



BSEC MONTH OF CULTURE 2018

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Moldova

Opera singer from #Moldova recognized in 1967 as one of the greatest voices in Tokyo.

Maria Bieșu (1935-2012), Prima Donna of the National Opera of Moldova, was awarded the title of "Best Cio-Cio-San in the world" in Tokyo.

Having performed on the best theatrical stages of the world, she was dreaming of #Chișinău, the capital of Moldova, to become a centre of opera, to gather singers from all over the world. This dream of Maria became true!

Already in 1990 the First International Festival of Opera and Ballet Stars was launched, and ever since it takes place every autumn becoming a symbol of Moldova culture. After 2012, the festival was renamed to the International Festival Maria Biesu in order to honour the great singer and patriot.

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Ukraine

One can hardly find a Ukrainian who has never eaten #Galushki. Did you try this delicious dish from #Poltava?

Recipes of Galushki are usually passed from generation to generation and are rarely mentioned in cookbooks, but don't worry, they are quite simple to make ☺

Galushki are the lumps of dough boiled in water or chicken broth, and served either as a separate dish (with butter or sour cream) or as a soup.

We will reveal one secret of the traditional Poltava recipe for the tastiest Ukrainian dinner ever: use the buckwheat flour in your cooking instead of the usual one.

‘Smachnógo’ as they say ‘Bon appetite’ in #Ukraine!

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Turkey

Meet Latife Tekin, one of the most influential #Turkish female authors of our time.

Latife Tekin was born in 1957. In the first novel she published, 'Dear Shameless Death' (Sevgili Arsiz Olum in Turkish), Tekin told the story of a family which had to migrate to the big city and the difficulties they had to overcome, in the style of a fairy tale.

Her fiction is clearly in the genre that has been duly dubbed as "magic realism." The books of Latife Tekin have been translated into Dutch, English, German, French and Italian.

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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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