUNDS OF THE ORGANS OF SAAREMAA 2012

16TH MUHU FUTURE MUSIC FESTIVAL "JUJ JÄÄB"

13TH MEDIEVAL DAYS OF TALLINN



6.-7.07., Karksi-Nuia	KARKSI TEUTONIC ORDER CASTLE DAYS
6.-7.07., Kuressaare	NIGHT AT THE KURESSAARE CASTLE
6.-7.07., Tõrva	19TH TÕRVA TOWN DAYS
6.-8.07., Kihelkonna	17TH KIHELKONNA CHURCH MUSIC DAYS
6.-15.07., Ida-Viru County	MUSIC FESTIVAL OF SEVEN TOWNS
6.-22.07., Rapla County	20TH RAPLA CHURCH MUSIC FESTIVAL
7.07., Kilingi-Nõmme	SCHILLING - FESTIVAL OF BEAUTIFUL MUSIC
9.-14.07., Viljandi	20TH NOTAFE / FESTIVAL OF PERFORMING ARTS AND INTERNATIONAL SUMMER SCHOOL
10.-14.07., Mustjala	14TH MUSTJALA MUSIC FESTIVAL "MUSTJALA PATTERNS"
10.-15.07., Viljandi	27TH VILJANDI OLD MUSIC FESTIVAL
10.07.-10.08., Pärnu	SUMMER ARIA 2012. SYNTHESIS OF ARTS
11.-15.07., Haapsalu	19TH HAAPSALU EARLY MUSIC FESTIVAL
11.-15.07., Tallinn	TANGO PORT TALLINN
12.-15.07., Lihula	INTERNATIONAL CLASSICAL MUSIC FESTIVAL "LIHULA MUSIC DAYS"
12.-15.07., Võru	VÕRU FOLKLORE FESTIVAL
13.-15.07., Hiiumaa Island	16TH HIIUMAA CHAMBER MUSIC DAYS
13.-15.07., Narva	INTERNATIONAL BIKE FESTIVAL "NARVA BIKE 2012"
13.-15.07., Tallinn	TALLINN MARITIME DAYS
14.-15.07., Kunda	FESTIVAL OF HANDICRAFT AND COASTAL CULTURE "FAIR OF FRIENDS"
14.-15.07., Pärnu	FESTIVAL OF VILLAGE MUSICIANS "LET US PLAY AND SING TOGETHER"
16.-22.07., Saaremaa Island	SAAREMAA OPERA DAYS
19.-22.07., Hiiumaa Island	8TH HIIUMAA FOLK MUSIC FESTIVAL
19.-24.07., Tartu	FESTIVAL "GLASPERLENSPIEL 2012"
20.-22.07., Lilli	FESTIVAL OF MULK CULTURE AT NAVA FARM
20.-22.07., Rakvere	CHRISTIAN SUMMER FESTIVAL
21.-22.07., Haapsalu	YOGA FESTIVAL
21.07.-12.08., Pärnu	PÄRNU PRINTMAKING IN FESTIVAL
25.-29.07., Haapsalu, Uuemõisa	19TH INTERNATIONAL HAAPSALU STRING FESTIVAL

26.-29.07., Viljandi  
 26.07.-02.08., Pärnu  
 27.07., Haapsalu  
 27.-29.07., Pärnu  
 27.07.-5.08., Tallinn  
 28.07., Kabala  
 28.07., Vastseliina  
 28.-29.07., Jämeda  
 28.-29.07., Viimsi  
 30.07.-4.08., Pärnu  
 31.07.-4.08., Kuressaare

20TH VIJANDI FOLK MUSIC FESTIVAL "THE SONG OF MAN"  
 JÄRVI SUMMER FESTIVAL  
 ART FESTIVAL "PIGSKIN 4"  
 12TH ESTONIAN PORCELAIN DAYS  
 26TH TALLINN INTERNATIONAL ORGAN FESTIVAL  
 46TH KABALA SONG AND DANCE FESTIVAL  
 OLD TIME DAY  
 ESTONIAN FARM DAYS  
 COASTAL FOLK FESTIVAL  
 PÄRNU BLUES DAYS 2012  
 18TH KURESSAARE CHAMBER MUSIC DAYS

# AUGUST

1.-5.08., Märjamaa  
 2.-4.08., Viljandi  
 2.-5.08., Pärnu  
 2.-5.08., Tartu  
 3.-4.08., Kõltsi  
 3.-4.08., Kuressaare  
 3.-4.08., Lütike  
 3.-4.08., Pärnu  
 3.-5.08., Haapsalu  
 4.08., Põltsamaa  
 4.08., Tapa  
 4.-5.08., Pärnu

7TH INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL "MÄRJAMAA FOLK"  
 ROCK RAMP 2012  
 PÄRNU FILM AND VIDEO FESTIVAL  
 8TH TARTU INTERNATIONAL BRASS BAND FESTIVAL "MÜRSTUB PILL"  
 AIRPORT JAM 2012  
 16TH KURESSAARE MARITIME FESTIVAL  
 LEIGO LAKE MUSIC FESTIVAL  
 PÄRNU 15TH GUILD DAYS  
 WHITE LADY FESTIVAL  
 PÕLTSAMAA FEST 2012  
 2ND TAPA SAUSAGE FESTIVAL  
 ESTONIAN LINEDANCE FESTIVAL

5.08., Haapsalu	HAAPSALU SHAWL DAY
6.-12.08., Tartu	7TH TARTU LOVE FILM FESTIVAL "TARTUFF"
8.-12.08., Lihula	LIHULA CULTURE DAYS
10.-11.08., Tõrva	TÕRVA SPELL FESTIVAL
10.-12.08., Kabala	7TH INTERNATIONAL POTATOPRINT FESTIVAL
10.-12.08., Kassínurme	MYTOFEST 2012
10.-12.08., Kõsmu	VIRU FOLK
10.-12.08., Narva	NARVA HISTORY FESTIVAL "NARVA BATTLE"
11.08., Pärnu	AUGUST INSOMNIA. NIGHT OF THE ARTS IN PÄRNU
11.08., Pärnu	12TH INTERNATIONAL SUMMER FESTIVAL "MULTICULTURAL PÄRNU"
11.-19.08., Tallinn	MUSIC THEATER FESTIVAL "BIRGITTA FESTIVAL"
12.08., Narva	YOUTH FESTIVAL "N+FEST"
14.-20.08., Võru	VÕRU BRASS MUSIC DAYS
16.-18.08., Pärnu	PÄRNU INTERNATIONAL THEATRE FESTIVAL "MONOMAFFIA"
17.-18.08., Haapsalu	FESTIVAL "AUGUST BLUES"
17.-18.08., Tartu	7TH EMAJÕGI RIVER FESTIVAL
17.-18.08., Valga	4TH VALGA MILITARY HISTORY FESTIVAL
18.-21.08., Võru	VÕRU TOWN DAYS
21.-25.08., Rakvere	2ND RAKVERE CINEMA WEEK "RAKIN"
22.-31.08., Tallinn	13TH AUGUST DANCE FESTIVAL
22.08.-1.09., Tallinn	8TH TALLINN CHAMBER MUSIC FESTIVAL
23.-25.08., Tallinn	FESTIVAL "THE TOWERS OF TALLINN"
23.-26.08., Tallinn	FESTIVAL OF ASIAN INDEPENDENT CINEMA "EVA EAST VIA ASIA"
23.-26.08., Tallinn	8TH CULTURE FACTORY FESTIVAL
24.-25.08., Tabasalu	13TH TABASALU JAZZ FEST
24.-26.08., Risti	DAYS OF VIOLIN PLAYING
25.-26.08., Narva	PRESERVED FOOD FESTIVAL "SUMMER INTO THE JAR!"
27.08.-11.09., Rakvere	2ND RAKVERE DAYS OF SACRED MUSIC "IN SPIRIT"
31.08.-2.09., Tartu	19TH TARTU DIATONIC ACCORDION FESTIVAL

# SEPTEMBER

September, Tartu	INTERDISCIPLINARY FESTIVAL OF AVANT-GARDE CULTURE "ECLECTICA 2012"
September, Tallinn	AUTUMN FESTIVAL OF ESTONIAN ACADEMY OF MUSIC AND THEATRE
Sept.-Oct., Tartu	"ART IST KUKU NU UT" FESTIVAL OF CONTEMPORARY ART
1.-2.09., Tallinn	NEW WORLD STREET FESTIVAL
7.-8.09., Karksi-Nuia	5TH KARKSI HONEY FESTIVAL
7.-9.09., Haapsalu	8TH NOSTALGIA DAYS
7.-9.09., Paide	8TH PAIDE FESTIVAL "COMMON CHORD"
10.-16.09., Tartu	ESTONIAN THEATRE FESTIVAL "DRAMA 2012"
12.-16.09., Lihula, Haapsalu	10TH MATSALU INTERNATIONAL NATURE FILM FESTIVAL
18.-22.09., Viljandi	VILJANDI GUITAR FESTIVAL 2012
20.-23.09., Tallinn	4TH INTERNATIONAL CONTEST OF SACRED MUSIC "CREDO"
20.09.-1.10., Tallinn, Pärnu, Jõhvi, Keila	19TH INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL OF ORTHODOX SACRED MUSIC "CREDO"
24.-25.09., Narva	FESTIVAL OF ESTONIAN MUSEUMS

# OCTOBER

October, Tallinn	8TH THEATRE FESTIVAL "GOLDEN MASK IN ESTONIA"
6.10., Türi	2ND TÜRİ APPLE FESTIVAL
12.-13.10., Viljandi	FOLK MUSIC HARVEST FESTIVAL
15.-20.10., across Estonia	PAN-FINNO-UGRIAN DAYS
15.-21.10., Tartu	TARTU AUTUMN DAYS 2012

24.-27.10., Pärnu  
 26.-28.10., Tapa  
 27.10.-2.11., Tallinn  
 28.10., Lindora

30TH PÄRNU ACCORDION MUSIC FESTIVAL  
 PRIIT PÄRN FILM FESTIVAL  
 INTERNATIONAL PIANISTS' FESTIVAL "PIANO 2012"  
 LINDORA FAIR

## NOVEMBER

8.-10.11., Pärnu  
 8.-10.11., Tallinn  
 8.-10.11., Tallinn  
 14.-28.11., across Estonia  
 15.-25.11., across Estonia  
 16.-20.11., across Estonia  
 23.-24.11., Jõgeva  
 23.-24.11., Tapa, Lehtse

NOVEMBER DANCE FESTIVAL 2012  
 16TH ST MARTIN'S DAY FAIR  
 2ND DRUM FESTIVAL "THE WORLD DRUM"  
 16TH TALLINN BLACK NIGHTS FILM FESTIVAL  
 12TH YOUTH AND CHILDREN FILM FESTIVAL "JUST FILM"  
 14TH ANIMATION FILM FESTIVAL "ANIMATED DREAMS"  
 20TH BETTI ALVER POETRY DAYS "THE STAR-BRIGHT HOUR"  
 6TH MUSIC DAYS OF TAPA PARISH

## DECEMBER

1.-15.12., across Estonia  
 1.-29.12., across Estonia  
 2.-24.12., Tartu  
 15.12., Narva

CHRISTMAS JAZZ FESTIVAL  
 CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL "CHURCH HOLIDAYS IN ST MARY'S LAND"  
 CHRISTMAS CITY TARTU  
 WINTER FAIR

Photo: Toomas Kuusing



## January-February, Tartu

### 3RD TARTU INTERNATIONAL GRAPHIC FESTIVAL "ELIMINATING ART ACADEMIES!"

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About fifty artists from all over Europe together with several hundred works gather in Tartu in January. The festival involves all Tartu galleries and art schools. Performances, concerts and workshops are organised and papers presented. The big festival day and the opening

rally of the exhibitions takes place on 21 January. Free ideas finally get out into the street!

## 15.-18.02., Pärnu

### INTERNATIONAL ICE SCULPTURE SYMPOSIUM "ICICLE 2012"

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Teams of sculptors in the city centre of Pärnu create attractive sculptures out of large chunks of ice. They use various kinds of tools, including home appliances.

