V.International FIDAF Music & Folk Dance Festival BELGRADE AWARD 2017.

SERBIA-Belgrade

2.-8.july 2017.









FESTIVAL PROGRAM

2. july from 15h, arrival of groups, check in to hostel

free time dinner

WELCOME COCKTAIL and TECHNICAL MEETING (only for group leaders and organizers)

3. july breakfast

Belgrade sightseeing tour /walking or open top bus excursions through city center/

free time

lunch

RECEPTION and PRESS CONFERENCE (in Town Hall)

(gift exchange, 1-2 leaders and 1 pair in costume with flag and board-obligatory)

PARADE through the city center (around 600-800m) with few dancing spots

FESTIVAL OPENING CEREMONY (open area, wooden and concrete)

performances of the groups – revial concert

dinner

4. july breakfast

performances of 15-20min. in children hospital/old peoples house/shopping mall (groups are divided by 5)

lunch

free time – visit to Nikola Tesla museum, Kalemegdan fortress, Planetarium etc.

dinner

workshops (all groups together, exchange of steps) and practice for final scene (closing of the festival)

party time

5. july breakfast

free day (whole day excursion out of Belgrade)

packed lunch dinner

6.july breakfast

performances of 15-20min. in children hospital/old peoples house/shopping mall (groups are divided by 5)

lunch

free time (swimming pool, aqua park or Ada Ciganlija lake)

dinner

Belgrade from rivers /excursion/ ship cruise along Sava and Danube – party on boat

7. july breakfast

free time

lunch

technical practice on the main stage (every group 8-10 min.) plus final scene

FESTIVAL COMPETITION NIGHT (indoor, concert hall)

closing and award ceremony

DINNER and FAIRWELL PARTY

8. july breakfast

check out until 11h and departure of groups

NOTES.

- detailed program, day by day, hour by hour, will follow later, after closing the applications
- organizers keep right to change the program if needed, due to weather conditions or other technical items that may appear

REGULATIONS

V.International FIDAF Music and Folk Dance Festival "BELGRADE AWARD 2017." is being held under the patronage and full support of Belgrade Town Hall and Mayor. Festival organizer is Cultural & Folk Art Association "Sveti Sava" and My Folk Fest organizing team.

I. RULES OF PARTICIPATION:

- <u>Total number of participating groups is LIMITTED to 15</u> and organizer will announce participating groups after selection is made, on 31. January 2017. following the rule one group from each country. Exceptionally, it is right of the festival selection board to take two groups from same country, based of the artistic value of program. Or to accept more than 15 groups if accommodation capacity allows.
- All applied groups will be informed about the selection decision. Groups are obliged to sign
 the documents for acceptance of participation. In case that any of accepted groups cancel its
 participation, festival committee will invite next group from the list to replace it (that was
 under line of invited 15 groups).
- Members of the group should be over 16 years old.
- Music is preferred to be live and played on traditional instruments (but it can be subject to discuss, especially for overseas groups).
- Total number of members in the group should not exceed 30 persons (with group leaders and bus drivers). Please take care that number of performers can not be less than 80% of total number of people in the group.
- For each member exceeding the number of 30, group should pay festival fee of 140eur per person (in advance). However, total number of members is limited to 40 for each group (30 hosted by organizer +10 paying festival fee).
- Groups will be accommodated in students hostel of 3* range.
- Director of each invited group is responsible for every member of group during Festival.

II. PARTICIPANT'S OBLIGATIONS:

- 1. Groups are obliged to arrange their transport to Belgrade and back home, on their own expense.

 ARRIVAL to Belgrade 2.july 2017. check in time from 15h. First meal is dinner.

 DEPARTURE from Belgrade 8.july 2017. check out until 11h. Last meal breakfast, plus packed lunch.
- 2. Groups are obligated to participate in concerts, performances and other Festival events according to the festival program.
- 3. Groups are obligated to prepare:
 - a. short dancing presentations (3-5-10-15-20 min.)
 - b. competition program (8-10 min. it can be only one choreography, not in parts)
 - c. animation program (20-30 min.)
- 4. Groups should bring their national flag and sign (if have).
- 5. Each group should sign the documents of accepting the participation (Contract with organizing committee) latest until 10.february 2017.

6. If group needs visa, it is responsibility of the group to arrange it! Organizers can only give invitation letter to groups and can not interfere to visa issuing process and make extra contacts to embassies except the regular visa procedure.

III. ORGANIZERS' OBLIGATIONS:

- Organizer will cover costs of board and lodging (6 full board-breakfast, lunch and dinner) in students' hostel, range 3*.
- Organizer will provide or cover fuel for local transportation for each group (connected to festival program). For all other activities groups have to use their own bus on their own expense.
- For groups that are coming by plane (Airport "Nikola Tesla"), organizers provide bus transfers free of charge, to hotel and back, as well as local transportation connected to festival program.
- For the groups that are coming with their own buses there is a free and secured parking place in the hostel area.
- Organizer will not pay any pocket-money to performers or group leaders for their participation.
- Groups will have possibility of presentation of their handicrafts. Groups are most welcome to bring different handcrafts for the Exhibition that will be organized during festival where they also can sell their souvenirs and products. Each group will have the same area, with stall (stand) where they can organize their "shop".
- Groups will be hosted by qualified English speaking festival guides, who will be responsible for contact 24h a day during groups stay in Belgrade. Every group must have one English speaking person for contact.

