

**XVI International Festival and Contest
on island Wolin, Poland (Baltic sea, near Germany)
International Project CULTURE CARAVAN - 2020**



Dates for Winter and Spring:

MUSIC ISLANDS OPEN / SINGING ISLANDS OPEN: 21-24.02.2020

AMBER STARS / DANCE ISLANDS OPEN: 20-23.03.2020

Application deadline – 1 month before festival **(if there are still places!!!)**

No age limit. All category of art – music, dance, vocal, theater, visual art, circus etc.

Contest system – points (qualification, not competition between participants).

Possibility to take part only in festival program (non-competitive participants).

Nominations (amateurs and professionals):

Choreographic groups and solo

- 1) classic ballet;
- 2) folk dance, folk stylized dance, ethnic dance;
- 3) ballroom dance;
- 4) sport dance (hip hop, disco, techno, street, electric boogie, break dance, pop locking and other street styles);
- 5) modern dance (jazz modern, neoclassic etc.);
- 6) variety dance;
- 7) social dance (Argentine Tango, balboa, bachata, boogie, waltz, West Coast swing, zouk, Irish set dancing, country music, kizomba, lindy hop, machine, merengue, reggaeton, rueda, salsa, samba de gafieira, Semba, forró, hustle, and others). And others.

Instrumental groups and solo

- 1) percussion instruments;
- 2) guitar;
- 3) accordion and button accordion;
- 4) folk instruments;
- 5) jazz style ensembles;
- 6) chamber orchestras;
- 7) symphony orchestras;
- 8) pianists solo or ensembles for one piano. And others.

Singing (choirs, ensembles, duo, trio, solo)

- 1) academic singing;
- 2) jazz singing;
- 3) rock and rap;
- 4) folk singing;
- 5) pop singing;
- 6) musicals. And others.

Artists and authors of visual arts, fashion theaters

- 1) fashion theaters;
- 2) students of art schools and child art schools;
- 3) students of art colleges, academies and institutes;
- 4) photo and video. And others.

Original genre*

- 1) circus, clownery, acrobatics, art gymnastics, juggling;
- 2) illusion;
- 3) pantomime, variety miniature, theatre miniature;
- 4) stand up. And others.

**Air, fire and animal acts are prohibited.*

Age groups of the participants:

- 1) younger than 9 years old
- 2) 10-12 years
- 3) 13-15 years
- 4) 16-19 years

- 5) 20-25 years
- 6) from 26 years
- 7) mixed

* *The group age is based on the majority of the participants.*

**Festival package from 125€ per person.
Groups 24+1 free.**

Accommodation in towns and resorts Wolin region, at the Baltic sea (about 20-30 km from festival venues). Most venues of winter festivals will be held in Międzyzdroje – a resort town at Baltic sea, close to Germany. Accommodation for participants are also planned in Międzyzdroje.

Price includes:

- accommodation in 2-3-4-bed rooms (with WC and shower) for 3 nights with 2-meals (breakfasts + lunches);
- integration event;
- festival fee (Jury, diploma, festival cup, festival gifts).

Note: *no transport included.*

Additional payments:

- solo 15€/pers;
- duo 10€/pers;
- additional nomination/song/dance/piece 10€/pers;
- additional night with 2-meals (breakfast + lunch) 35€/pers;
- evening meal 5€/pers;
- single room on request (35€/pers).

**maximum 5 soloists/duets from one delegation; if delegation perform as a group also, then maximum 3 soloists/duets.*

Price does not include:

- visa consular payment
- (visa invitation/confirmation is sent only after festival package payment);**
- medical insurance (must have!);
- transport to festival and during festival program.**

***If you do not have your own bus, transfers are of individual price.*

Nearest big international airport is in Berlin (3 ½ hours from festival). Transfers from/to Berlin and all transport service during festival program starts from 45€ per person (depends of number of people in your group). Also we have smaller international airport in Szczecin (Stettin, Goleniów) – check, if you have any flight connections.

ATTENTION: Warsaw is the other end of Poland! It is about 11 hours away!

For participants from Baltic sea region it is recommended to come by own bus – very convenient and budget price.

All questions about application and travel write to fundacja.benefis@gmail.com

You should confirm with us shorter or longer stays. The number of groups is limited. Therefore we will appreciate, if you can apply for participating before deadline.

