

ACTIVITIES PROGRAM CHRISTMAS 2022



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HISTORIC GARZONI GARDEN

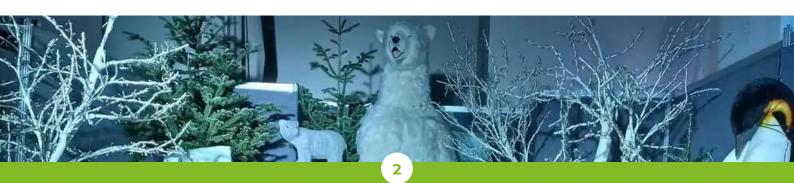
COLLODI, ITALY | DECEMBER - JANUARY

The visit includes the following attractions, lasting until January 8th:

- THE POLAR LANDSCAPE
- SANTA'S THRONE
- SANTA'S SLEIGH

In addition, Pinnochio's Park also has a wide range of Christmas activities related to Santa Claus and movie characters.





REGGIA DI CASERTA

CASERTA, ITALY | DECEMBER

CULTURE | CHRISTMAS ACTIVITIES

DECEMBER, 8 | CAMPANA PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA CONCERT

On 8 December at 17.30, the Campana Philharmonic Orchestra will enliven the visit with a concert in the Upper Vestibule.

Giuseppe Carotenuto, violin, and Luca Improta, viola, directed by Daniel Somogyi-Toth, will perform Oderigi Lusi | Like a flash, meditation for orchestra loosely based on "The Rime of the Ancient Mariner" by Samuel Taylor Coleridge on the 200th anniversary of his birth; Max Bruch | Double Concerto for violin, viola and orchestra in E minor op. 88; Ludwig van Beethoven | Symphony no. 5 op. 67 in C minor.



DECEMBER, 11, 18, 26 | CHAMBER ORCHESTRA OF THE CITY OF CASERTA WITH THE MATINEE OF MUSICAL AUTUMN CONCERT

On 11, 18 and 26 December it will be the turn of the Chamber Orchestra of the city of Caserta with the Matinèe of musical Autumn at the Palatine Chapel. The Orchestra, conducted by Antonino Cascio, will host three young winners of the most important international competitions - the violinist Kevin Zhu, the clarinetist Anna Paulová, the cellist Ettore Pagano and the pianist Bruno Canino. The programs will feature music by Mozart, Haydn and rarities by Mayr, Stamitz and Kozeluh.

DECEMBER, 17 | REGGIA EXPRESS

On 17 December, the appointment with the historic train of the Reggia Express returns. Get on board the train with an electric locomotive and Centoporte carriages from the 1930s to get from Naples Central Station to Caserta and visit the Vanvitellian Complex with a discounted ticket.



CASTELLO DI MIRAMARE

TRIESTE, ITALY | DECEMBER

CULTURE | CHRISTMAS CONCERT

IN THE THRONE ROOM

On Monday 19 December, at 20:00, the traditional Christmas Concert returns in collaboration with Società dei Concerti Trieste.

Tickets: Show at a cost of 10 euros + regular entrance ticket to the Museum.

Info and reservations: visit the website or write to production@societadeiconcerti.net or call 040 362 408.

Please, read more info here



CULTURE | SPECIAL OPENING SUNDAY 1ST JANUARY 2023

Like every first Sunday of the month, state museums, archaeological parks and places of culture will guarantee free access to all visitors who will thus be able to benefit from a unique initiative to promote knowledge of Italy's cultural heritage.

For the occasion, the Historical Museum and the Miramare Castle Park will remain extraordinarily open on Sunday 1 January.

Hours: Castle 9.00-19.00 / Park 8.00 – 16.00



VILLA D'ESTE & VILLA ADRIANA

TIVOLI, ITALY | DECEMBER

These are the events scheduled at the Institute:

