

**Festival MUSIC ON THE WATER is back!**

**12. of July 2025**

**Kohtla-Järve City Park (Keskallee 36, Kohtla-Järve)**

*Let's dive into the summer magic! The festival "Music on the Water", which will take place for the fifth time this year, will be a salve for the soul! There will be a special atmosphere created by the verdant landscape, serene water and delightful sounds of music.*

**15:45 – 16:00**

**On the square in front of the Cultural Center,**

**The ballroom dance group REVERANSS**

Dance teacher: Olga Halliksaar

**16:00 – 16:30 next to the Cultural Centre**

**Kohtla-Järve City Orchestra**

Conductor: Aleksandr Saveljev

The Kohtla-Järve City Orchestra has been bringing together talented local musicians for over 30 years and enriching the city's cultural life with regular concerts and events.

The orchestra's diverse repertoire — ranging from classical to pop music — offers memorable experiences for audiences of all ages.

**16:40 ON THE SMALL STAGE (on the pond)**

**Michael Bulychev-Okser (USA)**

Michael Bulychev-Okser is an internationally acclaimed American pianist, composer, and educator, praised by The New York Times as "enticing and brilliant." He has performed on the world's most prestigious stages, including Carnegie Hall, Kennedy Center, and Wigmore Hall. Michael is a Professor of Piano and Chamber Music at Lucy Moses School at Kaufman Music Center in New York. He also organizes international music events such as the Gershwin International Music Competition in New York and the Classical Hugs Music Festival in Estonia, during which two concerts will be held at the Kohtla-Järve Cultural Center on July 17 at 17:00 and at 18:00.

**17:00 – 19:00 in the CHILDREN'S AREA:**

The youngest guests of the festival are invited to enjoy a fun-filled children's program and two performances by the Draakonipesa Theatre (Tallinn):

LULLABY FOR A CATERPILLAR – the journey of a little caterpillar becoming a beautiful butterfly.

A performance for ages 0+ (for children just beginning to discover the world of theatre).

BINKY THE LITTLE TIGER – Binky the tiger is turning one year old. Mom is making a beautiful birthday cake, while Binky is poking his nose everywhere because everything is so interesting... And suddenly... his stripes disappear! Oh no, what now? How can you celebrate a birthday without stripes? They must find out who can return Binky's stripes – or at least lend him some.

What happens next and how the birthday ends – you'll have to see for yourself!

A cheerful, colorful story full of music. Very few words. Recommended for ages 3+.

## **18:00 ON THE MAIN STAGE**

### **HORTUS MUSICUS**

Artistic director: Andres Mustonen

Founded by Andres Mustonen, Hortus Musicus stands as the oldest continuously performing ensemble of its kind in Eastern Europe, and one of only a few worldwide with such a long history.

While categorized as an early music ensemble, the group's distinctiveness lies in its unconstrained and inventive approach to music from all eras.

## **19:00 Official opening of the festival**

### **19:20 ON THE MAIN STAGE**

#### **Elina Nechayeva**

Elina Nechayeva is an Estonian opera singer (soprano) known for her powerful voice and captivating stage presence. She rose to fame after winning the Eesti Laul 2018 with the song "La Forza" and went on to represent Estonia at the Eurovision Song Contest, winning the hearts of audiences across Europe.

## **20:00 ON THE MAIN STAGE**

### **Narva Symphony Orchestra**

Conductor: Anatoli Štšura

Concert "In the World of Waltz":

Vivaldi, Strauss, Arditi, Puccini, Sibelius, Valgre, Doga, Tchaikovsky, Delibes.

#### **Soloists:**

– Anastassia Tsupina (soprano)

– Deniss Kotsarenko (musical saw)

– Liam Keneally (violin, Australia)

## **22:00 ON THE DANCE STAGE**

### **Jazz ensemble from Cyprus – NESTEROV TRIO:**

Leonid Nesterov (keyboards)

Andreas Rodosthenous (bass)

Andreas Stefanou (drums)

NESTEROV TRIO is a collective of like-minded musicians united by a shared passion for jazz. Their repertoire seamlessly blends timeless jazz standards with original compositions. While rooted in Cyprus, the trio maintains a vibrant presence on the international jazz stage.

*This concert is part of the XXVII summer festival "Music of the Seven Cities."*

## **23:30 - 01:30 ON THE DANCE STAGE**

### **Dance night**

### **You can also enjoy at the festival:**

**CRAFT ALLEY:** creative workshops, a handmade goods fair, the Kohtla-Järve Artists' Association, and more.

**CHILDREN'S AREA:** bouncy castle, face painting, games program and children's theater performances.

**LIVING SCULPTURES** and vibrant photo zones

### **STREET OF FLAVORS**

**MOTORCYCLE RIDES** with MC East Riders

**HORSE RIDING** with SUKSUTALL OÜ

Representation of the **KOHTLA-JÄRVE YOUTH PARLIAMENT**

... and many other exciting activities for the whole family!

**The festival will be hosted by:** JAUNE KIMMEL and EDUARD TEE

### **ADMISSION IS FREE!**

Some services and attractions require a fee – please bring cash!

**"Music on the Water" – feel the summer in every note!**

**Bring your friends and family — let's make summer memories together!**

**The project is supported by:** Integratsiooni sihtasutus and Kohtla-Järve Linnavalitsus



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3. CHILDREN'S AREA:  
bouncy castle, face painting,  
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Theatre DRAAKONIPESA  
performances and play program
5. Living Statues
6. MOTORCYCLE RIDES, MC East Riders
7. SMALL STAGE 16:40  
Michael Bulychev-Okser (USA)
8. HORSE RIDING, Suksutall OÜ
9. HANDICRAFT ALLEY
10. Creative Workshops
11. Kohtla-Järve Youth Council
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13. Spectator seating
14. WC
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