



MALA UKRAJINA v Nitre

Mini-festival Little Ukraine in Nitra

Tastes and scents, colours and symbols, yet also the pains and hopes of Ukraine – these are the main sections of an event that is held within the accompanying programme of the 2023 International Festival Divadelná Nitra.

Sunday, 24 September 2023, 2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Street Pri synagóge, the Synagogue, Uránia.

free entry

Tastes and scents: Visitors will experience the tastes and scents of Ukraine when they stop by a snack stand that serves traditional Ukrainian food, cakes and other sweets made by Ukrainian women who live in Nitra. This event is convened by the contact point for international inhabitants BLUE DOT COMIN in Nitra.

Colours and symbols: You can become more familiar with the colours and symbols of Ukraine at the stand with souvenirs and artworks by the Ukrainian artist Natalia Studenkova and the Slovak popular artist Rosie Naive Art. Additional insights will come during a stimulating workshop for children in the Synagogue. Nitra-based Mareena, non-profit organisation dedicated to the integration of international people living in Slovakia, offers an opportunity to try unique art of paper carving that has a long tradition in Ukraine. The event is led by professional Ukrainian artist and illustrator Tanya Kiyanytsia who has over eight years of experience in this type of fine art.

Sounds and tunes: Throughout the afternoon you can sit outside Urania listening to the sounds and tunes of Ukraine – performances by Ukrainian singers, opera and folk music performers living in Slovakia (Andriy Tretyak, Viera Zhuravel, Yelizaveta Pastukhova, Olena Hohol, Tetiana Tkach and others), who will present the audience the rich world of Ukrainian music.

Documentary *Those Who Remained – Borodyanka* première in the Synagogue during the mini-festival **Little Ukraine in Nitra**. The screening is followed by a discussion with the film director Viera Dubačová, producer Lucia Štasselová and university lecturer and political analyst Alexander Duleba who will take the audience through the current reality.

Pain and suffering: The documentary, discussion, and the entire space in the alley by the Synagogue will remind us that Ukraine and its people are experiencing real pain and suffering. Some of the leading Slovak photographers who participated in the project, Tomáš Benedikovič, Gabriel Kuchta, Juraj Mravec, Pavol Pekarčík and Vladimír Šimíček, present their photographs that assiduously document the continuing tragedy in Ukraine.

Hope or help: The stand run by the Peace for Ukraine initiative offers some hope or help. Anyone wishing to help is welcome to stop by and receive symbolic items to help Ukraine in return a voluntary contribution.

While there is free entry to the mini-festival **Little Ukraine in Nitra**, the event offers a number of opportunities to lend a helping hand to Ukraine. All funds thus raised will support the current fundraiser to help acquisition of mine-sweeper Božena. More on: www.darcekreputina.eu.

Programme

14.00 to 17.00, in front of the Synagogue

HELP and HOPE FOR UKRAINE

Fundraiser for mine sweeper Božena 5

www.darcekreputina.eu

Convened by: Peace for Ukraine

14.00 to 17.00, in front of Uránia

FLAVORS and SCENTS OF UKRAINE

Characteristic Ukrainian food, drinks, candies, cakes and other sweets from the workshop of Ukrainian women who live in Nitra.

Convened by: contact point for international people BLUE DOT COMIN in Nitra

14.00 to 17.00, in front of Uránia

COLOURS and SYMBOLS OF UKRAINE

Information, memorabilia, merchandise.

Convened by: Peace for Ukraine; Mareena; contact point for international people BLUE DOT COMIN in Nitra

14.00 to 17.00, ul. Pri synagóge

THE PAIN and SUFFERING OF UKRAINE

Large-scale photography display of the works by Tomáš Benedikovič, Gabriel Kuchta, Juraj Mravec, Pavel Pekarčík, and Vladimír Šimíček.

14.00 – 14.15, Uránia

SOUNDS and TUNES OF UKRAINE

Musical performances by Andriy Tretyak, Viera Zhuravel and Nazar Bordenyk.

14.30 – 15.00, Synagogue

PAIN and SUFFERING OF UKRAINE

Première of the Viera Dubačová documentary *Those Who Remained – Borodyanka*

15.00 – 15.30, Synagogue

Discussion: *Ukraine's Path to Freedom*, guests: Viera Dubačová, Lucia Štasselová, Alexander Duleba.

15.30 – 16.10, Synagogue

COLOURS and SYMBOLS OF UKRAINE

Creative workshop for children *Let's Learn Vytynanka* with Tanya Kiyanytsia.

15.30 - 15.50, Urania

SOUNDS and TUNES OF UKRAINE

Musical performances by Yelizaveta Pastukhova, Alexandra Tsymbaliuk and Olena Hohol.

16.15 – 17.00, Synagogue

COLORS and SYMBOLS OF UKRAINE

Creative workshop for children *Let's Learn Vytynanka* with Tanya Kiyanytsia.

16.30 – 17.00, Urania

SOUNDS and TUNES OF UKRAINE

final musical performance by Tetiana Tkach and the national amateur group Malvy.

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