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## The sixth international jazz festival will be held in Uzbekistan – Anhor



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The sixth international jazz festival in Uzbekistan will be held from April 30 to May 18, 2022. The festival is held on the occasion of the celebration of International Jazz Day, officially proclaimed throughout the world by UNESCO in 2011. It is organized under the auspices of the UNESCO Office in Uzbekistan by the Foundation for the Development of Culture and Art of Uzbekistan, the State Conservatory of Uzbekistan and the Tashkent Khokimiyat with the generous support and participation of the embassies of France, Germany, Hungary, India, Poland, Slovakia, Switzerland and the United States. This was reported to Anhor.uz by UNESCO. The head of the UNESCO office in Uzbekistan, Mr. Alexandros Makarigakis, stated that: "Jazz is the art of self-expression. A jazz musician is more than just a performer; he or she is an artist in the eyes of the public, creating a work of art once and for all! UNESCO believes in the ability of jazz to promote peace, dialogue and understanding between people and nations. The purpose of our festival is to provide an opportunity for jazz musicians from Uzbekistan and abroad to glorify this universal language, cultural diversity and intercultural dialogue through various musical events. As the famous jazz artist Bill Evans said: "Jazz is not what, it's how."

International Jazz Day is an annual event that supports "the growing international recognition of jazz as a force for peace, unity, dialogue and greater human contact." And yet, this day is one of the most important musical events in the world, including in Uzbekistan.

Uzbekistan has been participating in the global jazz celebration since 2015. Since then, year after year, the festival has been expanding and increasing the interest of the participants. Within the framework of the current festival, about 20 concerts of jazz performers from abroad and Uzbekistan will take place at the State Conservatory of Uzbekistan, which will become the main venue and celebrate its 85th anniversary, as well as an open-air concert in Ichan-Kala in Khiva, concerts in the regional musical Drama Theatre. Ogakhi in Urgench, the Music and Drama Theater in Bukhara and the Ilkhom Theater. In addition, master classes and jam sessions will be organized at the music school named after. Uspensky, the Circus College in Tashkent, the State Conservatory of Uzbekistan, the Bonum Faktum Gallery and the Makom Bar in Tashkent, as well as the College of Music in Bukhara.

It is important to note that traditionally the participants of the festival are a large number of jazz stars from different countries who come to Uzbekistan not only to demonstrate their skills, but also to expand their ties and become a member of the international jazz society. Celebrities such as Tim Burner (Germany), Ginetta's Vendetta (USA), Igor Butman and Russian Jazz Orchestra (Russia), Gregory Privat Trio (France), Aga Zaryan and Mikal Tokay (Poland), Hayk Grigoryan Quintet (Armenia), Benny and The Jazz Collective - Benedikt Lazarus (India), Milo Suchomel and Pavol Bereza (Slovakia), Flora Kiss and Matthias Toth (Hungary), Pat Appleton, voice of De-Faz (Germany), Malcolm Braff and Claire Hugenen (Switzerland), Tony Momrell (Great Britain), Melvin Travis and the Cheremizov Quartet (France and Russia),

All proceeds from ticket prices will go to charity.