## 23.-24.04., Pärnu DIVERSE UNIVERSE PERFORMANCE ART FESTIVAL

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The annual festival travels across Europe. It starts in Pärnu in Estonia and moves on to Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Czech Republic, Germany, Holland, France, Spain, Italy, Sweden, Norway, Finland. It involves over 200 artists and unites 15 cities. The guests in Pärnu include the friend of Jack Kerouac and William Burroughs, poet Ron Whitehead from Kentucky, Steve Vanoni and Ken Siebert from California, Da Yeon Kim and Jung Hoon from South-Korea and others.

## May, Tallinn ERKI FASHION SHOW 2012

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www.youtube.com/ERKIFashion-show



KOHILA INTERNATIONAL  
CERAMICS SYMPOSIUM

ERKI Fashion Show is a showcase organised by the Estonian Academy of Arts. It presents the best works from promising students and collections from local and foreign designers. ERKI Fashion Show 2012 celebrates a special anniversary: 30 years and the 25th show. An exciting jubilee event in May cannot be missed by any keen fashion junkie.

2.06.-1.07.,  
Haapsalu

HAAPSALU GRAPHIC  
DESIGN FESTIVAL

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10.06.,  
Narva

NARVA ART  
FESTIVAL

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26.-30.06., Pärnu  
PÄRNU SYMPOSIUM  
OF URBAN PAINTERS

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Painters from different corners of the world bring art into the city environment. The artists present a joint exhibition.

1.-22.07., Kohila  
12TH KOHILA  
INTERNATIONAL  
CERAMICS SYMPOSIUM

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The symposium gathers well-known and young talented ceramicists and sculptors from all over the world, united by their love of woodfiring. In the course of three weeks, Kohila becomes a place where various cultures of the world meet, several ceramic sculptures will be created and firings take place in the *anagama*-type kiln – the biggest in the Baltic countries.

Photo: Ryan O'Walley



## 21.07.-12.08., Pärnu PÄRNU PRINTMAKING IN FESTIVAL

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htm

The festival interprets and seeks new developments in various cultural fields and gathers artists, writers and those involved in audiovisual arts. It takes place in urban space: workshops in the streets and a fair of alternative art "Prints Gone Wild". Guests include local artists and some from the USA.

## 27.07., Haapsalu ART FESTIVAL "PIGSKIN 4"

MTÜ Loomekeskus  
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The international festival focuses on appreciating the urban space in Haapsalu, finding forgotten fascinating places. The programme is diverse: Estonian and foreign performance artists, works of young Estonian painters.

## 27.-29.07., Pärnu 12TH ESTONIAN PORCELAIN DAYS

MTÜ Rääma Noorte Ühing Noorus,  
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The days offer a chance to further one's skills in porcelain painting. The participants learn from professionals; there is an exhibition and simpler workshops for the public.

## 10.-12.08., Kabala 7TH INTERNATIONAL POTATOPRINT FESTIVAL

MTÜ Potatoprint  
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www.printpotato.pri.ee

The festival welcomes everybody interested in printing, regardless of age and experience, and promotes potatoes as the main fare of Estonians through centuries.

## Sept.-Oct., Tartu "ART IST KUKU NU UT" FESTIVAL OF CONTEMPORARY ART

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ART IST KUKU NU UT is a new international festival dedicated to contemporary art in Estonia. We introduce the best of the art world, curators active on the international arena, and of course exhibitions of Estonian artists in Tartu.





## 4.-6.01., Viljandi SCHOOLJAZZ = JAZZ SCHOOL 2012

MTÜ Viljandi Vanamuusika Festival  
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The camp-festival has been taking place since 2005. It is primarily meant for young people keen on pop and jazz music, offering them excellent teachers, workshops, chatrooms and concerts. The competition of young pop and jazz musicians called The Beauty of Playing is organised for the first time. The final concert presents what

has been mastered during the three workshop days. The supervisors are on stage together with the young.

## 27.01.-4.02., Tallinn MUSTONENFEST-BAROQUE

Eesti Kontsert  
(+372) 614 7736  
tuuli.metsoja@concert.ee  
www.concert.ee

The 23rd Baroque music festival presents finely polished musical diamonds, as well as fresh and sparkling pearl shells. It starts with a bang, the Baroque opera, Handel's

"Giulio Cesare". The Estonian audiences are familiar and appreciative of Juri Bashmeti and the Moscow Soloists' Chamber Orchestra, and the Rustavi choir from Georgia. One thing is certain – every concert is a singular and powerful experience. The creative director of the festival is Andres Mustonen.

## 28.01., Tallinn 3RD INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL OF CHOIRS AND VOCAL ENSEMBLES "CRYSTAL CLEF"

Vene Kultuurikeskus  
(+372) 648 5004, 5381 3307  
sasaza@gmail.com

## 29.01.-5.02., Narva, Tallinn 9TH INTERNATIONAL FRÉDÉRIC CHOPIN COMPETITION

Narva Linnavalitsus  
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tatjana.goncharova@narva.ee  
chopin.narva.ee

## 10.-11.02., Valga 17TH INTERNATIONAL MULTI-HANDED PIANO FESTIVAL FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG ADULTS

Valga Muusikakool  
(+372) 5345 2932  
kool@valgamuusikakool.ee  
www.valgamuusikakool.ee

## 16.-18.02., Pärnu BLUES FESTIVAL "THE BLUE ICICLE"

Üllar Kallau  
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www.parnublues.ee

## 27.02.-3.03., Jõgeva ALO MATTIISEN MUSIC DAYS 2012

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www.joggym.edu.ee

The composer Alo Mattiisen who came from Jõgeva became popular primarily because of his songs during the period of national awakening. The music days dedicated to him include a music week at the Jõgeva secondary school and two competitions of vocal ensembles: the 16th competition for schoolchildren and the 1st competition for young adults.

## 3.03., Tallinn 2ND CHILDREN'S BRASS BAND FESTIVAL "MAGIC SOUNDS"

Vene Kultuurikeskuse Kunstikool,  
Svetlana Zaugarova  
(+372) 5567 9130, 5663 8300,  
641 8662  
sasaza@gmail.com

## 11.-18.03., Pärnu CHILDREN AND YOUTH MUSIC FESTIVAL "JAM OF MUSIC"

MTÜ Pärnu Kontserdibüroo  
(+372) 442 6782  
info@parnukontsert.ee  
www.parnukontsert.ee

The festival for children and young adults is taking place for the 10th time. There are concerts and workshops. The opening concert performs the all-family musical "The Snow Queen", by Olav Ehala and Leelo Tungal.



Photo: Mat Juriado

## 19.-24.03., Tallinn ESTONIAN MUSIC DAYS 2012

Eesti Heliloojate Liit  
(+372) 646 6536  
heliloojate.liit@gmail.com  
www.helilooja.ee

In 2012, Estonian Music Days focus on the spirit and enthusiasm of making a band. A band as one of to-

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day's most organic forms of making music together may initially be associated with pop and rock music, but the best contemporary music ensembles are actually driven by the same kind of mentality. The festival "Estonian Music Days", held since 1979, concentrates on the Estonian composers' most recent music.

29.-31.03.,  
Tallinn

TALLINN  
MUSIC WEEK

Musiccase OÜ  
info@tallinnmusicweek.ee  
www.tallinnmusicweek.ee  
www.facebook.com/tallinnmusic-week

30.-31.03., Rapla  
8TH ESTONIAN SCHOOL  
MIXED CHOIRS' COMPE-  
TITION-FESTIVAL

Eesti Kooriühing  
(+372) 627 4451, 627 4450  
kooriyhing@kul.ee  
www.kooriying.ee

8.-15.04.,  
Pärnu

KALLASTU  
FESTIVAL

Pärnu Ooper  
(+372) 5850 7451  
ooper@parnu.ee  
www.ooper.parnu.ee

The Kallastu festival continues the tradition of presenting the art of soprano Kai Kallastu and composer Andrus Kallastu. Besides old favourites, the audiences can also enjoy premieres of several works.

11.-14.04.,  
Pärnu County

4TH PÄRNU TRADITIONAL  
MUSIC DAYS

MTÜ Loovus-looduskoda Rannarada,  
Ülle Jantson  
(+372) 516 3133  
ylle@jantson.ee  
www.rannarada.ee

The festival includes concerts and making music together both for beginners and experienced musicians in various workshops. The emphasis is on the heritage of Pärnu County.



TALLINN MUSIC WEEK

Ewert & The Two Dragons. Photo: Raamus Jurkatam

13.-14.04., Türi

12TH ESTONIAN  
CHAMBER CHOIRS'  
FESTIVAL

Eesti Kammerkooride Liit  
(+372) 5664 7666  
katrinpuur@hotmail.ee  
www.ekkl.ee

The Estonian Chamber Choirs' Union organises the festival-competitions for chamber choirs and ensembles every other year and in different corners of Estonia. There are usually about twenty participating choirs and ensembles.

20.04., Türi

8TH FOLK MUSIC  
FESTIVAL FOR  
CHILDREN AND YOUNG  
ADULTS "RUNIC  
SONGS IN NEW  
CLOTHES"

Ulvi Tamm, Türi Põhikool  
(+372) 5669 2488  
ulvi.tamm@gmail.com  
web.zone.ee/regilaulueskuues

The participants from all over the country perform modern runic songs. The festival offers workshops and a fair. The workshops teach handicraft, weaving rag carpets, dance, mouth-organ and many other things. Visitors can enjoy birdsong at Türi lake together with an ornithologist. The chief performer at the evening concert is Svjata Vatra.

20.-28.04.,  
across Estonia

23RD TALLINN  
INTERNATIONAL  
FESTIVAL  
"JAZZKAAR  
2012"

MTÜ Jazzkaar Sõprade Ühing  
(+372) 666 0030  
info@jazzkaar.ee  
www.jazzkaar.ee

The spring festival presents the best Estonian and world jazz musicians. Jazz is performed in concert halls and in open spaces. Estonian jazz awards are presented.

21.-22.04., Tallinn

6TH INTERNATIONAL  
FESTIVAL OF SCHOOL  
CHOIRS, VOCAL  
GROUPS AND SOLOISTS  
"KAMMERTON - 2012"

Vene Kultuurikeskus  
(+372) 5663 8300, 5567 9130  
sasaza@gmail.com

26.-28.04., Mooste

ESTONIAN FOLK MUSIC  
ARRANGEMENTS FESTI-  
VAL "MOISEKATSI  
ELOHELÜ 2012"

MTÜ Folgisellide Selts  
(+372) 508 7825  
folk@polvamaa.ee  
yllepodekrat@hotmail.ee

The festival revives Estonian folk music through contemporary music projects. The competition-concert tests the performers' vocal and instrumental abilities, their imagination and technical skills. The undertaking promotes folk music in Estonian music culture, providing links between the old and the new. The patron of the festival is Ingrid Rüütel.

4.-5.05.,

Tartu

9TH SINGERS-  
SONGWRITERS  
FESTIVAL  
"MAY SONG"

Põim Kama

(+372) 511 0787

mailaul@gmail.com

kultuuriaken.tartu.ee

The festival introduces diverse music from Estonia and abroad by prominent musicians, as well as by those who are at the start of their careers.

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4.-5.05.,

Türi

5TH ESTONIAN  
CONTEST-FESTIVAL  
OF CHILDREN'S  
CHOIRS

Eesti Kooriühing

(+372) 627 4451, 627 4450

kooriyhing@kul.ee

www.kooriyhing.ee

10.-13.05., Türi

6TH TÜRI SPRING  
FESTIVAL

Iren Lill

kevadfestival@tyri.ee

www.kevadfestival.tyri.ee

The main theme of the festival is "Four Elements". The viewers can hear and watch interpretations of musical, stage, verbal and pictorial works. Besides local performers, guests are expected from Russia, Italy, Finland, Latvia and elsewhere. The Russian piano virtuoso Alexander Lubyantsev performs a solo concert. The orchestra plays Jean-Féry Rebel's suite "The Elements" and concert-performance "Diva" by Paavo Piik and Annaliisa Pillak.

