

Image of the week



New Year celebrations become bright symbol countrywide

Exhibitions

NATIONAL ART MUSEUM OF BELARUS

20 Lenin Street

Permanent exhibition *Belarusian Artists from the 19th-early 20th Century*

From 6th April. *Amazing Belarus*
From 7th June. *Diverse Painting*
Until 8th January. *Promenades through Paris*

Until 31st January. *Russian Genre Painting from the 19th-early 20th Century*

Until 24th February. *Uzbek Art*

NATIONAL HISTORY MUSEUM OF BELARUS

12 Karl Marx Street

Permanent exhibition *16th-18th Century Belarus in Portraits and Heraldry*

From 8th May. *Reflections of the Military Glory*

From 6th May. *Medieval Instruments of Punishment*
Until 9th January. *Unfinished Play for Mechanical Awl*

Until 3rd February. *Beginning. Museum of Contemporary Belarusian Fashion*

Until 16th January. *Returned Moments. Jews from Tsar's Russia*

CULTURE UNIVERSITY ART GALLERY

1 Oktyabrskaya Square

JAZZ — exhibition of Maria Borisenko's tapestry

YANKA KUPALA STATE LITERARY MUSEUM

4 Y. Kupala Street

Permanent exhibition *Kupala Land Poetry*

From 27th October. *Planet Belarus*

Theatres

REPUBLICAN THEATRE OF BELARUSIAN DRAMA

44 Kropotkin Street

08.01. Two Dogs Tale 09.01. House-Spirits
10.01. The Man in the Bowler Hat
11.01. Around the Capital 12.01. Diamond Sky
13.01. Adam's Jokes

YANKA KUPALA NATIONAL ACADEMIC THEATRE

7 Engels Street

10.01. HandelBach
12.01. Belarus in Fantastic Stories
13.01. Sakhalin Island

NATIONAL ACADEMIC BOLSHOI OPERA AND BALLET THEATRE

1 Parizhskoy Kommuny Square

08.01. The Magic Flute 09.01. Creation of the World

MAXIM GORKY NATIONAL ACADEMIC THEATRE

5 Volodarsky Street

08.01. Stars from the Seventh Heaven
09.01. Pane Kokhanku 11.01. Esfir 12.01. Caught in the Net 13.01. An Ideal Husband

MODERN ARTS THEATRE

5 Oktyabrskaya Street

07.01. Prostokvashino New Year Holidays
08.01. Karlsson-on-the-Roof New Year Adventures

BELARUSIAN STATE PUPPET THEATRE

20 Engels Street

07.01. Jack Frost 08.01. Pin-Pin Adventures
09.01. Aladdin and His Wonderful Lamp

BELARUSIAN STATE MUSICAL THEATRE

44 Myasnikov Street

08.01. Golden Chicken 09.01. Little Red Riding Hood. Generation NEXT 11.01. Arshin Mal Alan
12.01. A Night in Venice 13.01. Yunona and Avos

Concerts

MINSK CONCERT HALL

5 Oktyabrskaya Street

07-09.01. In Expectation of New Year Eve show
11.01. OLD STAR New Year

Kaleidoscope of history unveiled

January of decades and centuries past comes to life



8th January. In 1913, poet **Yaroslav Smelyakov** was born.

10th January. In 1597, Rzech Pospolita Orthodox church figure **Piotr Mogila** was born.

10th January. In 1892, **Vasily Fedorov** — a Russian and Belarusian director and People's Artiste of Belarus — was born.

11th January. In 1921, **Alexander Belov** — an actor and Honoured Artiste of Belarus — was born.

12th January. In 1941, People's Artiste of Belarus **Vladimir Mulyavin** was born.

12th January. In 1925, actor **Alexander Leonov** was born.

12th January. In 1935, Belarusian ballet dancer and Honoured Artiste of Belarus, **Raisa Krasovskaya**, was born.

13th January. In 1906, **Alexander Fajntsimmer** was born — a film director and Honoured Art Figure of Belarus and Lithuania.

13th January. In 1920, Belarusian violinist and conductor **Boris Afanasiev** was born.

7th January. In 1919, the first sitting of the Provisional Workers' and Peasants' Soviet Government of Byelorussia took place.

7th January. In 1901, a solemn ceremony was held to open and consecrate the first city monument honouring Tsar Alexander II.

10th January. In 1897, the first all-Russian census was collected, showing that Belarus' population had reached 6,899,000 — including 90,912 residents of Minsk.

10th January. In 1966, Krinitsa sanatorium opened near Minsk.

10th January. In 1989, Minsk's Religious School reopened after a 72 year break.

10th January. In 1932, the 1st All-Belarus Session of Inventors began its work in Minsk.

11th January. In 1971, Kommunarka Confectionery, in Minsk, was solemnly awarded the Order of the Red Banner.

11th January. In 1959, Minsk's Refrigerator Plant was founded, based on existing workshops producing white goods.

11th January. In 1961, industrial mining of potassium salt began at Soligorsk Potash Plant.

12th January. In 1895, the first electricity station began operations, lighting some central streets.

12th January. In 1591, Rzech Pospolita King Sigismund III granted Minsk the Magdeburg Right and awarded its official emblem of Our Lady, angels and cherubim, against a blue background.

13th January. In 1896, a school opened in the city to train craftsmen.

13th January. In 1104, Kievan Rus dukes formed a coalition and crusaded to Minsk — organised by Vladimir Monomakh.

13th January. In 1921, the first issue of BSSR *Central Executive Committee News* newspaper was released (published until January 23rd, 1923).

