



Maramures area cultural, travel & traditional events agenda

10th - 11th of June

The Male Dance Festival - Petrova

People living in Petrova are proud to host a rather rare happening; a festival dedicated to folk dances performed exclusively by men. Among the events of the festival, there is also a traditional drummers' (*dubasi*) competition.

Further info: 0262.363.136

9th - 11th of June

Lapus Festival - Targu Lapus

The most important local festivity taking place in Lapus will consist of folk music shows, contests, a traditional art exhibition and "Horea in grumaz" festival, a particular type of throat-sung traditional song which has consecrated Grigore Leşe , a well known Lapus-born folk singer.

Further info: 0262.384.465

11th of June

Even Though I'm Just A Child - Budesti

Children - traditional dance and singing bands from all over Maramures will gather and compete in the festival taking place in Budesti village, in the Cosaului Valley.

Further info: 0262. 373.669

11th of June

Armindenii in Rogoz - Rogoz

Rusalii is a Christian custom reminding us of the descent of the Holy Spirit. Traditionally, young lads from Rogoz have to build a tall pole (called an 'Armindeanul') ornamented with flowers and raise it in the middle of the village.

Further info: 0262.384.211

11th - 18th of June

'Atelier' International Drama Festival - Baia

Mare

Following the 13 editions held in Sfantu Gheorghe and Sighisoara, it's time for Baia Mare to host the 'Atelier' International Theatre Festival. Shows from UK, France, Hungary, Japan, Switzerland, Bulgaria and România will be played at The Baia Mare Municipal Theatre.

Between 11th and 17th of June the festival will extend its events also to Satu Mare.

17th -18th of June

Cavnic Festival - Cavnic

Open-air festivities held at the base of the Gutai Mountains which will culminate with the traditional 'joagar' (wood cutters') competition.

Further info: 0262.495.515

17th -18th of June

Goulash Festival - Ocna Sugatag

Food lovers will surely be the undisputed winners of the goulash cooking contest. Goulash is a traditional, spicy dish, originally from Hungary, made of beef, onions, red peppers, and paprika powder.

Further info: 0262.374.005

18th of June

Dance in Valeni - Valeni

All Saints' Sunday is a moment of celebration through traditional dance and singing in the Cosau (mower) Valley, Valeni village.

Further info: 0262.373.084

23rd -25th of June

Viseu Festival - Viseul de Sus

Inhabitants of Viseu will celebrate their festivities through open-air shows including traditional dances and songs.

*If you happen to reach Viseu, you shouldn't miss a ride with 'Mocanita' a small, steam powered train slowly passing through beautiful mountain scenery.

Further info: 0262.352.880

23rd -25th of June

Chioar Festival - Somcuta Mare

The 7th edition of the event will gather local traditional musicians and a traditional costume display.

Further info: 0262.281.080

24th of June

The Night of Sanziene

The Night of Sanziene takes place during the summer solstice, and is a moment dominated by many magical beliefs and practices, with a tradition that goes back in the shades of time as a fascinating mix of christianity and paganism (witchcraft related) beliefs.

Sanziene is also a celebration of love, of young people ready to join their life's paths. On the evening before Sanziene, boys and girls that have reached the age of marriage gather around in the village.

Unmarried girls place some freshly picked Sanziene flowers in the eaves of their houses as a luck-bringing custom.

This custom is still celebrated in the traditional way, throughout many villages in Maramures.

Sanzienele – Baita de sub Codru

Further info: 0262. 264.887

The crown of Sanziene - Tautii Magheraus

Further info: 0262 293.048

Nights of Sanziene - Borsa

Further info: 0262. 342.249

Come Mary to Sanziene - Rona de Jos

Further info: 0262 480.436

Mowing and pie fest - Mesteacan

Women of Mesteacan challenge each other in a pie baking contest, and also, more surprisingly, in a mowing contest.

Further info: 0262. 480.436

1st – 30th of June

History of Baia Mare's School System - Baia Mare

Exhibition showcasing different aspects of Baia Mare's school system from the last 4 centuries.

Further info: 0262.211.927

29th of June

Sanpetru (Saint Peter's) Dance– Sindresti

The celebration of Sindrest Church's patron saints Peter and Paul; an occasion on which a special sermon is followed by a traditional festivity, filled with folk dance and songs.

Further info: 0262.226.736

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