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Traditional and folklore dance festival

FAKS Dance (Rovinj) 28.09.-01.10.2023.

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Dear friends of traditional music and dances,

Welcome to the third edition of FAKS Dance festival, part of FAKS - Festival of amateur cultural creation in Croatia. FAKS festival is a festival of art and culture lovers, festival of friendship, connections between local and international performers, connections with local and international audience, festival of inspiration, innovation, new modern creation, festival of celebration of art work of amateurs and culture itself.

In seven years, FAKS Festival became a meaningful and important event for all its participants, primarily because it gives people the opportunity to test their abilities, to believe in themselves. Therefore, all participants are presenting their tradition, their cultural heritage, their rituals and habits, as well as their traditional folklore in spirit of promotion of the topics high on the agenda of Europe. Through the presentation of their own cultural heritage, they learn from each other and develop cultural understanding on individual basis. Also, they are able to have a better insight in other nations life style influenced by their cultural heritage. The language of dance is easy to understand and clear to everyone, it demonstrates national traditions and customs, helps to convey emotions and experiences, and it is an expression of freedom and inspiration.

I would like to thank Maistra hospitality group and Touristic board of Rovinj for their support. In the name of FAKS festival team, I wish to all participants a creative success, overcoming all difficulties and tireless energy in reaching new horizons, new heights for the benefit of world's culture!

Ines Kovačić Drndić

President and artistic director

FAKS festival

FESTIVAL PROGRAM

Thursday, 29th September 2022

Arrival in Rovinj in the Resort Amarin

20:00 Meeting with the organizers and welcome party for all participants by the pool

Friday, 30th September 2022

10:00 Sightseeing with professional touristic guide

11:00 Dance workshop in the center - Istrian Balun

16:00 Concert in the Theatre Gandusio

Saturday, 1st October 2022

11:00 Round-table discussion and ceremony of diploma annunciation with folklore group representatives in the Resort Amarin

16:00 Concert in the Theatre Gandusio

20:00 Dinner and party with live music in the typical Istrian restaurant in the Central Istria

Sunday, 2nd October 2022

11:30 Farewell words and present exchange in the restaurant Lumina, resort Amarin

Departure of all groups



ROVINJ

FAKS Dance 2022.

INTERNATIONAL TRADITIONAL AND FOLKLORE DANCE FESTIVAL CROATIA



29.9. - 2.10.



FESTIVAL AMATERSKOG
KULTURNOG STVARALAŠTVA
FESTIVAL OF AMATEUR
CULTURAL CREATION

1. KUD Plesarin, Rovinj, Croatia



ARTISTIC DIRECTOR: Vladimir Bogosavljević

The “Plesarin” folklore association was founded in May 2005, and has been active in the Rovinj area ever since. It numbers around 30 active members and many more followers. The association's activities focus on the preservation of Istrian folklore. It participates at folklore events in the region, the country and the neighbouring countries of Slovenia and Italy. Apart from the traditional Istrian dances, the Plesarin performs dances from other parts of Croatia as well. The Plesarin folklore association is the proud host and co-organiser of the 2nd FAKS Dance Festival – the International Folklore Festival, which will surely live on to establish a long tradition in our beautiful town.

3. Folklore Association Pazin, Pazin, Croatia



ARTISTIC DIRECTOR: Davor Zović

The Pazin Folklore Association actively preserves traditional values. Constant research of the history of Istria inspires us to protect traditional heritage in its most original form possible and present it to younger generations. The activities of the dancing, singing and instrumental sections of the association have been expanded to include the reconstruction of old customs, with constant cooperation with related institutions and associations. They place great emphasis on working with younger people, therefore, they run two sections adapted to different age groups.

4. KUD „Bosna“ of the Istria County, Pula, Croatia



ARTISTIC DIRECTOR: Aldin Omerović

The Folklore association „Bosna“ of the Istria County was established in 2004. The aim of the association is to provide culture and traditions from their homeland Bosnia and Herzegovina and region of Istria where most of their children are born. Throughout the years they gained a large number of members and sympathizers. Every year they are organizing a few manifestations which are very well accepted from the audience and public, and they are also recognized in all segments of preserving bosnian culture within community. Their main goal is to attract more young people to join their association and to help preserving and not forgetting the culture and customs of neighboring Bosnia and Herzegovina.

6. Bulgarian Folklore Dance Group “Pendari Vienna”, Vienna, Austria



ARTISTIC DIRECTOR: Galya Mileva

The folklore dance group “Pendari Vienna” was established in May 2013 by enthusiasts wishing to celebrate the prolific Bulgarian folklore heritage and contribute to the cultural variety of the Austrian capital. Their repertoire includes beautiful melodic Bulgarian folk songs and original choreographies based on traditional dances from different ethnographic regions of Bulgaria. The folklore ensemble “Pendari Vienna” is a source of positive energy for anyone who wishes to build new friendships. The name of the group is symbolic – as the gold coins (pendari) show off their full splendour when strung together, so do the performers – hand in hand – increase the beauty of the Bulgarian dance. The group has already participated in numerous festivals in Austria and other European countries.

2. Folklore association Vransko, Vransko, Slovenia



ARTISTIC DIRECTOR: Stanislava Škrabar

The history of Folklorno association Vransko begins in the year 2006.

Basic idea about hanging out together has quickly grown into love to dancing, singing, retaining of traditional beliefs and customs from local environment and passing through all that folk tradition to younger generations. The repertoire of the folklore group includes dances, songs and customs of different Slovenian regions (Prekmurje, Goričko, Bela Krajina...), but the group present itself to the audience most often with dances from eastern and Western

5. The folklore group of the Cultural and Educational Society of Lesce, Slovenia



ARTISTIC DIRECTOR: Maja Tekavec

The folklore group of the Cultural and Educational Society of Lesce is celebrating its tenth anniversary this year. Currently, the group consists of sixteen male and female dancers, three strings and a choreographer. Through their activities, they contribute to the preservation of folk traditions and the revival of ancestral customs. They mainly present Slovene dances and songs recorded in the Gorenje region, and they are also dressed in the Gorenje national costume. They participate in folklore meetings and they are happy to present their rich heritage to foreign guests. Members are united by the desire and joy of dancing, singing, acting and, of course, socializing, all of which keep them flexible and young in heart.