

# **DASH ARTS DACHA**

MONDAY 12 JUNE - TUESDAY 11 JULY RICH MIX, E1 6LA / FREE

A MONTH-LONG EVER-CHANGING ENCHANTED PERFORMANCE SPACE MODELLED ON THE ICONIC RUSSIAN SUMMER HOUSE SET WITHIN THE REVOLUTIONARY TURMOIL OF 1917 THROUGH THE EYES OF ONE FAMILY

DAILY PROGRAMME FEATURING: LIVE MUSIC FILMS / FOOD / FEVERED DISCUSSION / PLAYS / DJS

With tea from the samovar and vodka from the bar...

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# "THE MOST FUN, RAUCOUS LATE-NIGHT DANCING AT THE FESTIVAL" Observer Review at Latitude 2016

Welcome to our Dacha, a rural summer idyll with a kitchen stocked full of vodka, hot tea and snacks. Our Russian country house delves into life in the year of 1917 through the eyes of the Popov family dacha in Vyritsa, several hours outside Petrograd. Each weekend through the month will explore a season in the turbulent revolutionary year.

Lose yourself in films, dressing up, board games and cards, live music and impromptu theatre performances where audiences can pick up a script and help us bring to life a classic play from the period.

# "BEST DISCOVERY" Observer Review at Latitude 2016

Sip tea from the Samovar that keeps on giving, partake in fevered political discussion with special guest speakers, and dance to a late night DJ set that draws on a century of Russian music and culture.

# "UTTERLY COMPELLING" Morning Star

All our events are free – drop in throughout the day for tea, snacks and conversation or come specifically to participate in our impromptu performances, be part of our workshops, listen to live bands and dance to djs.



# DACHA OPENING PARTY

# Mon 12 June / 8.30pm — Late MAZAIKA DUO & DJ SASHA

Mazaika Duo open with their intoxicating blend of contemporary folk songs, jazz, tango and gypsy fiddle. DJ Sasha will play out the evening with a set of rocking tunes from across the Post Soviet states. Vodka shots to early comers!

Free but booking recommended **rsvp@dasharts.org.uk** 



# SPRING 1917

# Sat 17 June / 12 – 4pm

# 12.30pm IRYNA MUHA

Ukrainian songstress beguiles us with some classic ballads and folk songs.

## 2pm EAST 15 ACTING SCHOOL

Premiere of new plays inspired by the vibrant culture & political turmoil of the Soviet Century: *Gorbachev* (dir. Lewis Frost); *Her Lover and Four People* (dir. Daniela Atienca); *Witness* (dir. Selena Lu).

# Sun 18 June / 12 — 6pm

2pm & 5pm SASHA ILYUKEVICH Belarusian troubadour sings songs inspired by the lush poetry of the silver age.

## **3pm THE FORBIDDEN PATH**

A feast of Russian wonder tales from deep in the forest with storyteller **Rachel Rose Reid**.

## SUMMER 1917

# Sat 24 June / 12pm - 12am 2pm SASHA ILYUKEVICH

The Belarusian troubadour sings songs inspired by the lush poetry of the silver age.

#### **3pm THE SUICIDE**

An impromptu performance of Nikolai Erdman's surreal and hilarious farce of life and death in Moscow. Pick up a script and join our cast.

#### 5pm AROUND THE KITCHEN TABLE with KINO KVARTIRNIK

A subversive musical conversation, to mark the 25th anniversary of legendary musician Viktor Tsoi's death.

#### 6pm LEVIATHAN 2014

Andrey Zvyagintsev's Oscarnominated epic film set in a bleak Russian coastal town on the Barents sea.

#### 8.30pm SASHA ILYUKEVICH & THE HIGHLY SKILLED MIGRANTS

An incomparable brew of post-punk electric energy and folk lyricism.

#### 9.30pm DJ SASHA

A set of rocking tunes from across the Post Soviet states.

## Sun 25 June / 12pm - 12am

#### 2pm & 8.15pm POLINA SHEPHERD & CHOIR

The wonderful Russian singer and choir leader fills our Dacha with epic songs from the Steppes.

#### **3pm PETER AND THE WOLF**

A live performance of Sergei Prokofiev's wonderful work for family audiences.

#### **5pm THEATRE BORSCHT**

Russian classics re-told with a cast of pickled vegetables from the Dacha garden.

#### 6pm RUSSIAN ARK 2002

Alexander Sokurov's gorgeous filmic journey through Imperialist Russia filmed in 33 rooms of St Petersburg's Winter Palace.

#### 9.30pm DJ MOURRKA

London's only Slavic gangster cat DJ closes out the night.

## Sat 1 July / 12pm - 6am 2pm ELENA DANA

Ukrainian songstress blends Russian ballads and folk music with whimsical spice and lyrical charm.

