

Culture in Prague

For your lovely experience we have arranged a selection from the major places, where you will find the best cultural events in Prague. For the programme and tickets reservation, be so kind and contact the concierge.



Prague State Opera

Prague State Opera is located in a beautiful building, the former New German Theatre, built in 1888. The opera has a rich artistic tradition and has seen performances by many leading conductors, directors and singers.



The basis of the repertoire is made up of successful versions of the most popular operas by W. A. Mozart, G. Verdi, G. Puccini and G. Bizet. The State Opera will celebrate the end of the year with a New Year's Eve performance of Strauss' Die Fledermaus together with a gala evening.



National Theatre

The National Theatre is one of the most important Czech cultural institutions and has a rich artistic tradition, which helped to maintain and develop the Czech language and Czech musical and dramatic arts. The



construction of the National Theatre building was financed by contributions from the public and the ceremonial laying of the foundation stone in 1868 became a national event. The theatre's repertoire is based on a rich classical tradition, but also focuses on contemporary domestic authors and draws on modern global trends. The current National Theatre is made up of three artistic companies – opera, drama and ballet.



Theatre of the Estates

In addition to the historical National Theatre building, all the three artistic units also perform in the Theatre of the Estates, which is part of the National Theatre. It is regarded as one of the most beautiful historic theatre buildings in Europe and dates from 1783. The name of



W. A. Mozart is forever linked with the building and it was here that he personally conducted the premiere of Don Giovanni in 1787. Mozart opera's – Don Giovanni, The Magic Flute, Cosi fan tutte and Le nozze di Figaro – are still in the repertoire.



Municipal House

The Municipal House represents the most significant feature of the Prague Art Nouveau period, and which is also the seat of the Prague Symphonic Orchestra. The concert halls of the Municipal House is one of Prague's most impressive and significant concert halls, primarily due to superior acoustic and its magnificent Art Nouveau interior. The building is crowned by the outstanding



decor created by most of the prominent Czech artists of the day, namely the painters and the sculptors: Alfons Mucha, Max Svabinsky, Frantisek Zenisek, Bohumil Kafka, Josef Vaclav Myslbek. The Municipal House is situated in the center of Prague.



Rudolfinum

Rudolfinum is one of the most famous concert halls in Prague – it is the second most important pseudo – renaissance building after the National



Theatre in Prague. Rudolfinum is the seat of the Czech Philharmonic Orchestra. Rudolfinum was built during the years of 1876–1884. It has been designated as a concert hall and has excellent acoustic parameters.



Churches

Prague has a lot of churches built in different centuries which have an exceptional acoustics. They frequently offer concerts of classical music, combining thus work of famous composers with the appreciation of genuine architecture.



Black-Light Theatres

The original principles of black-light theatre, illusory creations, altered reality perception, the revealing of the hidden secrets of things and the magic world of their transformations, mime and modern dance are today offered by black-light theatres in various variations.



National Marionette Theatre

National Marionette Theatre Marionette shows for children and adults have a long tradition in the Czech Republic and many of the master marionettes' creations are real gems of artistry and craftsmanship. The marionette version of Mozart's famous "opera of operas" Don Giovanni is, however, a quite extraordinary sight. The National Puppet Theatre presents this exceptional opera in a unique classic marionette theatre version, in period costumes and on a large marionette stage.