



BSEC MONTH OF CULTURE 2018

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Georgia

This place in #Georgia is associated with the most prominent woman in its history.

#Vardzia Cave Monastery was founded in 12th century by the Georgian Queen Tamar and consisted of over 6 000 (!) apartments in a thirteen story underground complex.

Back in the medieval times one could only get to this spectacular and huge underground city via well hidden tunnels which started at the nearby Mtkvari river.

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Photo: Courtesy of the Georgian National Tourism Administration, Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia

Greece

Is there any connection between this photo taken on the island of #Tinos and the famous #Parthenon in Athens? Watch this short movie about the Tinian Marble Craftsmanship to find out the answer.

<https://bit.ly/2QHSGrV>

Video: Courtesy of the Directorate of Modern Cultural Heritage,
General Directorate of Antiquities and Cultural Heritage, Ministry of Culture and
Sports of the Hellenic Republic.

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Armenia

The European Film Festival started in #Armenia two days ago.

During the festival, the audience will have the opportunity to watch films from 11 countries. The Festival's main programme includes also various cultural side events, such as round-table discussions and master classes.

Source: Delegation of the European Union to Armenia, EEAS.

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Interested in learning more about the fascinating culture of the BSEC Member States?

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Join the BSEC Month of Culture, organised by the ICBSS from 1-30 November 2018 and learn about the remarkable and rich cultural heritage of the BSEC region.

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About the BSEC Month of Culture:

On the occasion of the 20th Anniversary of the International Centre for Black Sea Studies, the ICBSS is launching the 2nd “BSEC Month of Culture”, a month long programme of cultural highlights from the 12 BSEC Member States (Albania, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bulgaria, Georgia, Greece, Moldova, Romania, Russia, Serbia, Turkey, Ukraine).

Being aware of the rich, diverse cultural heritage of the BSEC region, the ICBSS launches the 2nd “BSEC Month of Culture”, from 1st to 30th November 2018, with the aim to promote the cultural identity of the region and enhance its visibility to the wider public.

The programme will feature online tributes on *literature, music, theatre & performance art, painting/sculpting, monuments* and *gastronomy*, including short videos and photos.

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About the ICBSS: The International Centre for Black Sea Studies (ICBSS) was founded in 1998 as a non-profit organisation. It has since fulfilled a dual function. On the one hand, it is an independent research and training institution focusing on the wider Black Sea region. On the other hand, it is a related body of the Organisation of the Black Sea Economic Cooperation (BSEC) and serves as its acknowledged think-tank. Thus, the ICBSS pursues applied, policy-oriented research, promotes knowledge on the Black Sea region both within and outside its boundaries, and offers policy advice with the aim to foster multilateral cooperation among the BSEC member states as well as with their international partners.

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