



2nd London Festival of Bulgarian Culture

1 - 30 November 2012

Programme

Thursday, 15th November 2012, 7.30pm
21-25 St John's Hill, London, SW11 1TT

European Jazz - big band with special guests

Big Band of the Bulgarian National Radio
Liane Carroll (vocals)
Ian Shaw (vocals)

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Big Band of the Bulgarian National Radio



The basic field of activities of the Big Band of the Bulgarian National Radio is to produce recordings for BNR's Sound Archives. Since its founding in 1960 until today, the Big Band has recorded over 1000 pop and jazz pieces by Bulgarian and foreign authors. Many of its concert performances have been broadcast live on television.

During the period 1962-1966 its conductor had been the world famous jazz pianist and composer Milcho Leviev. The Orchestra was awarded with a gold medal at the Helsinki Festival in 1962.

For 35 years its artistic director had been Villy Kazasjan (1934-2008). With him at the helm the Big Band carried out extensive concert activities, and a number of appearances at

Bulgarian and international forums like the Golden Orpheus, Melody of the Year etc.

Since 1998 the Big Band is being managed by Janko Miladinov, pianist and conductor. He has updated the repertoire and has organized a round of concerts under the name of "Perspectives". Soloists in the events are young pop and jazz talents of Bulgaria.

Since 2001 the Orchestra is taking part in the annual international jazz festivals in Bansko.

Since October 2010. Head of Big Band is Anthony Donchev - approved pianist and composer.

Liane Carroll & Ian Shaw

Liane Carroll has performed, recorded, and toured worldwide as a solo artist, with her own trio, and many other musicians, including Gerry Rafferty, Long John Baldry and Ladysmith Black Mombasa. She has been a regular headliner at Ronnie Scott's for 15 years. In 2005 she was the first person ever to win 2 awards at the BBC Jazz Awards, picking up Best Vocalist, and "Best of Jazz". Her latest album "Up and Down" won best album at this year's Parliamentary Jazz Awards.



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Twice voted "Best Jazz Vocalist" at the BBC Jazz Awards, **Ian Shaw** is widely regarded as one of the most distinctive, original and creative performers on the scene and has over the years worked worldwide alongside the likes of Quincy Jones, Abdulluah Ibrahim, Cleo Laine, Kenny Wheeler and John Taylor as well as radio big bands in Britain and Germany. He has over a dozen recordings in his own name, 3 on American labels, and has guested on countless others.



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Ivo Stankov – Organiser of LFBC

Classical Concerts Productions is a company operating in the field of arts, with particular focus on music. Director of the company is Ivo Stankov - Bulgarian born and currently living in London. Being an active performer himself, Ivo combines his artistic experience with managerial skills to present a number of successful cultural projects in the capital such as 'London Festival of Bulgarian Culture (LFBC)', for which he was awarded a Silver Medal from the Bulgarian Ministry of Foreign Affairs.



Teodora Ruseva – Events Manager LFBC

Having lived in Bulgaria, The Netherlands and the U.S., Teodora Ruseva is currently studying TV & New Broadcasting Media and English Literature at Kingston University - London.



Svetla Dionisieva – Director of BCI London

Svetla Dionisieva is the Director of the Bulgarian Cultural Institute London, and has been so since its creation in 2010. She has an extensive cultural background, including degrees in theatre direction and acting from universities in Prague and Sofia, and numerous years of experience in the industry. Svetla has always had a passion for Bulgarian culture, and it is her mission for the Bulgarian Cultural Institute London to share the treasures of the country and its culture with others, especially those outside of Bulgaria, in order to both bring out a similar passion in them and show the true significance of Bulgaria's heritage to as wide an audience as possible.



Evgeni Vasilev – Graphic & Web Designer

With more than 12 years of professional experience in graphic and web design, Evgeni is highly dedicated and strongly driven individual. His key qualities are the excellent design skills, combined with his passion for new technologies and everything digital. Graduated as cinema & television director, and having worked as multi-media artist at InterSpace New Media Arts Centre, Evgeni possesses the skills & qualifications necessary to make significant contribution to any digital art project.



