



BSEC MONTH OF CULTURE 2019

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TURKEY

Once a year, Istanbul hosts companies and groups from all over the world during the Theatre Festival. The Istanbul Theatre Festival together with the Avignon Festival, the Athens & Epidaurus Festival have formed the European Network of Mediterranean Festivals entitled Kadmos.

You can enjoy the 23rd Istanbul Theater Festival this month!

#MoC2019 #ICBSS #Turkey #Theater #Culture #Art



Info at: <https://tiyatro.iksv.org/en>

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ALBANIA

Traditional Albanian music is one of the less-discovered folk musics in Europe, although very characteristic. Today, we introduce to you two kinds, #Gheg and #Tosk music, originally traced in the northern parts of Albania. Although both monophonic, they use different sub-dialects. Gheg music is often accompanied by musical instruments, unlike Tosk that is usually a cappella.

#MoC2019 #BlackSea #ICBSS #ArtOfMusic #Albania #Culture

Info at: <https://folkcloud.com/folk-music-by-country/albania> and
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9U_G8sNYM7A

UKRAINE

The 5th International literature Festival Odessa was held in #Odessa, Ukraine, on 25-29 September 2019.

The Festival aims to highlight the cultural charisma and international character of the city and to contribute to strengthening its connections with other cultural metropolises in Europe and on other continents.

The 6th edition of the International Literature Festival is announced for 23 -27 September 2020.

Info: <http://litfestodessa.com/home>

#CultureBSEC #MoC2019 #ICBSS #Ukraine #Literature

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Info at:

Join the BSEC Month of Culture, organised by the ICBSS from 1-30 November 2019 and learn about the remarkable and rich cultural heritage of the BSEC region.

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About the BSEC Month of Culture:

Being aware of the rich, diverse cultural heritage of the BSEC region, the **International Centre for Black Sea Studies (ICBSS)** launched the **BSEC Month of Culture (MoC)**, in 2017, with the aim to promote the cultural identity of the Black Sea region and enhance its visibility to the wider public.

The MoC is a month long programme of diverse cultural activities related to the rich cultural heritage of the 12 BSEC Member States. Our aspiration is to establish the 'BSEC Month of Culture' as an annual event that will include more cultural activities each year.

The 1st edition of the BSEC Month of Culture was held successfully on 1-30 June 2017, on the occasion of the 25th Anniversary of the BSEC Organisation. The 2nd edition of the BSEC Month of Culture was launched from 1 to 30 November 2018, on the occasion of the 20th Anniversary of ICBSS.

The 3rd Edition of the BSEC Month of Culture will be launched from 1 to 30 November 2019.

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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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