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22.05.-4.06.,

Narva

INTERNATIONAL  
JEVGENI MRAVINSKI  
MUSIC FESTIVAL

Anatoli Štšura

(+372) 5342 5959

kultuur@narva.ee

www.narva.ee

24.-27.05.,

Pärnu

9TH PÄRNU  
INTERNATIONAL  
CHOIR FESTIVAL

Pärnu Rahvusvaheline Koorifestival

MTÜ

info@prkf.ee

www.prkf.ee

The festival invites choirs from Estonia and abroad. It includes a folk song competition and numerous concerts. At the opening concert the audience can enjoy Cyrillus Kreek's "Requiem".

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26.05.,

Paide

JÄRVA COUNTY  
SONG AND  
DANCE FEST

Järvamaa Omavalitsuste Liit

(+372) 385 1382

joll@jarvamv.ee

www.jarva.ee

The song and dance festival has a long tradition – 105 years.

31.05.-3.06.,  
Tartu

11TH FESTIVAL  
OF ESTONIAN  
COMPOSERS

MTÜ Tartu Jaani Kiriku  
Kultuuriprojekt  
(+372) 744 2229  
composer@composer.ee  
www.composer.ee

The festival programme includes works by younger Estonian composers. The festival club explores the encounters with contemporary music and other genres. Works by Märt-Matis Lill, Mart Siimer, Andrus Kallastu, Tõnis Kaumann and others are performed for the first time.



Abraham's Cafe, Photo: Lembit Michelson

June-September,  
across Estonia  
NARGEN FESTIVAL

SA Lootsi Koda  
(+372) 510 1723  
tikerpuu@msn.com  
www.nargenfestival.ee

June,  
Haapsalu  
COMPOSER  
CYRILLUS KREEK  
MUSIC DAYS

SA Lootsi Koda  
(+372) 510 1723  
tikerpuu@msn.com  
www.nargenfestival.ee

2.06., Haapsalu  
SONG AND DANCE FEST  
OF LÄÄNE COUNTY "SMI-  
LES IN ALL WEATHERS"

2.06.,  
Võru  
VÕRUMAA SONG  
AND DANCE  
FESTIVAL

Maie Pau  
(+372) 786 8366, 5346 5634  
maie.pau@rahvakultuur.ee  
www.werro.ee

## 7.-9.06., Saue, Tallinn

### 10TH INTERNATIONAL JAZZ-IMPROVISATION FESTIVAL "VISION"

Kristiina Liivik  
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saue.mk@mail.ee  
www.noortejazz.ee

"Vision" celebrates its 10th anniversary in 2012. The festival is meant for young people, introducing jazz and improvisation. This year's topic is bigband music. Both local and foreign performers are expected.

## 8.-10.06., Viljandi

### VILJANDI BAGPIPE CAMP-FESTIVAL "BAGPIPE AND ANOTHER"

MTÜ Viljandi Vanamuusika Festival,  
Eesti Pärimusmuusika Keskus MTÜ,  
August Pulsti õpistu  
(+372) 5665 9257  
trall@viljandimaa.ee  
www.folk.ee

The camp-festival started in 2002 with the aim of maintaining the tradition of bagpipe playing. There is always another instrument as well, for example Jew's harp, violin or zither. The campers are supervised by prominent Estonian bagpipe players and one from abroad. The festival ends with a huge concert in the Town Hall Park in Viljandi.

Celso Machado. Photo: Tiit Peterson



## 11.-16.06., Tallinn

### 7TH TALLINN GUITAR FESTIVAL

Tallinna Kitarrifestival MTÜ  
(+372) 508 6301  
tiitpeterson@hotmail.ee  
www.kitarrifestival.ee

The festival presents fascinating music and encounters with superb guitarists from Spain, Brazil and elsewhere.

## 15.-16.06., Järvakandi

### RABAROCK FESTIVAL

Eesti Rockfestival OÜ  
info@rabarock.ee  
www.rabarock.ee

Rabarock has been held in the little village of Järvakandi in Rapla County since 2005, and has an attendance record of 13,000 music lovers. In addition to top local bands, the festival has been headlined by Pendulum (AU), Public Image Ltd (UK), Gary Numan (UK), Sparks (USA), The Fall (UK), Laibach (SLO), Electric Six (USA), Danko Jones (CAN), Ladytron (UK), Anthrax (USA), Helloween (GER), Static-X (USA), Therapy? (UK), The Exploited (UK) and The Misfits (USA). Summer starts in Järvakandi once again!

## 17.-23.06., Suure-Jaani 15TH SUURE-JAANI MUSIC FESTIVAL

Suure-Jaani Vallavalitsus, Eesti Kontsert, Rahvusvaheline Artur Kapp'i Ühing  
(+372) 437 1386, 5332 1335  
kul.suure-jaani@suure-jaani.ee  
www.muusikafestival.suure-jaani.ee

The festival dedicated to composers Kapp has been organised since 1998. The concerts, both outside and inside, in the morning, afternoon and late evening, include music by Estonian composers, as well as the world classics and contemporary music. The public can also meet various musicians and composers. The highlight is always the Sunrise Concert at 3 in the morning on a bog island.

## 21.-23.06., Tallinn INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL OF MILITARY ORCHESTRAS "EST-TATTOO 2012"

MTÜ Est-Tattoo  
(+372) 502 1160  
tiit@kim.ee  
www.esttattoo.ee

The festival title rightly suggests excellent entertainment: pretty uniforms and elaborate marching. The programme includes various shows, gymnasts, orchestra music, from local as well as foreign guests. The undertaking also celebrates the Victory Day and the day of the territorial defence army.

## 29.06.-1.07., Pärnu

### 11TH PÄRNU HARMONICA FESTIVAL "BALTIC-NORDIC HARMONICA" AND CONTEST "BALTIC- NORDIC OPEN"

MTÜ Suupilliklubi Piccolo  
(+372) 5664 3401  
parpiccolo@hotmail.ee  
www.piccolo.ee

This is the biggest harmonica festival in the Baltic and Nordic countries, involving both amateurs and professionals from the whole Baltic Sea region, Europe and the USA. Among the main performers are Franz Chmel (Austria), Filip Jers (Sweden) and Philip Achille (Great Britain).

## 29.06.-1.07., Tallinn TALLINN INTERNATIONAL JAZZON FESTIVAL

Antanas Bruzas  
(+372) 5564 4512  
info@jazzon.ee  
www.jazzon.ee

The motto of the new jazz festival in the heart of Tallinn is "Good music for good people". The event aims to introduce different jazz styles to younger people. Jazz encourages positive attitudes to life. Each day presents four bands from Lithuania, Latvia and Estonia. The last day is a kind of jazz song festival with choirs.

## July, Tallinn MANKA BOUTIQUE POP FESTIVAL

MTÜ PX Band  
(+372) 5551 8590  
pxman@mail.ru  
www.manka.pri.ee



## 4.-7.07., Saaremaa Island THE SONOROUS SOUNDS OF THE ORGANS OF SAAREMAA 2012

MTÜ Helisevad Orelid  
(+372) 527 4997  
[www.helisevadorelid.ee](http://www.helisevadorelid.ee)

The 2012 Summer Festival consists of four concerts that take place in four mediaeval churches on Saaremaa Island. The performers are Estonian musicians, the programme consists of classical music and includes Estonian composers. The programme includes music by Bach,

Händel, Albinoni, Giordani, Stradella, Tosti, Gounod, Mascagni, Bizet, Stoltz, Schubert, Elgar, Süda, Türrpu, Kapp, Tubin, Pärt etc.

## 4.-8.07., Muhu Island 16TH MUHU FUTURE MUSIC FESTIVAL "JUU JÄÄB"

Eesti Saarte Kultuuriühendus MTÜ  
[info@nordicsounds.ee](mailto:info@nordicsounds.ee)  
[www.nordicsounds.ee/juujaab](http://www.nordicsounds.ee/juujaab)

The festival has been organised since

1997. It is a place where musical and audiovisual ideas are realised. There are open-air concerts and jams, original audiovisual projects. The festival welcomes everyone who is attracted to the beautiful nature of Estonian islands and excellent music.

## 6.-8.07., Kihelkonna 17TH KIHELKONNA CHURCH MUSIC DAYS

Rene Reinsoo  
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Photo: Dietmar Herriger

## 6.-15.07., Ida-Viru County

### MUSIC FESTIVAL OF SEVEN TOWNS

Jõhvi kontsertidmaja, Piia Tamm  
(+372) 5561 0512  
piia.tamm@concert.ee  
www.concert.ee/uus/seitsme-linna-  
muusika

The festival takes place for the 14th time. By using different venues, the organisers want to introduce them to visitors from Estonia and abroad. The concerts present classical chamber music, old music, jazz and popular music.

## 6.-22.07., Rapla County

### 20TH RAPLA CHURCH MUSIC FESTIVAL

PLMF Artists&Events  
(+372) 5648 4244  
plmf@plmf.ee  
www.plmf.ee

The festival which would have been banned during the Soviet occupation started in 1993 with the help of Finnish church musicians. It aims to bring good music even to the smallest country churches in Estonia, focusing on high-quality works of primarily sacred, but also

of secular repertoire. Hand in hand with Estonian musicians the festival has hosted guest performers from Great Britain, Russia, Scandinavia, Lithuania, Hungary, Czech Republic, Japan and other countries. Since 2010 the artistic director is the renowned opera singer Pille Lill.

## 7.07., Kilingi-Nõmme

### SCHILLING - FESTIVAL OF BEAUTIFUL MUSIC

MTÜ Huumus  
(+372) 5668 1339  
www.schilling.ee

Schilling has, at least in the context of indie-music festivals, a long tradition. It spreads the good vibes for the sixth time, with the help of the best Estonian and foreign bands. All well chosen to fit the very special mood of the festival. Once again, the visitor is likely to see a kaleidoscopically vivid crowd and effectively decorated festival grounds. It all happens on a warm summer day in Kilingi-Nõmme, a tiny town in southwest Estonia.



SCHILLING - FESTIVAL  
OF BEAUTIFUL MUSIC

Photo: Aron Urb

10.-14.07.,

Mustjala

14TH MUSTJALA MUSIC  
FESTIVAL "MUSTJALA  
PATTERNS"

Mustjala Vallavalitsus  
(+372) 5322 9703  
kalle@mustjala.ee  
www.mustjala.ee

10.-15.07., Viljandi

27TH VILJANDI OLD  
MUSIC FESTIVAL

MTÜ Viljandi Vanamuusika Festival  
(+372) 5665 9257  
trall@viljandimaa.ee  
kultuuri.net/muusika/vanamuusika

2012 celebrates 30 years from the first old music days in Viljandi and in all Estonia. Music is performed by local and foreign musicians.

10.07.-10.08.,

Pärnu

SUMMER ARIA 2012.  
SYNTHESIS OF ARTS

Pärnu Ooper  
(+372) 5850 7451  
ooper@parnu.ee  
www.ooper.parnu.ee

The festival offers intelligent open-air entertainment. The productions begin one hour and a half before midnight and offer excellent musical theatre.

11.-15.07.,

Haapsalu

19TH HAAPSALU  
EARLY MUSIC  
FESTIVAL

MTÜ Studio Vocale, Toomas Siitan  
(+372) 529 9117  
info@studiovocale.ee  
www.studiovocale.ee

Founded in the beautiful western Estonian resort town Haapsalu in 1994, the annual Early Music Festival is one of the most remarkable festivals in its own genre in Estonia and has caught the attention of many outstanding foreign artists. The aim is to bring our professional musicians as well as the audience closer to early music through high-level performances.

12.-15.07.,

Lihula

INTERNATIONAL  
CLASSICAL MUSIC  
FESTIVAL "LIHULA  
MUSIC DAYS"

MTÜ Lihula Muusikapäevad  
info@lihulamuusikapaevad.com  
www.lihulamuusikapaevad.com

The festival was initiated by young musicians of the famous Järvi dynasty, first of all by Miina Järvi, whose ancestors come from Lihula. It offers high-level classical music away from the capital city. Besides concerts, there are workshops, art exhibitions and theatre, in various interesting venues.