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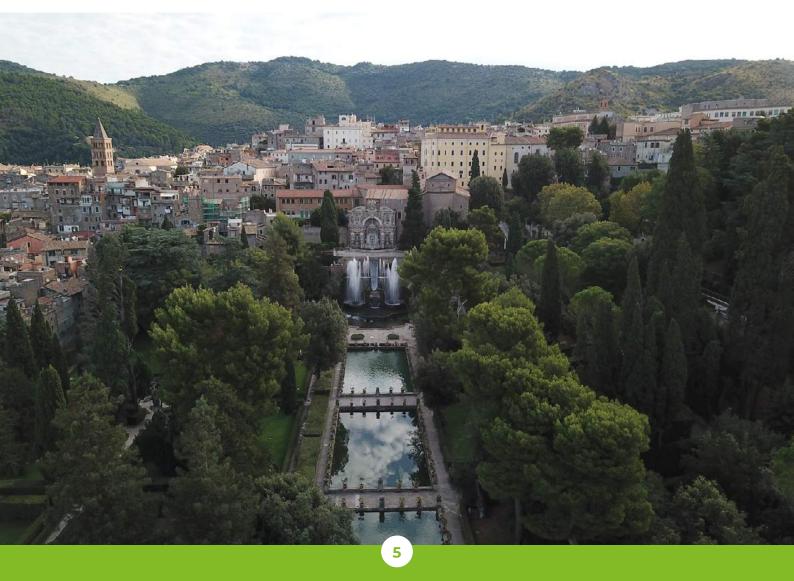
VILLA D'ESTE

LUCREZIA BORGIA'S TEARS

VILLA ADRIANA

ANTINO'S PROMENADE







SANTA CLOTILDE GARDENS

LLORET DE MAR, SPAIN | DECEMBER

CHILDREN | FAMILY GYMKHANA

It is a family gymkhana, in which the boys and girls, helped by the elves of the forest, have to look for the naughty "Tió", who has hidden in the gardens.

Dates: 3, 4, 6, 8, 10 and 11 of December.

Schedule: at 11:30h.

Language: Catalan.

General conditions of participation:

- The registration will be effective upon formalizing the payment
- Minors must also purchase a ticket
- · It is necessary to show proof of purchase



ALHAMBRA AND GENERALIFE HISTORIC GARDENS

GRANADA, SPAIN | DECEMBER

EDUCATION | LEARNING
EXPERIENCES IN "LA ALHAMBRA
Y EL GENERALIFE"

Christmas is a perfect period to carry out educational experiences in which, from a playful, fun and creative perspective, families can broaden cultural knowledge, delve into diversity issues and share concerns. From this starting point, the Board of the Alhambra and Generalife launches a series of proposals aimed at learning and enjoying together.

Please, read more info here



CULTURE | CHRISTMAS IN THE MUSEUM

Through participatory and creative game dynamics, we will discover the most representative pieces of the Museum. Delving into the way of life and culture of the people who inhabited the monument. The families will make a creative proposal aimed at intervening in a space of the Museum itself. The monitoring of the creation, as well as the final result, will be shown on the official website of the "Patronato": www.alhambra-patronato.es and in the virtual exhibition that will take place to commemorate International Museum Day.

Dates: December 24, 28, 29, 30, 31 and January 4, 5



FINCA RAIXA

BUNYOLA, SPAIN | DECEMBER

EDUCATION & CULTURE | CHRISTMAS AT RAIXA GARDENS

DECEMBER, 17 | WORKSHOP ON RECYCLED TOYS

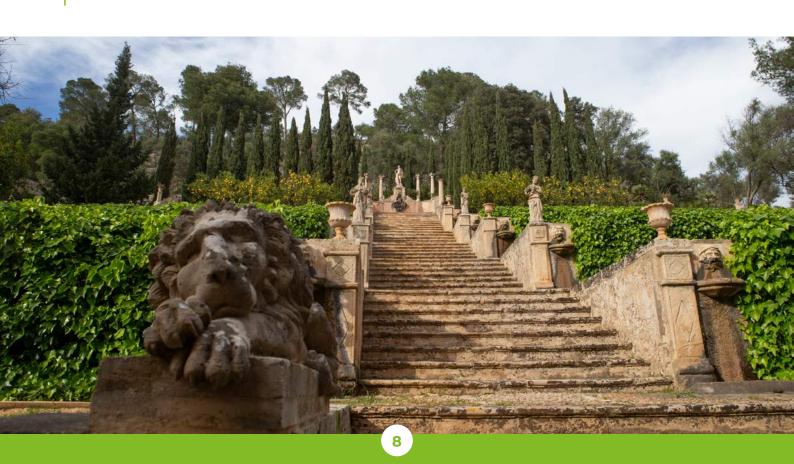
Children will enjoy manufacturing handmade gifts using materials easily found at home. Schedule: 11:00h.

