



“Kurzemes filharmonija” Presents in October

In October, SIA “Kurzemes filharmonija” offers to enjoy the diverse world of music at events in the Concert Hall “Latvija” and the Theatre House “Jūras vārti”, and even be present at a discussion of the most powerful thinkers of our time.

The New Riga Theatre in the play “Žižek. Peterson. The Duel of the Century” depicts a clash of thoughts between two of the most powerful public intellectuals of our time – Slovenian philosopher Slavoj Žižek and Canadian doctor of clinical psychology Jordan Peterson – which will be presented at the Theatre House “Jūras vārti” on 12 October at 19.00. A few years ago, their public debate in Toronto was billed as the intellectual duel of the century. This confrontation did not take place, however, because both chose peaceful tactics, but the NRT plays out the intellectual clash that everyone expected, but which did not happen,

On 13 October at 19.00 the piano virtuosos – jury experts of the 12th Riga International Young Pianists Competition will perform on the stage of the Concert Hall “Latvija”, offering the audience a vivid programme of piano music. The concert will feature Italian pianist Giulio Biddau, London-based Ukrainian artist Olga Paliy, Polish pianist Sławomir Wilk and internationally renowned Latvian pianist Arta Arnicāne.

The next concert of the series “Return to Ventspils” will take place on 18 October at 19.00. This time, together with the Ventspils Chamber Orchestra and the Mixed Choir “Ventspils”, soloists with three such different musical instruments – Reinis Tomiņš (marimba), Maksims Beitāns (cello) and Aigars Reinis (organ) – will perform. Choral conductor – Aigars Meri. Conductor – Aigars Meri. The concert programme includes “Mūžīgās ilgošanās gaisma” concerto for marimba and string orchestra by Rihards Dubra, “Psalmu burtnīca” by Valts Pūce, “Pasticcio à la Rossini” by Pēteris Plakidis and “Divertimento” for organ and timpani by Marģeris Zariņš. The concert will be hosted by musicologist, “Radio Klasika” personality Liene Jakovļeva.

On 19 October at 13.00 at 13.00 at the Theatre House “Jūras vārti”, Dirty Deal Teatro invites young people and not only to “Drama Queen”, a play about the experiences of Ukrainian actress and director Sofiya Melnikova, who begins her story with the Russian invasion of Ukraine. How do I survive refugees, fear, loneliness, failed love and the break-up of an eight-year relationship? How do I not lose myself on this journey and be reborn?

Daumants Kalniņš and the Ventspils Big Band invite you to a musical meeting on 21 October at 16.00 at the Concert Hall “Latvija”. Daumants Kalniņš’ author’s evening will feature original works by the singer and composer, as well as favourite songs in Latvian and English. The pieces have been arranged and adapted for big band with vocals.

On 25 October at 19.00 the Keno Harriehausen Quartet will perform in the small hall of the Concert Hall “Latvija”, excitingly fusing the traditions of jazz and chamber music. The Quartet’s compositions are inspired by a wide range of 20th-century classics, folklore and other sources of inspiration. This international quartet brings together musicians from Germany, the Netherlands and Latvia. It includes saxophonist Kārlis Auziņš, cellist Maya Fridman, double bassist Andris Meinig and pianist Keno Harriehausen.

On 26 October at 19.00 at the Theatre House “Jūras vārti” a musical dedication performance “Lūk tā!” by M. Chekhov Riga Russian Theatre, inspired by the leader of the rock band “Kino” Viktor Tsoi and his work, will be performed. The Theatre has received the right to use their music in a single performance, which will include 20 songs performed by the Theatre’s artists, combining the songs’ plots into a polyphonic narrative.

The full programme of events can be found on the websites jurasvarti.lv and koncertzalelatvija.lv. Tickets are available from the ticket sales network “Bīešu paradīze”.