13.-15.07.,

Hiiumaa Island

16TH HIIUMAA CHAMBER  
MUSIC DAYS

MTÜ Hiiumaa Kammermuusika,  
Mart Ernesaks  
(+372) 5199 5501  
hiukammer@hot.ee  
www.hot.ee/hiukammer



## 16.-22.07., Saaremaa Island SAAREMAA "OPERA DAYS"

Eesti Kontsert  
(+372) 614 7700  
info@concert.ee  
www.concert.ee

Saaremaa Island has never had an opera theatre, but on certain days in July the public can sit in a huge opera house accommodating 2000 and enjoy a diverse programme. 2012 presents Mussorgski's "Boriss Godunov", Reise's "Rasputin", Rossini's "The Barber of Seville" and Donizetti's "Maria Stuarda".

## 19.-22.07., Hiiumaa Island 8TH HIIUMAA FOLK MUSIC FESTIVAL

Astrid Nõlvak  
astrid.nolvak@hiiofolk.ee  
www.hiiofolk.ee

## 19.-24.07., Tartu FESTIVAL "GLASPERLENSPIEL 2012"

ERP OÜ, Tartu Linnavalitsus  
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kadri.kiis@erpmusic.com  
www.klaasparlimang.com

The festival "Glasperlenspiel" ("The Glass Bead Game") directed by Peeter Vähi got its inspiration from the novel by Hermann Hesse. It is certainly a very special musical event in Estonian summer where music lovers can enjoy performers from all over the world.

## 25.-29.07., Haapsalu, Uuemõisa 19TH INTERNATIONAL HAAPSALU STRING FESTIVAL

MTÜ Haapsalu Kontserdiühing  
(+372) 5564 5969  
ingrid.arro@gmail.com  
www.hmk.edu.ee/kontserdiyhing

The festival gathers the best Estonian violinists and cellists who perform various forms of music, from classical to jazz and pop music. The festival is already 19th and takes places in surprising venues.



26.-29.07.,  
Viljandi  
20TH VILJANDI  
FOLK MUSIC  
FESTIVAL "THE  
SONG OF MAN"

Eesti Pärimusmuusika Keskus MTÜ  
(+372) 434 2050  
folk@folk.ee  
www.folk.ee/festival

The next festival is titled "The Song of Man". We emphasise male songs, a matter of honour for men, which motivate both themselves, as well

as women and children.

We are trying to encourage men to take charge – let us rediscover masculinity and see what we can do with it! While choosing our foreign performers, we concentrated on the areas where the male side of culture has been strong, such as Corsica, Bretagne, Georgia, Tuva, Quebec and several others. In addition we are not forgetting about our own inspiring performers like the followers of local male singing traditions or kasatski dancers which are unique to Setomaa. Male songs honour the man and make the eyes of the women sparkle.

26.07.-2.08.,  
Pärnu  
JÄRVI SUMMER  
FESTIVAL

MTÜ Järvi Festival  
(+372) 5656 8754  
kristjan.hallik@jarvifestival.ee  
www.jarvifestival.ee

It is one of the key summer events, offering professional master classes for conductors and orchestra players and surprising and memorable concerts.

27.07.-5.08.,  
Tallinn

26TH TALLINN  
INTERNATIONAL  
ORGAN FESTIVAL

Eesti Kontsert  
(+372) 614 7700  
info@concert.ee  
www.concert.ee

28.07.,  
Kabala

46TH KABALA  
SONG AND DANCE  
FESTIVAL

Kabala Rahvamaja  
(+372) 5300 3987  
kabala.rahvamaja@tyri.ee

Each year the traditional undertaking is innovated. Folk dancers, choirs and orchestras perform alternately with those performing contemporary pieces. The event attracts former inhabitants and guests from elsewhere.

30.07.-4.08., Pärnu

PÄRNU BLUES  
DAYS 2012

Pärnu Bluesiklubi  
(+372) 551 2969  
yllar@parnublues.ee  
www.parnublues.ee

The international blues festival presents diverse concerts and master classes for young and also for experienced musicians.

31.07.-4.08.,  
Kuressaare

18TH KURESSAARE  
CHAMBER  
MUSIC DAYS

MTÜ Kuressaare KammerFest  
(+372) 511 3118  
kammerfest@kammerfest.ee  
www.kammerfest.ee

Kuressaare Chamber Music Days – the oldest international chamber music festival in Estonia – is a popular and eagerly awaited music event and its varied concerts have formed a beautiful part of the summer cul-

tural programme in Kuressaare since 1995. Next year at the 18th festival the following ensembles and solo musicians are performing: Neapolis Ensemble from Italy, Cuarteto Quiroga from Spain, vocal sextet Unicum Laude from Hungary, concert pianist Wojciech Waleczek from Poland, artistic director pianist Andres Paas, Anna-Liisa Bezrodny and many others.

1.-5.08.,  
Märjamaa

7TH INTERNATIONAL  
FESTIVAL "MÄRJAMAA  
FOLK"

Märjamaa Rahvamaja  
(+372) 482 0075, 5656 4614  
marjamaa.rahvamaja@marjamaa.ee  
www.marjamaafolk.ee

2.-4.08., Viljandi  
ROCK RAMP 2012

MTÜ Rock Ramp  
(+372) 5377 7210  
rockramp@hot.ee  
www.rockramp.ee

## TARTU INTERNATIONAL BRASS BAND FESTIVAL "MÜRSTUB PILL"



Roberts B Band. Photo: Chris Wallace

### 2.-5.08., Tartu 8TH TARTU INTER- NATIONAL BRASS BAND FESTIVAL "MÜRSTUB PILL"

MTÜ Puhkpilliorkester Tartu  
(+372) 528 7915  
marguskasemaa@gmail.com  
www.potartu.ee

This is the biggest Estonian summer festival for musicians, presenting orchestra music, brass bands, soloists and groups from Estonia and abroad. The main guest is The Roberts Bakery Band from England.

### 3.-4.08., Kiltsi AIRPORT JAM 2012

Antti Tsugart  
(+372) 5597 5040  
info@airportjam.com  
www.airportjam.com

The largest outdoor event in Estonia  
for the fans of club music.

### 3.-4.08., Lutike LEIGO LAKE MUSIC FESTIVAL

MTÜ Leigo Kontserdid  
(+372) 509 1344  
leigo@leigo.ee  
www.leigo.ee

### 4.08., Põltsamaa PÕLTSAMAA FEST 2012

Põltsamaa Kultuurikeskus  
(+372) 520 6392, 776 2270  
irja@kultuurikeskus.eu

## 10.-12.08., Käsmu

### VIRU FOLK

MTÜ Viru Folk, Peep Veedla  
(+372) 505 6240  
peep@virufolk.ee  
www.virufolk.ee

The visitors can listen to about fifty concerts of Nordic music, participate in film, poetry and environmental programmes and enjoy a trip on the sea on a Viking boat and other unusual vessels.

## 11.-19.08., Tallinn

### MUSIC THEATER FESTIVAL

### "BIRGITTA FESTIVAL"

Tallinna Filharmonia  
(+372) 669 9940  
fila@filharmonia.ee  
www.birgitta.ee

As one of the cultural highlights of the summer, the Birgitta Festival combines the charm of the medieval Piritä convent in Tallinn, and the latest in modern musical theatre in all its variety and richness. This year's programme includes Mozart's "Don Giovanni" from Great Britain, the tri-

logy by Carl Orff ("Carmina Burana", "Catulli Carmina" and "Triumph of Aphrodite") from Mari El Republic ballet, staged by Mai Murdmaa, and many other fascinating pieces of music.

## 14.-20.08.,

### Võru

### VÕRU BRASS MUSIC DAYS

Ilmar Kudu  
(+372) 5347 2194  
ikudu@hotmail.ee  
www.voru.ee

## 17.-18.08.,

### Haapsalu

### FESTIVAL "AUGUST BLUES"

LAG Muusikaagentuur, Haapsalu  
Kultuurikeskus  
(+372) 507 7791  
info@lag.ee  
www.augustibluus.ee

The main concerts of the festival take place in the courtyard of the

ancient castle, presenting musicians from all over the world. There are also workshops and the traditional acoustic concert in the old railway station. Music is performed in the streets and cafes, until the early hours of the morning.

## 22.08.-1.09.,

### Tallinn

### 8TH TALLINN CHAMBER MUSIC FESTIVAL

PLMF Artists&Events  
(+372) 5648 4244  
plmf@plmf.ee  
www.plmf.ee

The Tallinn Chamber Music Festival, which began in 2005, is a major event in professional music in Estonia, giving audiences the chance to enjoy and take pride in the country's most outstanding musicians alongside many guests – the Lutoslawski Quartet, violinists Ekaterina Frolova (Russia) and Hugo Ticcatti (UK-Sweden), pianist Vesselin Stanev (Bulgaria) and many others. The artistic director of the festival is the well-known opera singer Pille Lill.





## FESTIVAL "THE TOWERS OF TALLINN"

### 23.-25.08., Tallinn FESTIVAL "THE TOWERS OF TALLINN"

Corelli Music  
(+372) 648 5535  
info@corelli.ee  
www.corelli.ee

Corelli Music festival "The Towers of Tallinn" brings together the history of Tallinn and contemporary achieve-

ments, introducing the city's famous silhouette through different eras of music. The towers of the city wall, churches, modern skyscrapers, the whole city is filled with music, from the Middle Ages and Baroque to folk melodies, jazz and contemporary music. Thus, architecture, history and performers - everyone tells their own stories, from the times of Lindanise and Kolyvan, to the present day. Exciting events during three days, concerts with style and elegance,

beautiful music and fascinating views of the City of Tallinn and far across the sea, can be enjoyed by everyone.

### 24.-25.08., Tabasalu

#### 13TH TABASALU JAZZ FEST

MTÜ Tabasalu Kultuuriselts  
(+372) 507 9123  
kalev@tabasalujazz.ee  
www.tabasalujazz.ee

### 24.-26.08., Risti DAYS OF VIOLIN PLAYING

Enrik Visla  
(+372) 5650 8789  
enrik.visla@rahvamuusik.ee  
viulikoor.rahvamuusik.ee

The festival promotes violin-playing in national style and making music together. Violin students of various music schools and violin-players in folk groups participate in a study camp. Besides campers, several prominent folk music ensembles perform at the concert as well.

27.08.-11.09.,

Rakvere

2ND RAKVERE DAYS OF  
SACRED MUSIC  
"IN SPIRIT"

Rakvere Kultuurikeskus  
(+372) 5820 0429  
keio.soomelt@rakvere.ee  
www.rakvererahvamaja.ee  
www.kolmainu.ee

The festival offers excellent late-summer musical experiences.

31.08.-2.09., Tartu

19TH TARTU DIATONIC  
ACCORDION FESTIVAL

Kadri Laube  
kadri@lootspill.ee  
www.lootspill.ee

September,  
Tallinn

AUTUMN FESTIVAL OF  
ESTONIAN ACADEMY OF  
MUSIC AND THEATRE

Eesti Muusika- ja Teatriakadeemia  
ema@ema.edu.ee  
www.ema.edu.ee

18.-22.09., Viljandi

VILJANDI GUITAR  
FESTIVAL 2012

Ain Agan  
(+372) 507 9909  
info@viljandiguitar.ee  
www.viljandiguitar.ee

The guitar festival presents 13 concerts. Students from Estonia, Finland, Sweden, Russia, Latvia and Lithuania participate in various workshops. On 22 September the Estonian guitar-makers introduce new instruments.

20.-23.09., Tallinn

4TH INTERNATIONAL  
CONTEST OF SACRED  
MUSIC "CREDO"

MTÜ Credo Festivalid  
(+372) 645 5197  
credo@festivalcredo.com  
www.festivalcredo.com

The 4th international contest of sacred music CREDO is dedicated to the memory of composer Gavriil Lomakin (1812-1885). The visitors can experience the rich cultural heritage of the Orthodox church. Getting to know the lives and work of people, who have contributed to the development of spiritual culture has led to great discoveries.