DECEMBER, 29 | CONCERT OFFERED BY THE CHILDREN'S CHOIR

The children's choir of the *Teatre Principal* will perform a repertoire of traditional Christmas carols. Schedule: 12:30

DECEMBER, 30 | WORKSHOP ON LOCAL CHRISTMAS FOOD

Discovering traditional Christmas dishes made with local, seasonal and organic products. Schedule: 11:00h.





MUSEUM OF KING JAN III'S PALACE AT WILANÓW

WILANÓW, POLAND | DECEMBER

CULTURE | ROYAL GARDEN OF LIGHT

Dates: Open from October 8, 2022 until February 26, 2023

The Royal Garden of Light at the Museum of King Jan III's Palace at Wilanów is an outdoor exhibition where thousands of multi-coloured diodes have been shaped into artful light sculptures. Their installations are bound to brighten up dull wintry evenings, and satisfy kids

and adults alike! Please, read more info here



EDUCATION | CHRISTMAS EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMME

This year, as part of the 'Open Museum' project, the Palace invited guests from Ukraine to join them in their Christmas preparations.

WORKSHOP | CHRISTMAS RIBBON EMBROIDERY

Workshops addressed to everyone who wants to learn the technique of embroidery with ribbons, and at the same time feel the festive mood. We will use the following stitches: detached chain, french knot, ribbon stitch, ribbon stitch folded, ribbon stitch looped and side, straight stitch.

The course includes two meetings.

For whom: youth, adults / When: December 5 and 12, at 18.00–21.00 / Where: Lanci's House / Tickets: PLN 240

Please, read more here

WORKSHOP

| CHRISTMAS EMBROIDERIES - IN THE WORLD OF UKRAINIAN CROSS-STITCH

What can decorate a house more beautifully than a hand-made ornament? This time needles and threads will help us. Thanks to them, we will use cross-stitch stitches and create unique decorations.

For whom: children (over 12 years old), teenagers, adults / When: December 14, at 17.00-20.00h / Where: Lanci's Cottage

Admission: Free. Tickets available at the museum box office or online. The number of places is limited.



WORKSHOP | WAX PLAQUE MAKING WORKSHOP

The Palace invites you to a fragrant workshop of creating Wilanów wax tablets. We will immerse aromatic essential oils together with plant fragments in natural waxes. During the December edition of the workshop, they will immerse themselves in woody, spicy and citrus scents, inherent in the richness of the vegetation of the Wilanów gardens and the history of the royal couple.

For whom: children, teens, adults / When: December 9, 10, 16 from 12.00–14.00 / Where: Pumping Station / Tickets: Free. Tickets available at the museum box office or online. The number of places is limited.

Please, read more here

WORKSHOP | WORKSHOPS FOR THE PREPARATION OF GRAIN HANGERS FOR BIRDS

They say the best gift is the one you make yourself. Why not give gifts to our winged friends as well? During a family meeting, they will prepare grainy pendants that will later allow you to spend time together watching birds. They will also learn whether and how to feed the animals. They will go for a walk in the gardens to see what birds are fed.

For whom: children (over 12 years old), teenagers, adults / When: December 10, at 10.00–12.00 / Where: Oficyna Kitchen / Admission: Free. Tickets available at the museum box office or online. The number of places is limited.

WORKSHOP | EVERYONE SENDS WISHES TO EVERYONE... ABOUT THE CUSTOM OF SENDING CHRISTMAS CARDS

At Christmas, we all send wishes to each other, but we are slowly moving away from the traditional forms. We are increasingly sending wishes electronically. Few people cultivate the beautiful custom of sending them on paper anymore. A handmade Christmas card with a handwritten note sent before Christmas is the best gift we can give a loved one. And let us not forget that greetings have for centuries been treated in a special way in our culture because of our belief in the power of words to make things happen.

For whom: children (over 8 years old), teenagers, adults / When: December 11 from 11.00-13.00 or 14.00-16.00 / Where: Scriptorium Villa Nova (Lanci's Cottage)

Admission: Free. Tickets available at the museum box office or online. The number of places is limited.



