Holiday of the week

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Kupalie fest celebrated in Minsk Region's Smolevichi District

Exhibitions

NATIONAL ART MUSEUM OF BELARUS
20 Lenin Street

Until 16th February 2014. *Portrait of Ludwik Kondratowicz — Władysław Syrokomla*: exhibition of one picture of Adam Szemesz from Lithuanian Art Museum
Until 18th April 2014. *Slutsk Sashes*
Until 26th August. *Portraits of the Grand Dukes of Lithuania and Nobles of the Grand Duchy of Lithuania*

NATIONAL HISTORY MUSEUM OF BELARUS
12 Karl Marx Street

Since 8th June. *Puppet Ball of the Northern Palmyra*

MUSEUM OF THEATRE AND MUSIC CULTURE HISTORY
5 Muzykalny Lane

Until 15th September. A *Cardboard Heart*: exhibition of author dolls by Yekaterina Pustovalova

YAKUB KOLAS SQUARE

Until 20th September. *The Artist and the City: Kazimir Malevich*

BELARUSIAN STATE CIRCUS
32 Nezavisimosti Avenue

12.07-18.07. Elephants at Minsk Circus

MUSEUM OF NATURE AND ECOLOGY
9a Bogdanovich Street

Flattering Flowers exposition
Since 30th May. *Born by the Sea*

VILNIUS ART GALLERY
55 Kalinovsky Street

Until 20th July. *The World with the Dream*

Theatres

BELARUSIAN STATE ACADEMIC MUSICAL THEATRE
44 Myasnikov Street

12.07. The Bat 14.07. Duke Luxembourg 15.07. Women's Revolt 16.07. Once in Chicago 17.07. True History of Lieutenant Rzhevsky 18.07. Twelve Chairs

YANKA KUPALA NATIONAL ACADEMIC THEATRE
7 Engels Street

12.07. HandelBach 14 and 18.07. Pinsk Gentry 15.07. Paulinka 16.07. Office 17.07. Dinner with Nuts

MAXIM GORKY NATIONAL ACADEMIC DRAMA THEATRE
5 Volodarsky Street

12 and 13.07. Oracle 14.07. The Executioner

THEATRE-STUDIO OF FILM ACTORS
13 Pobediteley Avenue

12.07. #13 13 and 14.07. A Very Simple Story 18.07. Who Laughs the Last

MODERN ARTS THEATRE
5 Oktyabrskaya Street

14.07. Fairytales from the Cofferet

REPUBLICAN THEATRE OF BELARUSIAN DRAMA
44 Kropotkin Street

12.07. White Angel with Black Wings 15.07. Mister Joke 16.07. The Broken Nest 17.07. Three Giselles 18.07. Escape from Elsinore or Hamlet Invertedly

Concerts

TUSE
57B Surganov Street

12-18.07. Musical Evenings at Tuse

JACK CLUB
12 Nemiga Street

12, 13 and 18.07. Musical programme at Jack Club
16 and 17.07. GBOB Belarus musical contest

GRAFFITI
16 Kalinin Lane

12.07. Rock-n-Roll with The Apples band 14.07. Pop rock: Vektor Ego band 15.07. Zhenya Novash Birthday: ZhZL band 16.07. Festive Harvest of Apricot Crop 18.07. Reggae: Addis Abeba band

Kaleidoscope of history unveiled

July of decades and centuries past comes to life

July 12th. In 1788, Belarusian linguist, folklorist and ethnographer **Ivan Nosovich** was born.

July 13th. In 1889, **Sergey Nikolaev** was born — a Belarusian and Russian theatrical artist. He was a People's Artist of Belarus, an Honoured Artist of Russia and a laureate of the USSR State Award.

July 16th. In 1863, Belarusian architect **Tikhon Kibardin** was born. Vitebsk's general plans for 1890 and 1902 were developed under his guidance and, in 1921, Mr. Kibardin headed construction of a Vitebsk monument to the war heroes of 1812.

July 17th. In 1888, **Alexander Voznesensky** was born — an expert in Ukrainian and Russian literature and pre-October Revolution Belarusian literature, as well as Belarusian theatrical history from the 1920s and the deconstruction of literature.

July 18th. In 1195, the first Grand Duke of Lithuania, **Mindaugas**, was born. He united the lands of Novgorod, Polotsk and eastern Lithuania, creating a single Belarusian-Lithuanian state, which became the Grand Duchy of Lithuania.

July 18th. In 1909, Soviet state figure and diplomat Andrey Gromyko was born in the Gomel Region. He was twice a Socialistic Labour Hero (1969 and 1979), a Doctor of Economic Sciences, a USSR Foreign Minister (1957-1985), a Chairman of the USSR Supreme Council's Presidium (1985-1987), a laureate of the Lenin Award (1982) and the USSR State Award (1984) and an author of the *Commemorative Book of Recollections*.

July 14th. In 1633, the Great Duke of Lithuania, Władysław IV Waza, established the Benedictine Monastery in Minsk.

July 14th In 1929, Oktyabr Sewing Factory began its work.

July 14th. In 1920, the Central Bureau of the BSSR Trade Unions was established, becoming the first ruling body of Belarusian trade unions.

July 15th. In 1918, a People's Art School was set up in Vitebsk — led by Pen, Dobuzhinsky and Chagall. In 1921, it became an Art Institute and, in 1923, became Vitebsk's Art School. In 1939, it was renamed as Vitebsk's Art College, existing until 1941.

July 15th. In 1938, the BSSR State Puppet Theatre was officially launched in Gomel. In 1950, it moved to Minsk and, in the mid-1960s, moved to its current location at the Pioneer cinema.

July 16th. In 1990, the BSSR Council of Ministers grouped Polotsk's historical and cultural monuments as Polotsk's Historical-Cultural Reserve (of national significance).

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July 16th. In 2007, an international training camp for young hockey players opened at the sports arena of Yunost-Minsk club.

July 17th. In 1924, the districts of Logoisk, Ushachi, Khotimsk, Chashniki, Chausy, Cherven, Cherikov, Shklov, Shumilino, Mozyr, Korma, Kostyukovichi, Krasnopolie, Lepel, Krichev, Krugloe, Krupki, Lelchitsy, Liozno, Lyuban, Petrikov, Pukhovichi, Tolochin and Uzda were established.

July 17th. In 1930, four institutes were set up in the BSSR: chemical-technological, construction and electrotechnical (in Minsk) and mechanical (in Gomel).

July 18th. In 1992, Vitebsk hosted the 1st International Festival of Young Performers; since 1998, it has been known as the International *Slavianski Bazaar in Vitebsk* Festival of Arts.

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