20.09.-1.10.,  
Tallinn, Pärnu,  
Jõhvi, Keila

19TH INTERNATIONAL  
FESTIVAL OF ORTHODOX  
SACRED MUSIC "CREDO"

MTÜ Credo Festivalid  
(+372) 645 5197  
credo@festivalcredo.com  
www.festivalcredo.com

The International "Credo" Festival of Orthodox Sacred Music has taken place in Estonia since 1994. The festival is scheduled around the Orthodox feast of the Nativity of the Mother of God (21 September). The festival aims to preserve, develop and popularize the Orthodox musical culture. Every year the festival has witnessed some of the finest

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examples of Orthodox music, from early Christian liturgical chants to compositions by modern-day composers.

12.-13.10.,  
Viljandi

FOLK MUSIC  
HARVEST FESTIVAL

Eesti Pärimusmuusika Keskus MTÜ  
(+372) 434 2050  
folk@folk.ee  
www.folk.ee

The friends of folk music gather in Viljandi to celebrate the passing of another summer and the arrival of new autumn. Singing and dancing galore!

24.-27.10.,  
Pärnu

30TH PÄRNU  
ACCORDION MUSIC  
FESTIVAL

Accordion Music Group MTÜ  
valdo.vark@gmail.com  
www.hot.ee/tremoloao

FOLK MUSIC  
HARVEST FESTIVAL



Photo: Urmas Volmer

27.10.-2.11.,  
Tallinn

INTERNATIONAL  
PIANISTS' FESTIVAL  
"PIANO 2012"

Eesti Kontsert  
(+372) 614 7700  
info@concert.ee  
www.concert.ee

The international competition "Piano" draws large crowds. The best musicians from Estonia and abroad perform diverse classical music.

8.-10.11., Tallinn  
2ND DRUM FESTIVAL  
"THE WORLD DRUM"

Tallinna Filharmoonia  
(+372) 669 9940  
fila@filharmoonia.ee  
www.filharmoonia.ee

The festival presents diverse percussion cultures from around the world and joint jam-sessions at the end of the concert. The classical day performs the best works written for percussion. The event finishes with a day of jazz.

23.-24.11.,  
Tapa, Lehtse

6TH MUSIC  
DAYS OF TAPA  
PARISH

Kairi Kroon  
(+372) 5386 8691  
kairi.kroon@mail.ee  
www.tapa.ee

The festival presents performers,  
children and adults, from various  
parts of Estonia.

1.-15.12.,  
across Estonia

CHRISTMAS  
JAZZ FESTIVAL

MTÜ Jazzkaar Sõprade Ühing  
(+372) 666 0030  
info@jazzkaar.ee  
www.jazzkaar.ee

JAZZKAAR presents beautiful con-  
certs in Estonian churches and con-  
cert halls, performed by musicians  
from Estonia and abroad.



Photo: Marko Liiva

1.-29.12.,  
across Estonia

CHRISTMAS MUSIC  
FESTIVAL "CHURCH  
HOLIDAYS IN ST  
MARY'S LAND"

Corelli Music  
(+372) 648 5535  
info@corelli.ee  
www.corelli.ee

In 2010, Corelli Music expanded its  
well-known concert series "Church

Holidays in St. Mary's Land" to a  
Christmas music festival, which of-  
fers wonderful musical experiences  
through a whole month before  
Christmas until the very last days of  
the year. First Advent concerts intro-  
duce organ, the king of musical in-  
struments; the following Advent con-  
certs bring holiday spirit to rural  
churches, manors and music lounges.  
The year traditionally ends with  
large-scale works that have fasci-  
nated audiences for years. The festi-  
val brings the colours and atmo-  
sphere of distant ages to modern  
people.

10.-12.02., Viljandi

10TH STUDENT  
THEATRE DAYS

Tartu Ülikool Viljandi Kultuuriakadeemia, MTÜ Kultuur aitab hingata tudengiteatripaevad@gmail.com  
www.tudengiteater.ee

Student Theatre Days is the only festival in Estonia for amateur student theatre groups. It takes place for the 10th time in 2012 and has always been held in Viljandi. Student theatres from all over Estonia come together every year, perform, get feedback from theatre professionals and learn different theatrical skills and knowledge in workshops. In cooperation with the Finnish Student Theatre Union, some groups always come from Finland.

10.05., Tartu

10TH THEATRE  
FESTIVAL FOR  
CHILDREN AND  
YOUNGSTERS  
WITH SPECIAL  
EDUCATIONAL NEEDS  
"CLAY BIRD"

Tartu Kroonuaia Kool, Katrin Luts  
(+372) 5663 8942  
katrin2luts@gmail.com  
savilind@kroonu.tartu.ee  
www.savilind.kroonu.tartu.ee

The theatre festival is meant for children and young adults with special needs and similar issues. Besides enjoying theatre, the participants can establish new contacts and acquire new experiences.

24.-27.05., Tallinn  
TALLINN TREFF FESTIVAL

NUKU  
(+372) 667 9509  
festival@nuku.ee  
www.nuku.ee

The Tallinn Treff Festival, established 2006, is an international festival which offers a wide variety of entertainment: dance, drama, puppet theatre, performance art, visual theatre, music and art. The main objective of the festival is to introduce the magnificent world of performing arts in its full diversity. The festival takes place on the streets and in venues near the Estonian Puppet and Youth Theatre in 1 Lai Street, filling the whole quarter with a fusion of performing arts.

24.-27.05.,  
Viljandi

16TH INTERNATIONAL  
FESTIVAL OF PUPPET  
THEATRES "THEATRE  
IN A SUITCASE"

Viljandi Nukuteater MA, Altmär Looris  
(+372) 433 4295, 527 7129  
nukuteater@viljandi.ee  
www.viljandinukuteater.ee

The festival has been offering fascinating theatrical experiences and creative atmosphere for 16 years. In addition to the main programme there are workshops, the Puppet Show Fair and the Club of Good Thoughts.

4.-7.07., Rakvere  
INTERNATIONAL  
THEATRE FESTIVAL  
"BALTOSCANDAL"

SA Rakvere Teatrimaja, Kanuti Gildi SAAL, Von Krahli Teater  
(+372) 329 5451  
rakvereteater@rakvereteater.ee  
www.baltoscandal.ee

The first international theatre festival in the Baltic countries, starting in 1990. All forms of performance art are represented. The aim of the festival is to introduce exciting innovative theatre and performance art from all over the world. Only professionalism and high artistic level set limits to the festival.

9.-14.07., Viljandi  
20TH NOTAFE / FESTIVAL  
OF PERFORMING ARTS  
AND INTERNATIONAL  
SUMMER SCHOOL

MTÜ Evestudio  
(+372) 517 9773  
festival@notafe.ee  
www.notafe.ee

10.07.-10.08.,  
Pärnu  
SUMMER ARIA 2012.  
SYNTHESIS OF ARTS

Pärnu Ooper  
(+372) 5850 7451  
ooper@parnu.ee  
www.ooper.parnu.ee

The festival offers intelligent open-air entertainment. The productions begin one hour and a half before midnight and offer excellent musical theatre.



20.-22.07.,  
Lilli  
FESTIVAL OF  
MULK CULTURE  
AT NAVA FARM

Nava talu, Lilli külamaja, Lilli  
külaselts  
(+372) 513 1691, 433 2416  
jaakkodar1@hotmail.ee

The festival presents only original plays about the Mulk people in southern part of Estonia: a poetry theatre production, a children's play and a concert of vocal and instrumental music. It is dedicated to the actor Lembit Eelmäe.

11.-19.08.,  
Tallinn  
MUSIC THEATER  
FESTIVAL  
"BIRGITTA  
FESTIVAL"

Tallinna Filharmonia  
(+372) 669 9940  
fila@filharmonia.ee  
www.birgitta.ee

As one of the cultural highlights of the summer, the Birgitta Festival combines the charm of the medieval Pirita convent in Tallinn, and the latest in modern musical theatre in all its variety and richness. This year's programme includes Mozart's "Don Giovanni" from Great Britain, the trilogy by Carl Orff ("Carmina Burana", "Catulli Carmina" and "Triumph of Aphrodite") from Mari El Republic ballet, staged by Mai Murdmaa, and many other fascinating pieces of music.

16.-18.08., Pärnu

PÄRNU INTERNATIONAL  
THEATRE FESTIVAL  
"MONOMAFFIA"

MTÜ Arenduskeskus PRO MAGISTER  
(+372) 521 4210  
artis@reiser.ee  
www.monomaffia.ee

The festival focuses on actors without whom theatre would be impossible. Mono-productions produce intimate and special contacts between the actor and the audience.

10.-16.09., Tartu

ESTONIAN THEATRE  
FESTIVAL "DRAMA 2012"

SA Eesti Teatri Festival  
(+372) 5564 4413  
info@festival.ee  
www.draama.ee

"Drama 2012" is an overview festival of Estonian theatre, curated by Anu Lamp. The main programme includes 8 performances and in addition an outstanding off-programme. Foreign theatre critics and guests are expected as well.

October, Tallinn

8TH THEATRE  
FESTIVAL  
"GOLDEN MASK  
IN ESTONIA"

MTÜ ART-Forum, Irina Lygach  
(+372) 5667 3100  
irina@art-forum.ee  
www.goldenmask.ee

The festival "Golden Mask in Estonia" is one of the most important theatre events of the year, uniting Russian and Estonian audiences. The festival shows the best Russian performances of the last seasons, which have become the nominees and the winners of the Russian Festival "Golden Mask". Seminars, master-classes, lectures are also organized during the festival. All performances are carried out with simultaneous interpretation into the Estonian language.

19.-25.03.,

Tartu

9TH TARTU VISUAL  
CULTURE FESTIVAL  
"WORLDFILM"

MTÜ Maailmafili Ühing, Eesti  
Rahva Muuseum  
(+372) 735 0447  
festival@worldfilm.ee  
www.worldfilm.ee

The festival week is devoted to carefully selected documentaries from all over the world. The films focus on issues of cultural representation. The festival with its six thousand viewers and fifty films is ideal for the small university town Tartu.



Photo: Eht Järvi

## April, Tartu

ANIMATION FESTIVAL  
"KLIK!ESTONIA//KLÖPS"

Leemmit Kaplinski  
(+372) 511 8619  
leemmit@nelk.ee  
www.nelk.ee

## 12.-22.04., Tallinn

6TH JAPANESE  
ANIMATION FESTIVAL  
"JAFF"

MTÜ Otaku, Tallinnfilm  
(+372) 5568 4239  
animefest@hot.ee  
www.animefest.ee

## 27.-29.04.,

Haapsalu  
7TH HAAPSALU  
HORROR AND FANTASY  
FILM FESTIVAL

MTÜ Pimedate Ööde Filmifestival  
(+372) 631 4640  
info@poff.ee  
www.hoff.ee



Photo: Nongrata

2.-22.07., Pärnu  
(laureate films and  
itinerant programme  
9.-22.07., across Estonia)  
26TH PÄRNU  
INTERNATIONAL  
DOCUMENTARY AND  
ANTHROPOLOGY  
FILM FESTIVAL

MTÜ Pärnu RVA Ühing  
(+372) 443 0772  
festival@chaplin.ee  
www.chaplin.ee

The Pärnu International Documentary and Anthropology Film Festival, founded in 1987, is the oldest film festival in Estonia. The initiator of the festival was the writer and President of the Republic of Estonia, Lennart Meri. Since the first time, the festival has built an efficient bridge between cultural anthropologists and film makers from the East and West. The annual Pärnu Film Festival has been run from the beginning by Mark Soosaar, the internationally recognized film maker. The festival's programmer is Vaiko Edur.

2.-5.08.,  
PärnuPÄRNU FILM AND  
VIDEO FESTIVAL

MTÜ Academia Gustaviana Selts  
(+372) 501 5672  
nongrata@nongrata.ee  
www.nongrata.ee/film/film.html

The aim of the Pärnu film and video (or film and video) is to map Estonian audiovisual landscape beyond media (film, video art, documentary anthropology, virtual media). All this presents non-commercial experimental events.



