## **Western SLOVAKIA**

Bratislava

■ DISCUSSION: TEDxBratislava - The fifth year of this conference that focuses on innovation, creativity, new technologies and ideas worth spreading around, will see, among other things, designer and engineer Štefan Klein, dancer Jaro Viňarský, Iceland-ic traveller Vilborg Gissurardóttir, US photographer Nan-cy Ann Coyne and others. There will also be "viewing parties" in other locations of Bratislava, for example, Cvernovka.

Starts: July 5, 8:00; new wak National Theatre Slovak National Theatre building, Pribinova 17. Ad-mission: €50-€200 for the whole day. More info: www. tedxbratislava.sk.

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■ CLASSICAL MUSIC: Baroque Explorations 2014 – Jolanta Kowalska-Pawlikowska, sop-Jolanta rano; Zoltán Megyesi, tenor; Marian Krejčík, bass; Musica Aeterna and Szczawnicki Chór Kameralny will perform Baroque music.

Starts: July 4, 20:30; Franciscan Church, Franciscan Square. Admission: free. More info: www.citylife.sk.

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■ SPORTS FESTIVAL: Festival Divokej Vody 2014 / White-water Festival 2014 - The third year of this unique event of-fers aquatic sports (rafting for €1), relaxation and various competitions and games in the white-water complex in Čunovo near Bratislava, for adults and children.

10:00; Starts: July 5-6, 10:00; Areál Divoká Voda Čunovo. Admission: free. More info: www.divokavoda.sk.

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■ MUSIC/MULTICULTURAL:

Medzinárodná Bratislava / International Bratislava - Within the Cultural Summer in Bratislava, the California Bratislava, Youth Symphony will play in the Slovak Radio building; visually impaired musicians from Slovakia, Hungary, the Czech Republic and Poland will sing in the Main Square,





RE-ENACTMENTS of Knights' Camp - Knights' Mounted Tournaments at the historical site of Devin near Bratislava include historical fencing, period dances, crafts, coin minting and period food and beverages that used to be enjoyed on festive occasions. On July 6, the event organised by Tovarišstvo Starých Bojových Umení a Remesiel (Guild of Old Martial Arts and Crafts) and the City Museum Bratislava, starts at 11:00. Tickets cost €4-€6; more information can be found at www.bkis.sk, Photo: Sme www.tostabur.sk.

as will Balkan Strings from Serbia; and jazz, ethnic and folk concerts will be offered in the Main and Hviezdoslavovo Squares.

Starts: July 1-6, evenings; various sites. Admission: various, mostly free. More info: www.bkis.sk.

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■ CHESS: Maxišach - Maxi-Chess - Open-air chess on the pavement in the park will be open and free to the public.

Starts: Fri 15:00-20:00; weekends 14:00-20:00 July 4 -Aug 24; Hviezdoslavovo Square. Admission: free. More info: www.bkis.sk.

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**EXHIBITION:** Svet Japonských Bábik / The World of Ja-panese Dolls – Exhibition panese Dolls - Exhibition brings the 70 most common traditional Japanese dolls, reflecting an aspect of everyday

life and local artisan skills. Open: daily except for Mon 9:00-17:00 July 4 - Aug Mon 9:00-17:00 July 4 - Aug 24; Main building of the Slovak National Museum, Vajanského Nábrežie 2. Admission: €2-€4. More info: sk.emb-japan.go.jp; www. www.snm.sk.

## Central SLOVAKIA

Východná/Liptov

FOLKLORE FESTIVAL: Folklore Festival Východná - The oldest folklore festival in Slovakia celebrates its 60th anniversary with a four-day programme that includes battles of folklore ensembles, con-certs of soloists, a choir and the orchestra of the Lúčnica ensemble playing together in a full-length performance.

Starts: July 3-6; municipality of Východná. Admission: €4-€24. Tel: 02/5293-3321; www. ticketportal.sk; www. festivalvychodna.sk.

Banská Štiavnica ■ CLASSICAL MUSIC: Festival Bachovej Hudby - Bachtribute 2014 - The festival of Bach's music focuses on the works of this genius composer, per-formed by organ players from three countries (Tomáš Mi-hálik, Imrich Szabó and Zuzana Vontorčíková from Slova-kia; Peter Frisée from Austria and Filip Holacký from the Czech Republic).

Starts: July 1-5, various hours; St Catherine's Church. Admission: €3-€4. More info: www.bachtribute.com.

## **Eastern SLOVAKIA**

Tatranská Lomnica ■ CRAFTS EXHIBITION: Sú-časní majstri ĽUV / Current Master of Folk Crafts -Two contemporary masters of tra-ditional folk crafts and arts, Jozefína Bilíková and Cyril Horák, present accessories made of cloth and metal. The exhibition offers works that are traditional, but with elements of modern design.

Open: Tue-Sat 10:30-16:30 until Sep 13; ÚĽUV Gallery, Tatranská Lomnica 36. Ad-mission: free. Tel: 052/4467 -322; www.uluv.sk.

MAZAL Tov Košice, the festival of Jewish culture, this year offers a new project, the Jewish Music of Visegrad, featuring bands from Slovakia (Kaschauer Klezmer Band), Hungary (Budapest Klezmer Band), Poland (Max Klezmer Band) and the Czech Republic (reading of blogger Beáta Beregrad to the music of EldoraRe). The festival also offers a photo exhibition, a tour of Jewish sites in the city, a quiz, and traditional Jewish cuisine and kosher wines. Events take places in various venues between July 4 and 6, with the guided tour on August 2-3. Tickets can be bought via Ticketportal, MiC Košice or one hour in advance at the site. More

information can be found at www.mazaltov.sk.

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