



**THE GOVERNMENT OF ST. PETERSBURG**

VII INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL  
**CHILDREN'S PETERSBURG**  
ROTTERDAM 2016

**From 1<sup>st</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> September 2016 in Rotterdam**, the city of the Netherlands, the annual cultural project of the Government of St. Petersburg – **The VII International Festival ‘Children’s Petersburg’** – will take place.

Diverse festival’s programme including music, artistic, drama and educational events once again present to the audience a unique opportunity to get acquainted with creative achievements of the Northern Capital companies.

**The festival’s programme includes:**

**7 – 11 September**

**Exhibition of children drawings ‘Petersburg through the eyes of a child.’** Experienced art critics have selected best works made by pupils of Petersburg art schools from 9 to 17 years old. Paintings in different styles and techniques have in common following thoughts on Russian cultural capital – St. Petersburg: back streets, gardens, parks, fountains, canals, bridges, cozy houses, architectural masterpieces and peculiar symbol of St. Petersburg – white nights.

*Place of holding: De Doelen Concert Hall (Rotterdam, Schouwburgplein, 50).*

**8<sup>th</sup> September, 17:00**

**Gala concert of classical music** performed by young musicians, the best students of the Rimsky-Korsakov St. Petersburg State Conservatory, which will be included into special programme of The Gergiev Festival honouring Sergei Prokofiev’s work.

*Place of holding: De Doelen Concert Hall (Rotterdam, Schouwburgplein, 50).*

**9<sup>th</sup> September, 9:30-11:00 and 11:30-13:00**

**Workshop on acting skills is divided in two parts.** The event will be held by **Sergei Byzgu** – honoured artist of Russia, actor of the V.F. Komissarzhevskaya Drama Theatre, founder and director of the Children Theatre Studio ‘Teatr-Klass’ at the ‘Unison’ school, director of acting course at Russian State Institute of Performing Arts, laureate of several theatre awards. The event will be also held by **Olga Karlenko** – leading actress of St. Petersburg A.A. Briantsev’s Youth Theatre and director of the ‘Teatr-Klass’ theatre studio. The workshop programme will include exercises focused on developing muscle memory and attention training, foretaste and emergence of feelings, collective work, coordination and calisthenics.

*Place of holding: Theatre ENTREE (Rotterdam, Pieter de Hoochweg, 222).*

**9<sup>th</sup> September (time is to be confirmed)**

**Ballet workshop will be held by Vladimir Shklyarov** – principal dancer of the State Academic Mariinsky Theatre, laureate of prominent international contests and winner of the grant ‘Zegna – Mariinsky New Talent Awards’ dedicated to basic principles of classical dance. Ballet workshop includes basic bar elements of ‘exercice’ in the middle of the class, method of learning dance studies.

*Place of holding: The Royal Academy (The Hague, Prinsessegracht, 4).*

**9<sup>th</sup> September, 19:00**

**Performance ‘Children’s Hello from St. Petersburg’** will be presented by St. Petersburg Children Theatre Studio ‘Teatr-Klass’. It is a kaleidoscope of shows from over the years staged by studio’s teaching directors in cooperation with children from 12 to 16 years old.

The Studio, celebrating its 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary this year, is aimed to educate and grow up an internally beautiful and well-balanced human. Studio’s changeless directors Olga Karlenko – leading actress of A. Bryantsev’s Youth Theatre and Sergei Byzgu – honoured artist of Russia.

*Place of holding: Theatre ENTREE (Rotterdam, Pieter de Hoochweg, 222).*

**10<sup>th</sup> September, 12:00**

‘Puppets and Clowns’ (‘CIRCUS’) is a one-act circus performance with marionettes for children will be presented by Y.S. Demmeni St. Petersburg State Marionette Theatre – the first professional state puppet theatre in Russia. Bright marionette show includes separate sketches using all possible tricks and effects with the elements of parody, absurd, lyrics and a view of human abilities, hobbies and fun from outside.

*Place of holding: Russian Centre ‘Matryoshka’ (Rotterdam, Clara Egginkstraat 4).*

International festival 'Children's Petersburg' will become a bright event in cultural life of the Netherlands and once again will demonstrate the importance of children's creativity and creativity focused on youth having proved that it is demanded and interesting.

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