



IV INTERNATIONAL MUSIC & DANCE FESTIVAL "FRIENDS IN MOSCOW"

online edition

07.08-10.08.2020

Moscow, RUSSIA

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Location:	Moscow, Russia
Organizer of the festival:	"Severnaya Raduga" Culture Development Foundation of the Peoples of Siberia and the Far East, Moscow
Partners of the Festival:	European Association of Folklore Festivals (EAFF), Board and local branch of the United Russia Party of Lianozovo district, Moscow; Lianozovo Culture and Recreation Park; Charity Foundation "Ruspomosh"
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Dear friends,

Despite the difficult times for the whole world caused by covid, we want to keep our traditions and gather all our folk friends to show a diverse and rich culture of different countries and peoples. We would like to invite you to participate in the online edition of IV International Festival of Music and Dance "Friends in Moscow" to be held during August 7-10, 2020.

The gala concert of the festival will take place on our youtube channel.

Grand Prix holders and 1st degree laureates will be invited to the "ArtStar" International Award to be held in St. Petersburg during December 4-8, 2020.

FESTIVAL REGULATIONS

1. Festival information

- The IV International Festival of Music and Dance "Friends in Moscow" (hereinafter referred to as the "Festival") is held to promote folk art and present the cultural traditions of different countries and peoples. The idea of the festival is the development of public diplomacy and the establishment of friendship and peace on earth through music and dance.
- The festival promotes intercultural dialogue and aims to develop and strengthen friendly cultural relations between the performers of different countries.
- We invite children, youth and adult dance groups, choral groups, vocal ensembles, instrumental groups, as well as performers of other art directions to participate in the festival.
- Age of participants from 5 years and older.

2. Financial conditions

Participants pay target participation fee (donation):

- Soloists – 15 euro
- Duets, trios - 25 euro
- Groups (more than 4 people) - 60 euro per group

Included:

- International diploma without the word "online" certified by a seal and signature of the Organizing Committee
- Personalized review of the performance by the jury member
- A letter of thanks to the teacher or group leader
- Festival organizational fee
- Preparation of video/photo materials for the Jury
- Media coverage of the event

Note:

- All diplomas are sent via e-mail in pdf file

How to pay:

- Target participation fee is paid within 3 banking days after the confirmation of the application. If the invoice is not paid within this period, the application shall be considered canceled.
- In case of target participation fee is paid by the organization (legal entity) please provide the bank details of the organization (legal entity).
- In case of refusal to participate in the festival, the target fee is not refundable.

3. Nominations

- I. Choreography (folk dance, classical dance, modern dance, pop dance, ballroom dance, hip-hop, dance mix, children's dance, dance show)
- II. Vocals (folk, pop, academic, world hit).
- III. Choirs and vocal ensembles
- IV. Instrumental creativity (folk instruments)
- V. Theatrical creativity (miniature, excerpt from the play, musical, theatrical performances and ceremonies, artistic reading, entertainer, puppet theater, musical theater)
- VI. Fashion theaters (fashion theaters, schools and fashion studios, costume studios, art houses and other creative associations showing fashion models of all styles and trends. Ethnographic, stage and historical costumes are most welcome)

4. Age categories

- I. 5-7 years
- II. 7-10 years old
- III. 11-13 years
- IV. 14-18 years old
- V. 19-25 years old
- VI. 26 years and older

In each age group, participation of performers of a different age is allowed, but not more than 30% of the total number of speakers.

5. Nominations' duration

- Participation in the festival-competition means the participation in one nomination, one age category, one group category.
- The competitive program includes the performance of 1 (one) work up to 5 minutes.
- In the nomination "Instrumental creativity" for soloists and small forms, the presentation of two works is allowed up to 5 minutes total.
- In the nomination "Theater creativity" and "instrumental creativity" (ensembles and orchestras) it is possible to present one work up to 10 minutes.
- In the nomination "Fashion Theaters" the duration of the show should be no more than 8 minutes.
- In the nomination "Choirs and Vocal Ensembles", choral groups present 2 diverse songs up to 10 minutes total, one of which should be performed "a-capella".
- In the nomination "Vocal" it is not allowed to use of a phonogram minus with prerecorded back-vocals. It is strictly forbidden to use the phonogram of karaoke.

6. Video requirements

- Both amateur and professional videos can participate.
- The shooting might be carried out on stage or home premises, as well as video from another competition or concert is allowed.
- Videos must be recorded without editing and any effects.

- The participant must be in stage clothes. The faces, hands, feet of all participants in the video should be clearly visible.
- Sound reproduction - high-quality, all the nuances of the performance should be clearly audible.
- By sending a link to the video, the participant automatically confirms his/her consent to the use of the material by third parties (organizers, jury members, other participants of the competition), as well as to post the video on the organizer's website. The participant is responsible for complying with copyright laws and correctness of the materials provided.
- Filing an application means acceptance of this Regulation.
- The file name must be made in the following form: City - Team - Number name. For example: Tula - Varvaryata - Russian dance.

7. Evaluation Criteria:

- Technique
- Artistic impression (image, disclosure of the content, emotions, artistry)
- Presentation (costume, props, stage direction, selection of repertoire, stage design)
- Difficulty of the performance and matching the repertoire with age

8. Jury

- To assess competitive performances, a qualified jury composed of cultural and art experts, representatives of creative and public organizations are created.
 - The list of jury members is not disclosed prior to the start of the festival.
 - Chairman of the jury is entitled to 2 votes in the event of a dispute.
 - The jury does not take into account the age, material standing, social class, nationality and place of residence of the contestants - only creativity on absolutely equal terms in accordance with this Regulation.
 - The jury may decide to cancel the competition on one of the nominations specified in this Regulation or to join the age categories, due to the insufficient number of applications filed.
 - The jury's decision is final and non-negotiable

9. Awarding

- In each nomination and age category, the titles of laureates of I, II, III degrees and diplomas of I, II, III degrees are assigned.
- Laureates and diplomats are awarded with diplomas.
- In each nomination, the laureate of the first degree, who won the most votes, is awarded the Grand Prix.
- Grand Prix holders and laureates of the 1st degree might be awarded by a personalized invitation to participate in the super final of the year "Artstar-2020 International Prize" for preferential terms.
- The number of laureates and diploma winners is not limited, since there is a qualification system for evaluating contestants, and not their comparison with each other.
- Team leaders and educators receive formal letters of appreciation.
- At the discretion of the jury, the best groups and soloists have the opportunity to further advance, are invited to participate in cultural events in Moscow and St. Petersburg, receive certificates for participation in Russian and foreign festivals and competitions on a free or preferential basis.
- Based on the results of the competition, the following Special Prizes are awarded:
 - ✓ Best vocalist
 - ✓ The best choir groups
 - ✓ The best instrumentalist
 - ✓ The best group leader
 - ✓ The best choreography

- ✓ The best artistry
- ✓ The best folk costume
- ✓ Contribution to the preservation of folk traditions
- The jury reserves the right to not award prizes and change the number of prizes.
- Diplomas will be sent by e-mail within 7 days after the end of the festival.

10. How to take part in the festival?

- 1) Mail an Application to e-mail: northernrainbow@mail.ru
- 2) Receive a confirmation from organizers indicating the amount of the target contribution for participation in the festival and the payment details
- 3) Pay the target contribution and send a copy (photo) of the payment receipt to northernrainbow@mail.ru
- 4) Send the link to your video on youtube or the video of the performance to e-mail: northernrainbow@mail.ru
- 5) Deadline for Applications is August 1, 2020

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