#### **3pm SOVIET ANIMATION**

An afternoon of curated highlights on our home screen.

#### 5.30pm AROUND THE KITCHEN TABLE with ALISSA TIMOSHKINA

A live cooking demo on pickling and fermenting vegetables from the Dacha garden.

# TEN DAYS THAT SHOOK THE WORLD

## ALL NIGHT PERFORMANCE: Sat 1 July / 7pm - 6am

Join us for impromptu performances, interspersed with film screenings, live music sets, DJs and an early morning breakfast for those that last the night!



## 7.30pm MAZAIKA DUO

Intoxicating blend of contemporary folk songs, jazz, tango and gypsy fiddle.

#### 8.30pm, 11pm, 1.30am & 3.30am TEN DAYS THAT SHOOK THE WORLD

Impromptu performances and dramatic readings taken from John Reed's sensational 1919 book recounting his first-hand experiences of the 1917 October Revolution.

#### 9.30pm REDS 1981

Warren Beatty's Oscar-winning drama of American journalist John Reed's journeys to Russia to document the Bolshevik Revolution.

## 11.30pm DJ SASHA

Rocking tunes from across the Post Soviet states.

## 12.30am SASHA ILYUKEVICH & THE HIGHLY SKILLED MIGRANTS

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## 2am OCTOBER 1927

A screening of Eisenstein's epic retelling of the rebellion that results in the overthrow of the Tsar's Winter Palace.

## 4.30am BREAKFAST

A Russian feast for those who survive the night!

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# AUTUMN 1917

## Sun 9 July / 12 – 8pm

#### 12pm EAST 15 ACTING SCHOOL

Story-telling, music, peg puppetry workshops, one-to-one theatre, craftsmanship and cooking.

#### 5.30pm IZBA VOICES

Traditional Midsummer songs and rituals.

#### 6pm BURNT BY THE SUN 1994

Nikita Mikhalkov's oscar-winning film set in the Russian countryside at the peak of Stalin's purges.

# SPECIAL EVENTS

# AND QUIET FLOWS THE DON

## Thu 22 June / 6pm

A rare opportunity to experience this stunning 6-hour epic film directed by Sergey Gerasimov (1957) telling the story of the lives of the Cossacks in a village in in southern Russia between 1912 and 1922.

## AROUND THE KITCHEN TABLE with THE KITCHEN CABINET & JAY RAYNER

## Tue 11 July / 6pm

Join Jay Rayner and friends for a special BBC Radio 4 recording of *The Kitchen Cabinet*.

Booking essential **bbc.co.uk/showsandtours/shows** 

## Mon 12 June - Sun 9 July

# Open Rehearsals Mon 12 June 2-6pm Wed 14 - Fri 16 June & Wed 21 & Thu 22 June 10am-4pm Performances Fri 16 June 7.30-9.30pm Sat 17 June 2-4pm

Inspired by the vibrant culture and political turmoil of the Soviet Century East 15 takes up a daytime residency. Join the MA/MFA Theatre Directors for open rehearsals of newly devised plays, verbatim theatre and long-form improvisation — all accompanied by the bubble of the samovar in the unique ambience of our Dacha installation.

## **GORBACHEV** Directed by Lewis Frost

When the fight between a failing state and separatists gets to breaking point, the leader must work with his rivals. Will he overcome treachery and double dealing? A new play and participatory event on the power struggle between Gorbachev and Yeltsin.

## HER LOVER AND FOUR PEOPLE Directed by Daniela Atiencia

Russian short stories of lonely lovers and train wrecks by Gorky and Averchenko brought to life. Satisfaction guaranteed or your roubles back.

## WITNESS Directed by Selena Lu/Dead Leaf Theatre Company

A widow of Stalin's regime and a nuclear widow from Chernobyl; both determined to tell the truth. A new work, drawn from Hope Against Hope by Nadezhda Mandelstam and Voices from Chernobyl, a collection of oral history by Svetlana Alexievich and current news feeds.

# Thu 6 & 7 July 10am-4pm Sun 9 July 11am-8pm OPEN HOUSE AT THE DACHA

Drawing inspiration from the wealth of Russian literature and Folk tradition from early history through Pushkin to the present day actors from the MA Acting programme will open their house with a mixture of performance, music, story, puppetry, one-to-one theatre, song, craftsmanship and cooking.



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DASH ARTS DACHA is produced by Dash Arts and curated by co-Artistic Directors Josephine Burton and Tim Supple and designed by Bryan Woltjen. Packed with musicians, actors, activists and thinkers, it has played to rave reviews at Latitude Festival, British Library, Wandsworth Arts Fringe and Rich Mix.



The Dacha forms part of REVOLUTION17 an explosion of performance by artists from across the Post Soviet States.

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