WORKSHOP | CANDLE MAKING WORKSHOP

Pre-Christmas rush, or maybe a conscious slowing down of the rhythm of the day and the need for closeness with friends? Let's meet at the museum, let's create natural and fragrant candles, good for a gift, scented with natural essential oils. At this year's candle making workshops, we will learn more about Eastern Christian rituals and look at the royal couple in a slightly different way.

For whom: youth, adults / When: December 15, at 16.00–18.00 / Where: Pompownia / Tickets: Free. Tickets available at the museum box office or online. The number of places is limited.

Please, read more here

WORKSHOP | SPIDERS AND DIDUCHY - CHRISTMAS TRADITIONS IN THE HOUSES OF EASTERN AND WESTERN RITES

Before the appearance of the Christmas tree, decorations made of sheaves of cereals reminded of Christmas at home. Sheaves called, depending on the region, the straw king or diduch appeared in the corners of the rooms. Under the ceiling, intricate shapes of spiders or podłaźniks flaunted. During the workshop we will look at these traditions and try to make straw decorations ourselves.

For whom: children (over 8 years old), teenagers, adults / When: December 17, at 11.00-14.00 - December 20 at 17.00-20.00 / Where: Kitchen Outbuilding & Lanci's cottage / Admission: Free.

WORKSHOP | IN THE ROYAL WORKSHOP OF BAUBLES

In the Wilanów bauble workshop, we will create unique Christmas tree decorations with decorative motifs from the interiors of the royal residence. We will also be inspired by the original decorations of everyday objects from the museum collection. To make decorations we will use pens with a nib and colored inks.

For whom: children (over 8 years old), teenagers, adults

When: December 18, at 11.00-13.00 and 14.00-16.00

Where: Scriptorium Villa Nova (Lanci's House)

Admission: Free. Tickets available at the museum box office or online. The number of places is limited.



WORKSHOP | CHRISTMAS INCENSE

Myrrh, frankincense and... what did the wise men from the East bring to baby Jesus? Did the baby really get gold? We will tell you about this and other fascinating aromatic stories during Christmas incense workshops. We will get acquainted with the smells of resins, dried leaves and spices. We will create two incense based on plants already described in antiquity.

For whom: children, teenagers, adults. / When: December 29; time. 12.00–14.00 / Where: Pumping station. / Admission: Free. Tickets available at the museum box office or online. The number of places is limited.

Please, read more here

WORKSHOP | WILANÓW MEDALLIONS DECOUPAGE WORKSHOP

Royal chambers or walks through the Wilanów gardens can enchant. The senses delight in the view of the most valuable works of art, the richness of decorations and the riot of colors. Instead of the hustle and bustle of the city, you can hear the sound of the wind and the rustling of leaves. Is it possible to keep these special moments longer and enjoy them at home? Is it possible to close this fascinating microworld in a magical glass ball? Let's try to do it during the workshop, during which we will make unusual baubles. Through the transparent cover we can see the snow-covered Chinese gazebo, the Pumping House, a playful putto, and even the Wilanów Palace!

When: December 4.

CULTURE | "TODAY IN BETHLEHEM" - AN EVENING OF POLISH AND UKRAINIAN CAROLS

During the concert, we will listen to Christmas carols and songs: Dobryj Wieczier, Nova radist, Yes morning, morning, Old year is passing, In the city of Bethlehem, Oh, moire, moire, Diva Mary, the Orthodox church, Amid the night silence, Oh baby, baby, Today in Bethlehem, When the pretty Virgin, Silent night, Poor silent, God is born.

- The concert will feature: Zbigniew Tupczyński conductor, music director
- Soloists: Anna Mianowska soloist with the Żytomierz Philharmonic (Ukraine); Magdalena Schabowska – soloist of the choir of the National Philharmonic in Warsaw
- Instrumental ensemble composed of: Emil Zwoliński piano; Artur Maciejewski
 accordion; Grzegorz Bieżanek violin
- · Vocal ensemble Ars Chori conducted by Zbigniew Tupczyński
- The concert will be led by Marcin Kumosiński, who will talk about Polish and Ukrainian Christmas traditions.

For whom: youth, adults / When: December 28, at 17.00 / Where: White Room / Tickets: Free.

NATIONAL MUSEUM IN WARSAW-NIEBOROW AND ARKADIA

NIEBOROW AND ARKADIA, POLAND | DECEMBER

EDUCATION

CHRISTMAS TREE DECORATION

Employees from the Education Department in Museum in Nieborów and Arkadia, together with students from the Primary School in Nieborów, will decorate the Christmas tree of the Cour d'honneur in front of the Palace in Nieborów.