## 6.-12.08., Tartu 7TH TARTU LOVE FILM FESTIVAL "TARTUFF"

MtÜ Pimedate Ööde Filmifestival  
(+372) 631 4640  
info@poff.ee  
www.tartuff.ee

## 21.-25.08., Rakvere 2ND RAKVERE CINEMA WEEK "RAKIN"

Rakvere Kultuurikeskus  
(+372) 5820 0429  
keio.soomelt@rakvere.ee  
www.rakvererahvamaja.ee

The Estonian film celebrates its 100th anniversary. This year's festival thus focuses on domestic films.

## 23.-26.08., Tallinn FESTIVAL OF ASIAN INDEPENDENT CINEMA "EVA EAST VIA ASIA"

Helen Merila  
(+372) 564 0649  
Helen.merila7@gmail.com  
www.eastbynortheast.org



MATSALU INTERNATIONAL  
NATURE FILM FESTIVAL

Photo: Ago Ruus

The Festival of Asian Independent Cinema concentrates on Japanese independent films. The curator of the festival is an international film expert Jasper Sharp who selects movies and animation of different genres for the programme. The festival also offers lectures, concerts of alternative music and workshops to introduce subcultures.

## 12.-16.09., Lihula, Haapsalu 10TH MATSALU INTER- NATIONAL NATURE FILM FESTIVAL

MtÜ Matsalu Loodusfilmide Festival  
(+372) 551 0910  
tiit.mesila@matsalufilm.ee  
www.matsalufilm.ee

The festival promotes a sustainable way of life and respect for the traditions of indigenous peoples that are closely connected with nature. The festival is dedicated to nature and relations between man and nature. The best films are shown in Lihula and Haapsalu, and as always, several exhibitions of nature photographs are organised.

## 26.-28.10., Tapa PRIIT PÄRN FILM FESTIVAL

Tapa Kultuurikoda, Tapa  
Linnavalitsus  
(+372) 322 0061, 5559 5461  
www.tapa.ee

## 14.-28.11., across Estonia 16TH TALLINN BLACK NIGHTS FILM FESTIVAL

MTÜ Pimedate Ööde Filmifestival  
(+372) 631 4640  
info@poff.ee  
www.poff.ee

## 15.-25.11., across Estonia 12TH YOUTH AND CHILDREN FILM FESTIVAL "JUST FILM"

MTÜ Pimedate Ööde Filmifestival  
(+372) 631 4640  
info@poff.ee  
www.justfilm.ee

## 16.-20.11., across Estonia 14TH ANIMATION FILM FESTIVAL "ANIMATED DREAMS"

MTÜ Pimedate Ööde Filmifestival  
(+372) 631 4640  
info@poff.ee  
www.anima.ee

## 11.-14.04., Pärnu County 4TH PÄRNU TRADITIONAL MUSIC DAYS

MTÜ Loovus-looduskoda Rannarada,  
Ülle Jantson  
(+372) 516 3133  
ylle@jantson.ee  
www.rannarada.ee

The festival includes concerts and making music together both for beginners and experienced musicians in various workshops. The emphasis is on the heritage of Pärnu County.

## 20.04., Türi 8TH FOLK MUSIC FESTI- VAL FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG ADULTS "RUNIC SONGS IN NEW CLOTHES"

Ulvi Tamm, Türi Põhikool  
(+372) 5669 2488  
ulvi.tamm@gmail.com  
web.zone.ee/regilaulueskuues

The participants from all over the country perform modern runic songs. The festival offers workshops and a fair. The workshops teach handicraft, weaving rag carpets, dance, mouth-organ and many other things. Visitors can enjoy birdsong at Türi lake together with an ornithologist. The chief performer at the evening concert is Svjata Vatra.

## 26.-28.04., Mooste ESTONIAN FOLK MUSIC ARRANGEMENTS FESTIVAL "MOISEKATSI ELOHELÜ 2012"

MTÜ Folgisellded Selts  
(+372) 508 7825  
folk@polvamaa.ee  
yllepodekrat@hot.ee

The festival revives Estonian folk music through contemporary music projects. The competition-concert tests the performers' vocal and instrumental abilities, their imagination and technical skills. The undertaking promotes folk music in Estonian music culture, providing links between the old and the new. The patron of the festival is Ingrid Rüütel.



## 11.-12.05., Viljandi County 17TH HANDICRAFT DAYS

Eesti Rahvakunsti ja Käsitöö Liit  
(+372) 660 4772  
info@folkart.ee  
www.folkart.ee



## 1.-2.06., Tartu FESTIVAL OF ARCHAIC ART "REGIOO"

MTÜ Tartumaa Rahvakultuuri  
Keskselts  
(+372) 5567 1134  
toivosomer@gmail.com  
www.tartu.ee/regioo

The festival focuses on the earlier cultural world-view of the Baltic Sea nations and the ancient Nordic countries. The 2012 festival is the 11th. This time the topic is TALES – not only the sagas and myths, but also reflections in dance, song, crafts and music. The ancient truth and traditions in the tales are brought to the present day through an original rendition, which has been passed from generation to generation. Furthermore, the performers are given an opportunity to create new songs and music in the old tradition.



## 2.-3.06., Porkuni 10TH INTERNATIONAL FOLKLORE FESTIVAL "PORKUNI PILLAR" FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG ADULTS

Tiia Uudeberg  
(+372) 5647 0855  
tiia.uudeberg@tamsalu.ee  
web.zone.ee/tamsaluk/

The festival focuses on the topic of family, welcoming folklore groups of children aged between 5 and 15, together with their parents, siblings

and grandparents. Everyone sings, dances, plays together; folk tales and ghost stories are told, new knowledge is acquired about water, forest and limestone. Groups made up of ethnic minorities and from abroad introduce different cultures.



## 9.06., Tõrva 2ND FESTIVAL OF THE MULK PEOPLE

Mulgi Kultuuri Instituut  
(+372) 433 5206  
instituut@mulgikultuur.ee  
www.mulgikultuur.ee



## 23.06., Viimsi MIDSUMMER NIGHT OF COASTAL PEOPLE

SA Rannarahva Muuseum  
(+372) 606 6941  
info@rannarahvamuuseum.ee  
www.rannarahvamuuseum.ee

Celebration of the Midsummer Night in a genuine coastal fishing village: popular games, bonfire, good food and music.

12.-15.07., Võru

**VÕRU FOLKLORE  
FESTIVAL**

MTÜ Võru Folkloorifestival  
(+372) 5348 6502  
vorufestival@gmail.com  
www.vorufolkloor.ee

Võru Folklore Festival – this means lovely summer days in a small and tranquil Võru town with many splendid dancers, singers and musicians. This is the time of lively events: open-air concerts, handicraft fair, competition for accordion players, theatre performances, church concerts, folk evenings, workshops, night parties.

14.-15.07., Kunda

**FESTIVAL OF  
HANDICRAFT AND  
COASTAL CULTURE  
“FAIR OF FRIENDS”**

Kunda Linna Klubi  
(+372) 322 1556  
klubi@kunda.ee  
www.kunda.ee

The festival takes place in the Kunda harbour and coast and offers a handicraft fair and a diverse programme. There are numerous performers, competitions of fish frying, a party and other entertainments for the whole family.

14.-15.07.,

**Pärnu  
FESTIVAL OF  
VILLAGE MUSICIANS  
“LET US PLAY  
AND SING  
TOGETHER”**

MTÜ Pärnu Aianduse ja Mesinduse  
Selts, Aime Oitsalu, Enn Vaikmaa  
(+372) 511 9095, 506 2792  
aiandusmesindus@gmail.com

Thousands of musicians are scattered all around Estonia who keep the folk culture together. They come together in summer to play and hear others. The new part of the festival is the competition. The public can sing along.



19.-22.07.,  
Hiiumaa Island

**8TH HIIUMAA  
FOLK MUSIC  
FESTIVAL**

Astrid Nõlvak  
astrid.nolvak@hiiofolk.ee  
www.hiiofolk.ee



VÕRU FOLKLORE FESTIVAL

20.-22.07.,  
Lilli

FESTIVAL OF  
MULK CULTURE  
AT NAVA FARM

Nava talu, Lilli külamaja, Lilli  
külaselts  
(+372) 513 1691, 433 2416  
jaakkodar1@hotmail.ee

The festival presents only original plays about the Mulk people in southern part of Estonia: a poetry theatre production, a children's play and a concert of vocal and instrumental music. It is dedicated to the actor Lembit Eelmäe.

26.-29.07.,  
Viljandi

20TH VILJANDI  
FOLK MUSIC  
FESTIVAL "THE  
SONG OF MAN"

Eesti Pärimusmuusika Keskus MTÜ  
(+372) 434 2050  
folk@folk.ee  
www.folk.ee/festival

The next festival is titled "The Song of Man". We emphasise male songs, a matter of honour for men, which motivate both themselves, as well as women and children.

We are trying to encourage men to take charge – let us rediscover masculinity and see what we can do with it! While choosing our foreign performers, we concentrated on the areas where the male side of culture has been strong, such as Corsica, Bretagne, Georgia, Tuva, Quebec and several others. In addition we are not forgetting about our own inspiring performers like the followers of local male singing traditions or kasatski dancers which are unique to Setomaa. Male songs honour the man and make the eyes of the women sparkle.

28.-29.07.,  
Viimsi

COASTAL FOLK FESTIVAL

SA Rannarahva Muuseum  
(+372) 606 6941  
festival@rannarahvamuuseum.ee  
www.rannarahvamuuseum.ee

The festival introduces the customs and skill of coastal people in a picturesque village. There are work-

shops, fish market, auctions, folk games and a village party, also a regatta on the Tallinn Bay.

1.-5.08.,  
Märjamaa

7TH INTERNATIONAL  
FESTIVAL  
"MÄRJAMAA FOLK"

Märjamaa Rahvamaja  
(+372) 482 0075, 5656 4614  
marjamaa.rahvamaja@marjamaa.ee  
www.marjamaafolk.ee

5.08., Haapsalu  
HAAPSALU  
SHAWL DAY

Haapsalu Käsitööselts  
(+372) 5615 8119, 516 0445  
marju.heldema@hkhhk.edu.ee  
www.haapsalusall.ee

Woollen, lacy shawls and scarves have been the favourites with Haapsalu artisans for two hundred years. The Shawl Day presents a fashion show of woollen things and a knitting competition.

11.08., Pärnu

12TH INTERNATIONAL  
SUMMER FESTIVAL  
"MULTICULTURAL PÄRNU"

MTÜ Pärnumaa Vähemusrahvuste  
Liit Raduga  
(+372) 5648 9791  
raduga\_parnu@mail.ru

"Multicultural Pärnu" is a traditional August event. Cultural societies of ethnic minorities perform at a joint concert. Guest performers are expected from Latvia and Russia.



24.-26.08., Risti

DAYS OF VIOLIN  
PLAYING

Enrik Visla  
(+372) 5650 8789  
enrik.visla@rahvamuusik.ee  
viilikoor.rahvamuusik.ee

The festival promotes violin-playing in national style and making music together. Violin students of various music schools and violin-players in folk groups participate in a study camp. Besides campers, several prominent folk music ensembles perform at the concert as well.

12.-13.10., Viljandi

FOLK MUSIC HARVEST  
FESTIVAL

Eesti Pärimusmuusika Keskus MTÜ  
(+372) 434 2050  
folk@folk.ee  
www.folk.ee

The friends of folk music gather in Viljandi to celebrate the passing of another summer and the arrival of new autumn. Singing and dancing galore!



15.-20.10.,  
across Estonia

PAN-FINNO-UGRIAN DAYS

MTÜ Fennougria Asutus  
(+372) 644 5119  
info@fennougria.ee  
www.fennougria.ee



8.-10.11., Tallinn

16TH ST MARTIN'S  
DAY FAIR

Eesti Rahvakunsti ja Käsitöö Liit  
(+372) 660 4772  
info@folkart.ee  
www.folkart.ee

2.-4.02., Viljandi

14TH WINTER FOLK  
DANCE FESTIVAL

Viljandimaa Rahvakultuuri Selts  
(+372) 5664 4989  
vaike.rajaste@viljandimaa.ee  
tallinetantsupidu.viljandimaa.ee

This dance festival is like any other, only it takes place in winter and outside. Besides Estonian groups, guests from abroad perform as well.