Organizers:

Foundation BENEFIS, Wolin, Poland.

Municipal Cultural Center of the city Wolin and other Culture Houses of West Pomeranian Voivodeship.

Patronage:

Lord of Mayor of Wolin.

Lord of Mayor of Golczewo.

Lord of Mayor of Kamień Pomorski.

Lord of Mayor of Międzyzdroje.

Partners and support:

Palace von Belov in Wolin, Wolin historical museum, Wolin museum of Slavs and Vikings.

Local and international press, TV Słowianin, TVO Gdańsk, info portals iKamien, Kamienskie.info, iZachodniopomorskie and others.

Repertoire:

Each **group** presents 2 competitive compositions of free choice of 2-5 minutes each.

Each **solo/duo** presents 1 composition up to 4 minutes.

Theater – all performance or part of it duration up to 20 minutes (including decoration fixing, performance and leaving stage empty).

Visual Arts - each participant presents not more than 2 works max size of A3, topic and techniques of free choice. One additional work will be created during festival.

If your presentation goes with playback (for example, choreography), all the music should be recorded on USB pendrive. Additional copy of music tracks on another USB pendrive is obligatory.

In the application form it's necessary to specify if the performance goes as one set or you need time between compositions.

Competitive performances for vocalists with playback are not allowed.

Organizers have their right to take photo, video and other documents during the events and use them to promote festival without any honorarium to the groups and soloists.

Prizes

The Jury (invited by Organizers) evaluates the participants on 10-point scale.

All participants receive: Diploma, 1/2/3 Laureate Diploma, Gran Prix, festival cup, festival gifts.

Jury decision is final.

Up to 6,99 points – participant Diploma;

7 < 7,99 points – 3rd Laureate Diploma;

8 < 8,99 points – 2nd Laureate Diploma;

9 < 10 points – 1st Laureate Diploma;

10 points **and** Jury decision – Gran Prix. Gran Prix may not be awarded.

Program of stay (detailed program is sent to participants not later 10 days before festival):

1 day – Arrival approx. by 12:00 am. Accommodation in check-in hours. Lunch. Free time for excursions (optional*). Meeting with Organizers, integration event.

2 day – Breakfast. Rehearsals. Lunch. Competitive performances. Diplomas award.

3 day – Breakfast. Free time for local museums/excursions (optional*). Lunch. Festival day – festival performances on different stages in different towns of Western Pomeranian Voivodeship (could be also in Germany on Usedom island if you apply in a very advance).

4 day – Breakfast. Check-out before 10:00. Free time for excursions (optional*) and additional performances for those who stay longer.

Optional* in Międzyzdroje:

In your free time - walking along the sea, souvenir shopping.

Wax Museum (tickets 4€/person).

Gabinet Figur Woskowych w Międzyzdrojach
Bohaterów Warszawy 19, 72-500 Międzyzdroje
www.woskowe.pl

Parrots Life (tickets 4€/person)

Gryfa Pomorskiego 4,
72-500 Międzyzdroje
<https://www.facebook.com/PapugarniaZSW/>

Tourist Train, about 30 minutes (tickets 4,5€/person).

<http://www.holidayexpressno1.pl>

Baltic Miniature Park (tickets 4€/person with festival badge, approximately 2 km from the town center, walking distance).

Ul. Nowomyśliwska 98
72-500 Międzyzdroje
<http://baltyckiparkminiatur.pl/galeria>

The Organizer reserves the right to any changes in the program, and the participants will be informed on time. The copy right of all video materials and pictures are ownership of the Organizer of the Festival. By applying you confirm that you accept all festival conditions.

We have already organised more than 80 festivals, Western Pomerania was visited by creative groups and soloists from Russia, Belarus, Ukraine, Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan, Azerbaijan, Estonia, Latvia, France, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Holland, Germany, Bangladesh, Republic of South Africa, Indonesia, Malaysia, Malta and more.



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APPLICATION FORM

We accept only online applications <https://goo.gl/forms/Xf7Lh82jtaQo9uLL2>

List of participants, including drivers (SURNAME NAME, date of birth, passport number, role in the group) is sent in word to fundacja.benefis@gmail.com

N	Surname, Name	Sex M/F	Passport number	Date birth	Role in the group Art Director/ Group leader/ Dancer/Musician etc

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