Earlier, children will prepare Christmas decorations: chains, green girlands and lanterns, bird feeders, which we will hang on an 8 m high tree. Our Christmas tree will serve as a large bird feeder, because there will also be balls of fat with seeds and dried fruit for birds to eat.

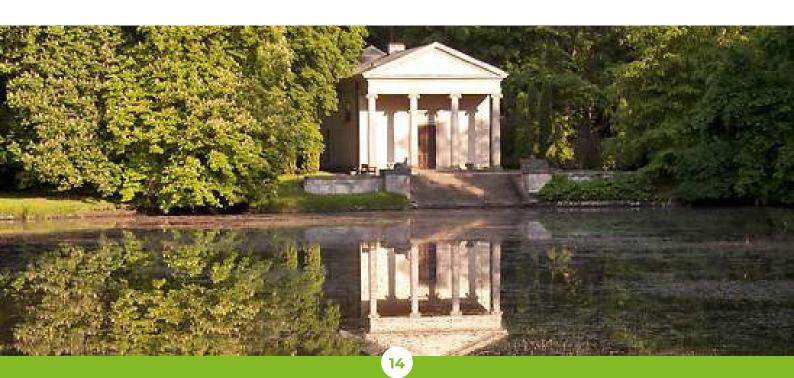
When: December 7th 2022 at 9 am

EDUCATION

WORKSHOP ON "ECO STAR - GARDEN-INSPIRED CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS"

Art workshops are aimed at families, they will be booked. Together with the participants, we will make decorations for the holidays, using natural materials.

When: December 17th 2022 at 10:15 am



PORTUGAL



PARQUES DE SINTRA

SINTRA, PORTUGAL | DECEMBER

EDUCATION | "THE QUINTINHA PREPARES CHRISTMAS"

It will be an opportunity for the family to start preparing the most magical night of the year, creating a decoration made with natural elements, while baking the sweet bread that everyone has prepared with the farm's aromatic herbs in the wood-fired oven.

When: 3rd of December, at 10:30 am and 3:00 pm / Where: Quintinha de Monserrate / Price: 12€ / Duration: 2h.

Please, read more info here

TICKETS



CULTURE | GUIDED VISIT TO **PENINHA SANCTUARY**

Often shrouded in fog, the Sanctuary of Peninha often arouses the curiosity of those who travel the western slope of the Serra de Sintra, overlooking Cabo da Roca. It will now be possible to get to know this historic place with a new mediated visit. After contextualizing the place, participants are invited to explore the ruins of the Chapel of São Saturnino and get to know the interior of the Chapel of Nossa Senhora da Peninha, on a journey that addresses the history, legends and natural surroundings of the space.

When: December 11, at 10:00 am and 11:30 am / Where: Sanctuary of Peninha / Price: 7,5€ (Youth (6-12 years old) - Free / Duration: 1h.

Please, read more info here

TICKETS



EDUCATION "A ROYAL CHRISTMAS AT PENA PALACE"

This activity is framed by the reconstitution of the Christmas Tree of King Fernando II. As has been the case in recent years, the "Pinheiro da Pena" will be on display in the Main Hall of the National Palace of Pena, from November 27th, the first Sunday of Advent, until Epiphany, January 6th. At the time he reigned, with D. Maria II, Christmas at the Palácio das Necessidades was celebrated around a pine tree brought purposely from Parque da Pena, in Sintra. The memory of those nights was left by D. Fernando II through two engravings of his authorship and it was these engravings, accompanied by a wide historical investigation, that allowed the reconstitution to be carried out with rigor. This installation reminds us of what Christmas was like in other times and includes scale reproductions of the decoration - fruits, candles and animal figures - and toys.

When: December 17, at 15.00 / Price: 12€ (Youth (<4 years) - Free / Duration: 1h.





CULTURE | GIFT PACKAGES

This Christmas, Parques de Sintra proposes gift packages for those who enjoy delighting friends and family with unique experiences. Designed for families and for two, these vouchers include different ways of discovering Sintra's heritage. You can offer unforgettable family experiences, with activities for kids and adults alike, and unique moments, in which you may have the Palace of Pena all to yourself. The purchase of these vouchers is done online, and you can also customize your gift with a Happy Holidays card. These vouchers are gifted at Christmas, but they will live forever in the each and everyone's memory.