21.04., Tallinn  
(county semi-finals 26.01.-  
25.03., across Estonia)

YOUTH DANCE FESTIVAL  
"SCHOOL DANCE 2012"

SA Tantsuagentuuri Tantsukeskus  
(+372) 660 2524  
koolitants@koolitants.ee  
www.koolitants.ee

"School Dance" is the most popular dance event for children and young people in Estonia, boasting the largest number of participants. Since the first in 1995, the creative dance festival is open to all styles and levels of dance. The goal of the festival is to promote Estonian dance, en-



Photo: Anu Soot

couraging interest in dance in as many children and young people as possible.

MTÜ OMA Stuudio, Tü Viljandi  
Kultuuriakadeemia  
(+372) 520 9424  
soot@kultuur.edu.ee  
[www.kultuur.edu.ee/tantsunadal](http://www.kultuur.edu.ee/tantsunadal)

cations, including public spaces in Viljandi. There is a film programme, and the dance students at the Viljandi Culture Academy invite people to watch their lessons and diploma productions.

23.-29.04.,  
Viljandi County  
INTERNATIONAL DANCE  
DAY "DANCE WEEK"

The week is dedicated to the international dance day on 29 April. A modern dance programme is organised for the schoolchildren from forms 7 to 12, and dance performances can be enjoyed in various lo-

## 14.-22.05., Tallinn

### 5TH KORFEST

Tallinna Ülikooli koreograafia  
osakond  
(+372) 641 1311  
www.tlu.ee

The festival presents the diploma performances of BA and MA choreography students. In addition to the student productions, dance performances by professional choreographers can be enjoyed as well.

## 26.05., Paide

### JÄRVA COUNTY SONG AND DANCE FEST

Järvamaa Omavalitsuste Liit  
(+372) 385 1382  
joll@jarvamv.ee  
www.jarva.ee

The song and dance festival has a long tradition – 105 years.

## 2.06., Haapsalu

### SONG AND DANCE FEST OF LÄÄNE COUNTY "SMILES IN ALL WEATHERS"

MTÜ Läänemaa Rahvapeod  
(+372) 472 5642  
marju.viitmaa@rahvakultuur.ee  
www.laanemaa.ee

## 2.6., Võru

### VÕRUMAA SONG AND DANCE FESTIVAL

Maie Pau  
(+372) 786 8366, 5346 5634  
maie.pau@rahvakultuur.ee  
www.werro.ee

## 22.-24.06., Karksi-Nuia

### BREAKDANCE FESTIVAL

Indrek Palu, Kai Kannistu  
kai.kannistu@karksi.ee  
www.tulevikumulgid.ee

## 9.-14.07., Viljandi

### 20TH NOTAFE / FESTIVAL OF PERFORMING ARTS AND INTERNATIONAL SUMMER SCHOOL

MTÜ Evestuudio  
(+372) 517 9773  
festival@notafe.ee  
www.notafe.ee

## 11.-15.07., Tallinn

### TANGO PORT TALLINN

Tango Tallinn MTÜ  
(+372) 521 4524  
tango.tallinn@gmail.com  
www.tangoporttallinn.com

The festival of Argentine tango takes place for the second time. There are dance lessons, evenings, performances and concerts. Genuine Buenos Aires tango invites both amateurs and professionals.

## 28.07., Kabala

### 46TH KABALA SONG AND DANCE FESTIVAL



Kabala Rahvamaja  
(+372) 5300 3987  
kabala.rahvamaja@tyri.ee

Each year the traditional undertaking is innovated. Folk dancers, choirs and orchestras perform alternately with those performing contemporary pieces. The event attracts former inhabitants and guests from elsewhere.

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## 4.-5.08., Pärnu ESTONIAN LINEDANCE FESTIVAL

MTÜ Rääma Noorte Ühing Noorus,  
Kaie Segeri Tantsustudio  
(+372) 445 0070, 517 9066  
info@noorusemaja.ee  
kaie@estonianlinedance.com  
www.noorusemaja.ee  
www.estonianlinedance.com  
www.linefest.com

The linedance festival aims to form the longest single dance line and break the existing Guinness record – 2354 dancers. This year the venue is new. There are also dance-related workshops, a concert and follow-up parties.

## 22.-31.08., Tallinn 13TH AUGUST DANCE FESTIVAL

Kanuti Gildi SAAL  
(+372) 646 4704  
info@saal.ee  
www.tantsufestival.ee

The Kanuti Gildi SAAL (Guild Hall) organises the 13th dance festival which has become a popular dance event in the Nordic countries.

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## 8.-10.11., Pärnu NOVEMBER DANCE FESTIVAL 2012

MTÜ Pärnu Kaasaegse Tantsu Ühing  
(+372) 5649 5471  
m\_erki@hotmail.com  
www.facebook.com/pages/  
Novembri-tantsufesti-  
val/121247304599452

The 7th Dance Festival in Pärnu introduces the most interesting Estonian productions in 2012. A special day focuses on young dancers and choreographers from Pärnu County.

## 20.-21.01., Jõgeva POETRY DAYS "CHILDREN OF THE WIND" DEDICATED TO BETTI ALVER

Kooliteater Liiblikapüüdja  
(+372) 772 1976  
www.joggym.edu.ee

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## 10.-13.05., Tartu, Elva TARTU INTERNATIONAL LITERATURE FESTIVAL "PRIMA VISTA 2012"

Marja Unt  
(+372) 5690 6836  
marja.unt@gmail.com  
www.kirjandusfestival.tartu.ee

The festival features guests from abroad as well as several Estonian writers. The programme includes meetings with writers, book presentations, discussions and lectures, a book fair and the Park Library, also concerts and film programmes.



Igor Kotjuh, Aско Kõnnap, Maarja Kangro. Photo: Kärt Kõkkur

30.05.-3.06.,  
Tallinn

4TH TALLINN LITERATURE  
FESTIVAL "HEADREAD"

MTÜ HeadRead  
(+372) 627 6412  
info@headread.ee  
www.headread.ee

The festival offers children's mornings, literary walks, competition Poetry Slam, musical and poetry cabarets, seminars, Estonian-Finnish poetry bridge, poetry service at

St Nicholas Church. Guests include such luminaries as David Mitchell, Jason Goodwin, Natasha Cooper, Thomas Glavinic, Ravi Hage, Madeleine Thien and Arthur Japin.

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maimu.valdmann@joggym.edu.ee  
www.joggym.edu.ee

23.-24.11., Jõgeva  
20TH BETTI ALVER  
POETRY DAYS "THE  
STAR-BRIGHT HOUR"

SA Betti Alveri Fond, Jõgeva  
Gümnaasium

17.-26.02.,  
Pärnu  
PÄRNU ICE  
FESTIVAL

Turundustugi, Pärnu Linnavalitsus  
(+372) 445 2868  
info@turundustugi.ee  
www.icefest.eu



25.-27.05.,

Narva

BAROQUE  
IRONWORK

Narva Muuseumi Põhjaädu  
(+372) 359 9242  
pohjaou@narvamuuseum.ee  
www.narvamuuseum.ee

Blacksmiths from Estonia and neighbouring countries share their experience, heat the iron and forge various objects right in front of the visitors. Blacksmiths compete against each other during three days, and exhibit their work. Also, workshops are organised for interested visitors.

26.05.-2.06.,

Tallinn

31ST TALLINN  
OLD TOWN DAYS  
"GATES TO THE  
COURTYARD OPEN..."

Tallinna Kesklinna Valitsus  
(+372) 645 7219  
info@vanalinnapaevad.ee  
anne@vanalinnapaevad.ee  
www.vanalinnapaevad.ee

Tallinn Old Town Days have been organized since 1982. The origins of this event are in the festivities of the townsfolk to celebrate the beginning of summer. The main character is our Old Town itself. During these days courtyards, squares, streets, coffee-shops and halls are filled with music, art, theatre and many other diverse events. One of the main aims of the Old Town Days 2012 is to remind people that behind any medieval house there was a courtyard closed to the eyes of a stranger. We reveal much that has been hidden in the courtyards, revive some moments in their long history.



Photo: Andres Toode

BAROQUE IRONWORK



TALLINN OLD TOWN DAYS

7.-10.06., Valga  
**VALGA-VALKA  
TOWN DAYS**

Merce Mäe  
(+372) 5345 3457  
merce.mae@valgalv.ee  
www.valga.ee

8.-9.06., Pärnu  
**GOOD FOOD  
FESTIVAL -  
GRILLFEST 2012**

MTÜ Toidukultuuri eest  
(+372) 504 3000  
festival@grillfest.ee  
www.grillfest.ee

It is not just a popular grill festival, but a diverse and traditional event, which welcomes everybody who enjoys interesting food in beautiful nature and a varied cultural programme.

8.-10.06., Narva  
**DAYS OF  
NARVA**

Narva Linnavalitsuse  
kultuuriosakond  
(+372) 359 9121  
kultuur@narva.ee  
www.narva.ee

8.-10.06., Rakvere  
**RAKVERE CITY DAYS**

Rakvere Linnavalitsus  
(+372) 5820 0429  
linnavalitsus@rakvere.ee  
www.rakvere.ee

The days celebrate the birthday of the town of Rakvere. During three days the visitors can participate in various events, culminating in the handicraft market in the town centre.

8.-10.06., Viljandi  
**VILJANDI  
HANSEATIC DAYS**

Viljandi Linnavalitsus  
(+372) 435 4762, 435 4755  
ivi.lillepuu@viljandi.ee  
www.viljandi.ee

For one weekend in June the town becomes medieval. A market, concerts, workshops and sporting events offer delights of discovery for everybody.

## 9.06., Haapsalu

### FESTIVAL "OPEN DOORS"

MTÜ Loomakeskus  
(+372) 5660 5860  
piret@turundustugi.ee  
www.loomakeskus.ee

During the festival the town introduces all its exciting places: museums, galleries, cafes, workshops and old houses. Visitors meet interesting artists, poets and storytellers.

## 9.06., Häädemeeste

### 7TH NORTH- LIVONIAN FESTIVAL

Aire Koop  
(+372) 446 4510, 5553 6693  
airekoop@gmail.com  
www.haademeeste.ee

## 10.-12.06., Saue

### 15TH IMPROVISATION AND CREATIVITY DAYS

Kristiina Liivik  
(+372) 516 3128  
saue.mk@mail.ee  
www.noortejazz.ee

The participants are children from different parts of Estonia and from neighbouring countries. They learn about various styles of improvisation in workshops dedicated to music, art, singing, acting and other areas. Children are instructed by professionals. The festival ends with a concert presenting their own work.

## 15.-17.06., Viimsi

### FESTIVAL OF WHITE NIGHTS



SA Rannarahva Muuseum  
(+372) 606 6941  
festival@rannarahvamuuseum.ee  
www.rannarahvamuuseum.ee

During the lightest nights of the year the festival offers enjoyable film and music in unusual venues.

## 16.-17.06., Vastseliina

### 18TH COUNTRY FAIR

Vastseliina Piiskopilinnuse SA,  
Ivar Traagel  
(+372) 509 6301  
vastseliina.laat@mail.ee  
www.vastseliina.ee/laat

29.06.-1.07., Pärnu

PÄRNU HANSEATIC  
DAYS 2012

MTÜ Pärnu Hansa Kultuurikoda  
(+372) 522 4592  
hansa.parnu.ee

The trading traditions are observed during the annual Pärnu Hanseatic Days. The motto in 2012 is "Hanseatic Days back to the roots!". Entertainment and trading is offered to locals and visitors from afar.