Lyudmil Karavasilev – Public Relations – Bulgaria

Lyudmil Karavasilev is experienced marketing communications and PR professional currently working for a large international bank as a brand manager. He took part in the development of some of the most exciting art and sports sponsorships and CSR campaigns in Bulgaria, and in a number of award-winning advertising & PR campaigns. For him the partnership with the LFBC could be the start of an exciting adventure worth taking.



Evgeni Dimitrov - Bulfoto – Public Relations – Bulgaria

Evgeni Dimitrov is a photographer and founder of the leading Bulgarian photo agency Bulphoto. His pictures often appear on the front pages of Bulgarian news media and in Internet. His agency is a partner of a number of international media – both European and American ones. Mr. Dimitrov is a member of the jury of the prestigious BG Press Photo Awards and organizer of several visual projects in cooperation with Sofia Municipality, EU representative office in Bulgaria and the Office of the European Parliament. Mr. Dimitrov is among the founders of the Days of the Bulgarian Culture in Rome in 2006, as a part of the Bulgarian Cultural & Informational Center in Rome, together with the La Fenice association.



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NBLO also maintains a strong private client practice and services high-net-worth individuals (HNWIs) and non-HNWIs from both overseas and Bulgaria in arranging their Bulgarian and cross-border estates, pensions, family affairs and in catering for their employment and immigration needs.

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We believe in the importance of supporting cultural initiatives, building on our strong interest in cultural property and charity law. We are proud to sponsor the London Festival of Bulgarian Culture.

We would like to thank the organisers who have worked tirelessly to put on a series of events and workshops that makes a compelling bid for the need for Bulgarian culture's more prominent representation in London's cultural calendar.

We hope you enjoy the events of the festival. In the meantime, if we can facilitate any of your plans in Bulgaria with legal advice and representation, we would be more than happy to assist you. For more information on what we do, please visit our website at:

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Classical Music	Varna Bulgarian Symphony Orchestra Martin Georgiev & Vania Vatrlova-Stankov <i>Bulgarian and British Symphonic Folk Songs</i>	3 Nov
	Chilingirian Quartet & Friends <i>Music Delights from the Romantic Era</i>	6 Nov
	Isis Ensemble & Ivo Varbanov <i>Pictures at an Exhibition for strings</i>	12 Nov
	Inspirity Quintet <i>Clarinet Quintet master pieces</i>	13 Nov
	Dimitar Burov (violin) & Mina Miletic (piano) <i>Eastern and Western passionate melodies</i>	22 Nov
	West London Sinfonia & Devorina Gamalova <i>Bulgarian & English concerto premieres</i>	24 Nov
	Arcadia Mundi, George Hlawiczka & Ivo Stankov <i>'Jupiter', Piazzolla, and something more</i>	25 Nov
Jazz Music	Alexandra Jekova Jazz Trio	8 Nov
	JP3 Jazz Trio <i>Jazz with a twist of Bulgarian folklore</i>	10 Nov
	The big band of the Bulgarian National Radio Liane Carroll & Ian Shaw <i>European Jazz - big band with special guests</i>	15 Nov
Folk Music	London Bulgarian Choir & A Spell In Time <i>Bulgarian folk songs and tales</i>	9 Nov
	Trio Perunika	28 Nov
Choral Music	Seven Saints Church Choir	1 Nov
	Holst Choir (JAGS) & Paulina Voices	3 Nov
	London Bulgarian Choir	9 Nov
	London Irish Choir	10 Nov
Pop Music	Filip Avramov & Milena Avramova	21 Nov
	Bogdana Karadocheva, Mihail Belchev, Stefan Dimitrov, Kristina Belcheva	28 Nov
Film	Mr Gladstone and the Bulgarians	1 Nov
	Number 1	21 Nov
	Operation Smenti Kapelli	24 & 25 Nov
Theatre	Theatre Sofia - <i>Monodrama</i> Gadulkata Gori' and 'When The Rock was Young'	17 & 18 Nov
	Theatre 199 - 'Pleasantlyscary'	30 Nov
Dance	Dunav Balkan Group	10 Nov
	Tanetz Dance Group	28 Nov
Poetry / Literature	Contemporary Poetry from Bulgaria	31 Oct
	Presentation of the book 'Alo, Bulgaria'	14 Nov
Exhibition	Dimitar Voinov - Junior	8 - 22 Nov
Events	British-Bulgarian Society	10 Nov
	Gala evening dedicated to Bulgaria	28 Nov

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