In the Parques de Sintra online store you can also discover a large number of gifts that will make history, from books, accessories, household and decoration items, toys and stationery, all alluding to the natural and cultural heritage of Sintra. Here you will also find exclusive collections, such as "Sintra Magic", which, as the name implies, is inspired by the magical atmosphere that makes Sintra a unique place. This original, colorful and vibrant line transposes the essence of Sintra into various articles for daily use and is especially conceived for lovers of Sintra.

And because the Holiday season is to be spent with those who are most dear to us, we challenge you to also take advantage of the program that we have created especially with you in mind. It includes new experiences especially dedicated to Christmas, so that Sintra's parks and monuments can be a part of your own history.

Please, read more info here

BUY VOUCHERS AND BOOK EXPERIENCES





INSEL MAINAU

LAKE CONSTANCE, GERMANY | DECEMBER - FEBRUARY

CULTURE | CHRISTMAS GARDEN INSEL MAINAU

After its successful premiere in winter 2021, Christmas Garden Insel Mainau opens its doors again this year to bring light to the dark season. The Christmas Garden is a winter oasis where friends, colleagues, couples and the whole family can spend an evening in an atmospheric setting. The Christmas Garden takes you on a two-kilometre-long circular trail through the garden island of Mainau, with numerous glittering light installations transporting you to a magical Christmas world.



GASTRONOMY | SWEDISH **CHRISTMAS BUFFET**

In November and December, the chefs from Mainau Island will spoil you with a traditional Swedish Christmas buffet, the "Julbord" in the Comturey restaurant. After a welcome glögg, there are delicacies from the traditional 6-part buffet. Enjoy fish specialties and traditional Swedish treats like köttbullar (meatballs). The meal is rounded off, for example, with Swedish almond cake, cherry cake and gingerbread mousse from the Swedish cheese and dessert buffet.

Saturday / Time: 18:00h / Price: €65.00 per person (Children up to 3 years free of charge 4 to 12 years €33.00 from 13 years regular price)

When: 17 November to 23 December 2022 from Thursday to



Please, read more info here

CHILDREN | INTERACTIVE TOY **EXHIBITION IN THE CASTLE IN COOPERATION WITH KOSMOS**

In the winter exhibition on Mainau Island, young and old can get to know the whole KOSMOS and even play, experiment, read and solve puzzles in the exhibition. And on the Advent weekends there is an additional program that invites children aged 6 and over to take part.

The exhibition rooms are open daily:

November 24, 2022 to January 8, 2023*: 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m

January 9 to February 12, 2023: 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

* On December 24 and 31, 2022, the exhibition can be visited from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.



HERRENHÄUSER GÄRTEN

HANNOVER, GERMANY | DECEMBER

CULTURE | CHRISTMAS CONCERT
BY THE LOWER SAXONY STATE
ORCHESTRA CONDUCTED BY
HOLLY HYUN CHOE

For this year's Christmas concert in Herrenhausen, the State Opera has hired a young, up-and-coming conductor: Holly Hyun Choe, born in Seoul in 1991 and raised in California, was Paavo Järvi's assistant at the Tonhalle Orchestra Zurich for two years before the chamber orchestra Ensemblepeller took her up in the summer appointed "Principal Conductor" this year. After appearances with the Orchester de Paris and the Basel Symphony Orchestra, she will make her debut in 2022/23 at the Komische Oper Berlin, the Hamburg and Darmstadt State Orchestras and the Potsdam Chamber Academy.

The Iranian harpsichordist Mahan Esfahani could be won as a guest soloist - an outstanding virtuoso on his instrument and a border crosser between old and new music. Together they have put together a suitable Christmas program full of discoveries for the concert in the gallery building: two baroque Christmas music pieces by Giuseppe Sammartini and Francesco Manfredini, two harpsichord concertos by Johann Christian Bach and Joseph Haydn and a late symphony by Johann Stamitz - a musical jewel of the early classical "Mannheimer School".