5.-08.07.,  
Tallinn

13TH MEDIEVAL  
DAYS OF TALLINN

Eesti Rahvakunsti ja Käsitöö Liit  
(+372) 660 4772  
info@folkart.ee  
www.folkart.ee

6.-7.07.,  
Karksi-Nuia

KARKSI TEUTONIC  
ORDER CASTLE DAYS

Kai Kannistu  
kai.kannistu@karksi.ee  
www.kultuurikeskus.karksi.ee

6.-7.07.,  
Kuressaare

NIGHT AT THE  
KURESSAARE CASTLE

Saaremaa Muuseum  
(+372) 455 7541  
rual@muuseum.tt.ee  
www.saaremaamuuseum.ee

6.-7.07., Tõrva

19TH TÕRVA TOWN DAYS

Tõrva Kultuurimaja  
(+372) 766 5332  
pille@torva.ee  
www.torva.ee

13.-15.07.,  
Narva

INTERNATIONAL  
BIKE FESTIVAL  
"NARVA BIKE 2012"

Grigori Malõškin  
(+372) 5621 5343  
grixa@starline.ee  
www.narvabike.com

13.-15.07., Tallinn

TALLINN MARITIME DAYS

Eva Saar  
(+372) 5620 1109  
eva.saar@tallinn2011.ee  
www.tallinnamerepaevad.ee

14.-15.07., Kunda

FESTIVAL OF  
HANDICRAFT AND  
COASTAL CULTURE  
"FAIR OF FRIENDS"

Kunda Linna Klubi  
(+372) 322 1556  
klubi@kunda.ee  
www.kunda.ee

The festival takes place in the Kunda harbour and coast and offers a handicraft fair and a diverse programme. There are numerous performers, competitions of fish frying, a party and other entertainments for the whole family.

## 20.-22.07., Rakvere CHRISTIAN SUMMER FESTIVAL

Rakvere Karmeli kogudus,  
Eesti EKB Liit  
(+372) 5635 8802  
heaasi@hotmail.ee  
www.karmel.ee  
www.ekkllesia.ee

The tradition was started in 1994. The festival takes place every summer in a different Estonian town. In 2012 it is Rakvere's turn. Three days offer diverse events for children, young adults, the middle-aged and the elderly, such as concerts, workshops, exhibitions, theatre, church services, sporting events and many more.

## 21.-22.07., Haapsalu YOGA FESTIVAL

Merit Raju  
(+372) 5635 6329  
meritraju@hotmail.com  
www.joogafestival.ee

The festival presents the best yoga teachers in Estonia and the yogi-monk Daniel Strausser from India. Everyone can try the main yoga

styles, listen to lectures and participate in workshops. The fair sells health food. There are concerts and joint mantra singing in the morning and evening. There is something to do for all age groups.

## 28.07., Vastseliina OLD TIME DAY

Vastseliina Piiskoplinnuse SA,  
Ivar Traagel  
(+372) 509 6301  
linnus@vastseliina.ee  
www.vastseliina.ee/linnus

The day is devoted to Estonian historical and cultural peculiarities, the

way our ancestors lived and what they thought. Visitors can enjoy and learn the skills of handicraft and cultural programmes.

## 28.-29.07., Jämeda ESTONIAN FARM DAYS

ÜÜ Jämeda Mõis  
(+372) 505 4495  
info@janedaturism.ee  
www.janedaturism.ee

Estonian farm days have been held for decades. Jämeda is a meeting place for old friends, farmers and townspeople. The event includes a market, exhibitions, concerts.



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## 3.-4.08., Kuressaare 16TH KURESSAARE MARITIME FESTIVAL

Nele Teiv  
(+372) 452 0703  
[nele@kuressaare.ee](mailto:nele@kuressaare.ee)  
[www.merepaevad.ee](http://www.merepaevad.ee)

Old wooden boats and modern vessels in the pretty harbour can be admired and taken out to the sea. The festival includes diverse musical and entertainment programmes, handicraft, fish and fly market, international regatta for young people and other maritime undertakings.

## 3.-4.08., Pärnu PÄRNU 15TH GUILD DAYS

Maarja-Magdaleena Gild  
(+372) 553 6321  
[herdis@maarjamagdaleenagild.ee](mailto:herdis@maarjamagdaleenagild.ee)  
[www.maarjamagdaleenagild.ee](http://www.maarjamagdaleenagild.ee)

The Guild Days offer a market where local farmers sell their goods and another where visitors can buy handicraft, thus supporting the long tradition.

## 3.-5.08., Haapsalu WHITE LADY FESTIVAL

Haapsalu Kultuurikeskus  
(+372) 472 4470  
[info@kultuurimaja.ee](mailto:info@kultuurimaja.ee)  
[www.valgedaam.kultuurimaja.ee](http://www.valgedaam.kultuurimaja.ee)

The most famous legend lives between the walls of Haapsalu Episcopal Castle – the White Lady. The festival is dedicated to this legend and takes place every August in full moon. A production about the White Lady is performed as well.

## 4.08., Tapa 2ND TAPA SAUSAGE FESTIVAL

Tapa Vallavalitsus  
(+372) 5559 5461  
info@vorstifestival.ee  
www.vorstifestival.ee

## 8.-12.08., Lihula LIHULA CULTURE DAYS

Lihula Kultuurikeskus  
(+372) 477 8191  
kultuurimaja@lihula.ee  
www.lihula.ee

The Lihula festival includes a medieval battle, night cinema, concerts, exhibitions, sporting events, a market and other fascinating undertakings.

## 10.-11.08., Tõrva TÕRVA SPELL FESTIVAL

Tõrva Linnavalitsus  
(+372) 766 5332  
pille@torva.ee  
www.torva.ee

## 10.-12.08., Kassinurme MYTOFEST 2012

MTÜ Kalevite kange rahvas  
(+372) 505 9049  
info@muinasmaa.ee  
www.muinasmaa.ee

## 10.-12.08., Narva NARVA HISTORY FESTIVAL "NARVA BATTLE"

Narva Muuseumi Põhjaõu  
(+372) 359 9242  
pohjaou@narvamuuseum.ee  
www.narvamuuseum.ee

"Narva Battle" is an international festival and the main event of summer that attracts the clubs of military history from Northern Europe. Soldiers in uniforms of the era of Peter the Great and Karl XII live in the war camp for three days. They are here to reconstruct one of the most famous battles of the Northern War, the war between Russia and Sweden. A reconstruction of a village of the same time period will

show everyday life of common people. There is a fair, where visitors can purchase goods as well as take part in workshops, such as making paper using old techniques.

## 11.08., Pärnu AUGUST INSOMNIA. NIGHT OF THE ARTS IN PÄRNU

MTÜ Kastan Taskus  
gea@augustiunetus.ee  
www.augustiunetus.ee

The idea of a street festival relates to the history of Pärnu as a summer resort, offering street music, night cinema, dance and theatre performances, park concerts and cafes in people's private gardens.

## 12.08., Narva YOUTH FESTIVAL "N+FEST"

Anna Kononova  
(+372) 359 1629  
www.narva.ee

17.-18.08., Tartu

## 7TH EMAJÕGI RIVER FESTIVAL

Tiigi Seltsimaja  
(+372) 736 1561  
info@tiigi.tartu.ee  
www.tartu.ee/emajoeffestival

17.-18.08.,

## Valga 4TH VALGA MILITARY HISTORY FESTIVAL

SA Valga Isamaalise Kasvatuse  
Püsiekspositsioon  
(+372) 512 1044  
muuseum@isamaalinemuuseum.ee  
www.isamaalinemuuseum.ee

18.-21.08.,

## Võru VÕRU TOWN DAYS

Inge Tolga, Heiki Kelp  
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inge.tolga@voru.ee  
heiki.kelp@vorukannel.ee  
www.voru.ee

23.-26.08.,

## Tallinn 8TH CULTURE FACTORY FESTIVAL

MTÜ Kultuuritehas Polymer  
(+372) 5831 7349  
info@kultuuritehas.ee  
www.kultuuritehas.ee

The annual festival aims to introduce the culture factory Polymer and various artists, musicians and other creative people working there. An exhibition presents art by locals and artists from abroad. A multidisciplinary series of events called "Global Container" is organised, as well as concerts, workshops, a night market etc.

25.-26.08.,

## Narva PRESERVED FOOD FESTIVAL "SUMMER INTO THE JAR!"

Narva Muuseumi Põhjaõu  
(+372) 359 9242  
pohjaou@narvamuuseum.ee  
www.narvamuuseum.ee

The last event of summer is the traditional festival of preserved food-making "Summer into the Jar!", where both local and visiting experts offer their produce for tasting. The competition takes place and is divided into two categories, preparation of savoury and sweet preserved food. Winners are chosen separately in professional and amateur categories. The best receive awards. Pharmacists give advice on how to gather and store herbs growing in Estonia and use them in food as well as for medical purposes. A book with recipes and useful hints on herb collecting will be published.



Photo: Jevgeni Timoštsuk

## September, Tartu

### INTERDISCIPLINARY FESTIVAL OF AVANT- GARDE CULTURE "ECLECTICA 2012"

Kaarel Isak, Risto Aaver, Kaido  
Kirikmäe, Rene Kaur  
(+372) 5622 6956, 5818 3434  
info@eclectica.ee  
www.eclectica.ee

The festival for people and animals  
takes place for the 9th time in Tartu.  
It does not set any restrictions and  
offers a diverse programme.

## 1.-2.09., Tallinn

### NEW WORLD STREET FESTIVAL

MTÜ Uue Maailma Selts  
kontakt@uusmaailm.ee  
www.uusmaailm.ee

## 7.-8.09., Karksi-Nuia

### 5TH KARKSI HONEY FESTIVAL



Photo: Narva Museum

Karksi-Nuia Aiandus- ja  
Mesindusselts, Leili Nael, Kai  
Kannistu  
kai.kannistu@karksi.ee  
www.kultuurikeskus.karksi.ee

## 7.-9.09., Haapsalu

### 8TH NOSTALGIA DAYS

SEE Teater  
(+372) 5669 8144, 473 3203  
see@seeteater.ee  
www.seeteater.ee

The Nostalgia Days welcome owners  
of old vehicles. They remember past  
times through exhibitions, culture  
and film programmes.

## 7.-9.09., Paide

### 8TH PAIDE FESTIVAL "COMMON CHORD"

MTÜ Ühendus Weissenstein  
(+372) 5814 5981  
rubis.leho0@gmail.com  
festival.weissenstein.ee

The three-part festival unites vari-  
ous forms of art, such as poetry,  
figurative art, music and philosophy.  
The first day focuses on folk music  
and art; the second on electronic  
music and sci-fi cinema; the third on  
the composer Arvo Pärt who was  
born in Paide.

24.-25.09., Narva

## FESTIVAL OF ESTONIAN MUSEUMS

Narva Muuseum  
(+372) 359 9230  
info@narvamuuseum.ee  
www.narvamuuseum.ee

During these days Narva becomes the capital of Estonian museums, introducing the best exhibitions from many museums.

## 6.10., Türi 2ND TÜRİ APPLE FESTIVAL

Türi Arengu Sihtasutus  
(+372) 504 3000  
festival@tyri.ee  
www.õunafestival.ee

## 15.-21.10., Tartu TARTU AUTUMN DAYS 2012

MTÜ Tartu Üliõpilasmaja  
(+372) 5813 0301  
www.studentdays.ee

Tartu Autumn Days offer a fascinating programme full of culture and entertainment for participants, students as well as visitors. The programme invites everyone to enjoy themselves. Tartu Autumn Days bring together international and national students studying in Estonia. They get involved in common exciting activities.

## 28.10., Lindora LINDORA FAIR

Vastseliina Piiskoplinnuse SA, Ivar Traagel  
(+372) 609 6301  
linnus@vastseliina.ee  
www.vastseliina.ee/linnus

## 8.-10.11., Tallinn 16TH ST MARTIN'S DAY FAIR

Eesti Rahvakunsti ja Käsitöö Liit  
(+372) 660 4772  
info@folkart.ee  
www.folkart.ee

## 2.-24.12., Tartu CHRISTMAS CITY TARTU

Tiigi Seltsimaja  
(+372) 736 1561  
info@tiigi.tartu.ee  
joululinn.tartu.ee

## 15.12., Narva WINTER FAIR

Narva Muuseumi Põhjaõu  
(+372) 359 9242  
pohjaou@narvamuuseum.ee  
www.narvamuuseum.ee



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