IV. FINAL REGULATIONS:

- Festival is a competition.
- Each group can perform one piece not shorter than 8 min. and not longer than 10 min. Music must be live. Competition will be followed by international jury (5-7 members).
- There will be 3 top awards for the BELGRADE AWARD winners and also special awards in 5 categories: best performance, best music, best choreography, best costume, best impression. Also different awards for best solo performers. Winners will be awarded by special cups and diplomas, as well as many different sponsors gifts.
- 3. Festival performances and group's presentations take place in Belgrade and around (max.100km away-city of Novi Sad and/or Arandjelovac).
- 4. The organizer keeps the right to record Festival concerts for the radio, TV and internet presentation purposes and to use recordings without additional payments to the participants.
- 5. All additional costs of transportation: damages, reparations, technical checking will be cover by participants.
- 6. Health insurance will be covered by the group. It is recommended to the group to have valid health insurance policy made in the origin country before arrival to Serbia.

ACCOMMODATION

<u>Student hostel</u> is 3*** star range and is located on a walking distance 5-8 min. to downtown, with all facilities nearby: shopping, restaurants, cafes,, recreation... It is a big complex and can accommodate up to 800 people in total. Hostel is under the patronage of Serbian ministry of education.

- √ 7 days/6 nights, on a FULL BOARD basis (breakfast, lunch and dinner)
- ✓ HACCP food standard
- ✓ 4 bedded rooms, **each with its own bathroom** (2 wooden bunk beds, toilet, shower and sink, linen and toiletries provided, <u>but recommended to bring your **towels**</u>)
- ✓ plus 2 double rooms for drivers and leaders
- ✓ additional payment for extra double rooms, if you need, 30eur per person (for whole stay)
- ✓ additional payment for single room 60eur per person (for whole stay)
- ✓ free WiFi zone and internet in the hostel lobby
- ✓ free and secure parking in front of the hostel for busses (for the whole period of stay)
- ✓ every day room cleaning service (garbage out)



If group require hotel accommodation festival fee is 180eur per person.

HOTEL "N" is 3*** hotel and it is only 4km away from the Belgrade city center. It is very well connected to the center with great number of public transport (using bus or tram you need 10-15 min. to the very center of town). All facilities are on the walking distance: shopping, restaurants, recreation... It can accommodate up to 200 people and is favorite place of many sports collectives, especially because of great food.



You can see photos of rooms and restaurant here - http://www.hotel-n.rs/en/

- √ 7 days/6 nights, on a FULL BOARD basis (breakfast, lunch and dinner open buffet)
- ✓ all rooms are exclusively double, with towels and all toiletries provided
- ✓ 1 free place for every 25 persons that pay
- ✓ free WiFi zone and internet in the whole hotel
- ✓ free and secure parking place for your bus (for the whole period of stay)

APPLICATION FORM

"BELGRADE AWARD 2017"

Group full name					
Short name of the group					
(if have)					
Country					
Group Address	Street		Town		
Phone/fax					
E-mail					
Website (if have)					
Director (president, manager)	Name				
of the group	Phone				
	e-mail				
Contact person	Name				
	Phone				
	e-mail				
Number of participants		TOTAL	Female	Male	
	Leaders				
	Dancers				
	Musicians				
	Drivers				
	Other				
	TOTAL				
Means of Transport					
Arrival	Date		Time		
Departure	Date		Time		
Special technical needs	Number and type of microphones				
of the group necessary for the	You will use live music or recorded music				
performance	Write all instruments that you use if playing live				
	Other				
Repertoire	Title			Time	
Link to programme	Write few links to video presentations with the group programme or send video files by e-mail (use We Transfer or Send Space for large files). It has to be part or whole program that you can and will present at the festival.				

Groups can apply <u>latest until 25.january 2017.</u> by sending following documents:

- application form filled, with signature and stamp
- few good quality group photos (.jpg, resolution at least 1MB)
- short biography in English language

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ABOUT BELGRADE



Belgrade (Beograd) is the capital of **Serbia**, and has a population of around **1.8 million**. It is situated in South-Eastern Europe, on the Balkan Peninsula, at the confluence of the **Sava** and **Danube** rivers. It is one of the oldest cities in Europe and has since ancient times been an important focal point for traffic, an intersection of the roads of Eastern and Western Europe.

Belgrade is the capital of Serbian culture, education, science and economy. As a result of its tumultuous history, Belgrade has for centuries been home to many nationalities, with Serbs of the Orthodox Christian religion making up the majority of the population (90%). The official language is Serbian, while visitors from abroad can use English to communicate.

The climate in Belgrade is a **moderate continental one**, with an average daytime temperature of **11.7°C**. Belgrade is in the **Central European Time** (CET) zone (GMT+1 hour). Summer time (GMT+2 hours) lasts from the end of March until the end of October. The official currency is the **dinar** (RSD), but Euros can be exchanged freely. The Belgrade **area code** for domestic calls is **011** and for international calls **++381-11**



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