PROGRAM

- Giuseppe Sammartini (1695 1750) | Concerto grosso in G minor, Op. 5 No. 6)
- Joseph Haydn (1732 1809) | Harpsichord Concerto in G major, Hob. XVIII:4
- Francesco Manfredini (1684 1762) | Sinfonia da chiesa in D major, Op. 2 No. 12 Pastorale per il santissimo natale
- Johann Christian Bach (1735 1782) | Harpsichord Concerto in E flat major, Op. 7 No. 5
- Johann Stamitz (1717 1757) | Symphony in G major, Op. 3 No. 3

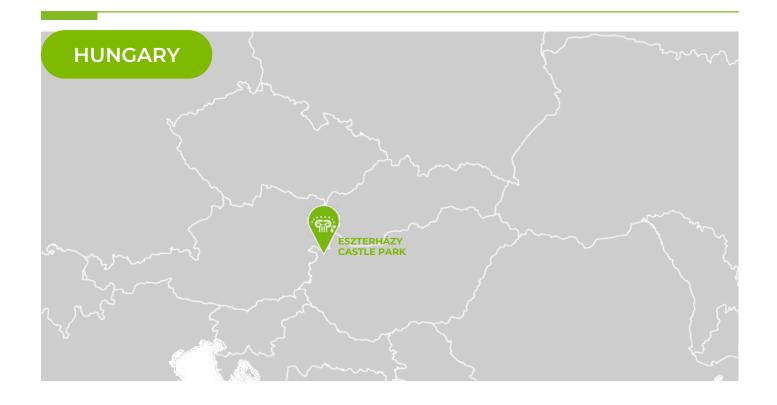


NATIONAL GARDENS OF ATHENS

ATHENS, GREECE | DECEMBER

"CONTEMPORARY ARTS AND CULTURE/ AUGMENTED REALITY" | "SEEING THE INVISIBLE"

"Seeing the Invisible" is a contemporary art exhibition, that was initiated in 2021 by the Jerusalem Botanical Gardens in partnership with Outset Contemporary Art Fund, with the support of Jerusalem Foundation. The exhibition can only be viewed upon visiting the garden and through the free Seeing the Invisible mobile app. Viewers are invited to explore the National Garden and actively locate the augmented reality artworks scattered throughout the garden by following the map that appears on their screens. The exhibition features fourteen augmented reality (AR) works by established artists from various countries, including a special commission that was made to Greek artist, Loukia Alavanou, which is only on view at the National Garden, Athens. The participating artists are: Loukia Alavanou, Refik Anadol, El Anatsui, Ori Gersht, Isaac Julien CBE RA, Mohammed Kazem, Sigalit Landau, Daito Manabe, Sarah Meyohas, Mel O'Callaghan, Pamela Rosenkranz, Timur Si-Qin, Jakob Kudsk Steensen, Ai Weiwei. Setting these digital experiences inside gardens, without disturbing the preservations, and keeping the carbon footprint to a minimum, the exhibition addresses themes pertaining to nature, environment, and sustainability and explores the boundaries and connections between art, technology, and nature.



ESZTERHÁZY CASTLE PARK

FERTŐD, HUNGARY | DECEMBER

CULTURE | CANDLE LIGHTING IN THE COURTYARD

NOVEMBER, 8 (17:00) | THE BRASS QUARTET OF THE JOSEPH HAYDN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL OF ARTS PARTICIPATES

DECEMBER, 3 (17:00) | THE SZENT ANDRÁS CHAMBER CHOIR OF FERTŐD PARTICIPATES

DECEMBER, 10 (17:00) | THE GERMAN NATIONALITY CHAMBER CHOIR OF THE ESZTERHÁZI CIRCLE OF FRIENDS PARTICIPATES

DECEMBER, 17 (17:00) | THE NAGYCENKI FACULTY OF ARTS CONTRIBUTES





ZUGDIDI BOTANICAL GARDEN

ZUGDIDI, GEORGIA | DECEMBER - JANUARY

CULTURE & EDUCATION | CHRISTMAS ACTIVITIES

DECEMBER, 20 (17:30) NEW YEAR CONCERT FOR KIDS WITH THE PARTICIPATION

OF SANTA CLAUS AND OTHER FAIRY-TALE CHARACTERS, AND THEN THE CEREMONIAL OPENING OF NEW YEAR LIGHTS. SANTA WILL GIFT PRESENTS AT THE EVENT.

DECEMBER, 20, 31, & JANUARY 1, 2,7 | FREE DAYS FOR VISITORS

