

# JUNE 2018 Our Ms Slavica just celebrates her work anniversary!

# "Mrs SLAVICA - from the 3rd Floor - just celebrated her 15-YEAR WORK ANNIVERSARY! "



Our lady from the 3rd floor - Mrs SLAVICA - celebrated her 15-YEAR WORK ANNIVERSARY a few days ago!

To keep FIT, Mrs Slavica **walks to work** AND back - every day, in ANY weather! Over the last 15 years, she has walked **about 5,500 km**!

Fit as a fiddle, she ensures **perfect cleanliness** in your guest rooms and provides an absolute **FEEL-GOOD** 

#### atmosphere on the 3rd Floor...

Over the last 15 years, she has made up OVER 80,000 beds!

We celebrated THIS great achievement of course with a glass of Champagne!

A BIG "thank you", Mrs SLAVICA, for your tireless DEDICATION!

# "NEW BOX-SPRING BEDS - AND NEW BOX-SPRING BED BENCHES!"



Outside, the **SUN** was shining – indoors many strong men were sweating!

Old beds had to be disassembled / brought out in front of our entrance and then removed. At the same time, the new beds were lugged through our stairwell and assembled...

By the late afternoon, we were finally ready: Most of the **SINGLE BEDS and other BED BENCHES** had been replaced by **BOX-SPRING beds**!

Your "good night's sleep" will be EVEN BETTER!

## "Our terrace is full of blooms and fragrant smells once again!"



Fancy a glass of wine or a cup of coffee **amid the oleander flowers and summer blooms?** Then go straight to the 2nd Floor, sit down and **enjoy**.

On our terrace, the **tables and chairs, deck chairs and parasols are out again for your pleasure. Take a short break with refreshments in complete tranquillity**, before another round of sightseeing in the city.

## "Our "man in white" - is back in action as an acrobat!"



Once again, Mr Dauti wanted to reach "NEW HEIGHTS"!

Therefore, he grabbed his **5m-high ladder** and for days on end, enjoyed lofty heights as he repainted our **ENTIRE KITCHEN**, as well as our **BAR** and our **EMPLOYEE DINING ROOM**...

And all this while the Kitchen /Service was still operating...!

The result turned out to be **GREAT, as usual...** "Thank You" Mr Dauti!

## "Current and upcoming EVENTS in Vienna in June 2018"



Interested in music, theater, the opera, museums, and exhibitions? We'll be happy to **keep you informed** about **all the dates / schedules** and perhaps even let you in on **a few secrets** too...

o Music Film Festival at City Hall Square

o Vienna Jazz Festival

o Summer in the MQ

o Life Ball dedicated to "Sound of Music"

## Musik Film Festival at City Hall Square



From June 30 to September 2, Vienna's City Hall Square is a vibrant meeting place for night owls who enjoy combining culture with food. Delicious dishes and music films from opera to pop guarantee perfect summer evenings - with free admission every day.

The Music Film Festival at City Hall Square is one of the most enticing offers in Vienna during the summer. It thrills 900,000 visitors annually, making it the biggest culture and food festival in Europe. 5,200 seats are available.

Something to suit every taste is also offered by the 25 or so international leading gastronomers on site as well as by the music film program, which covers every genre and is shown on the 300 m<sup>2</sup> open-air screen.

The 28th Film Festival will start on June 30 with Giacomo Puccini's opera "La Bohème", conducted by Gustavo Dudamel. This is followed in the area of classical music by highlights such as Bernstein's "Young People's Concerts: Forever Beethoven" and Beethoven's "Symphony No. 9" with its famous Ode to Joy. Daniil Trifonov, the new star in the pianist firmament, plays Chopin (July 7 and August 1), Glenn Gould can be heard with the legendary "Goldberg Variations" (July 13 and August 8). Naturally, present-day opera divas also have their evenings: Elina Garanca (in "Carmen" on August 4 and 22) and Anna Netrebko (in "Aida" on August 10 and 26).

Norah Jones (July 2 and 23), Alicia Keys (July 5 and August 2), Die Fantastischen Vier (July 26 and August 30) and Falco (August 25) get the hearts of pop fans racing. The Bossa Nova is honored with "Bossa 60" (July 10 and August 11).

For fans of musicals, "Miss Saigon: 25th Anniversary Performance" (July 27 and August 28) is a must-attend event. Dance fans can experience a modern production with "Discofootball" (July 12 and August 6), which is intended as a small homage to the football World Cup.

### 28th Music Film Festival 2018 - June 30 to September 2, 2018

Admission is free! Information and program (from May 28, 2018): <u>www.filmfestivalrathausplatz.at</u> Film starts: daily at nightfall International cuisine: 11.00 am – 12.00 midnight

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## Vienna Jazz Festival



From June 15 to July 10, the Vienna Jazz Festival brings high-ranking stars such as Thomas Quasthoff and Caro Emerald to Vienna's stages. The Vienna Jazz Festival, a fixed item on the annual festival calendar, offers more than the eponymous cool sound. A range of genres including soul, funk, pop, electronic and ethnic sounds are on the program – and all at the best

#### venues.

The kick-off performance for the summer concert series already starts on June 15 at Wiener Stadthalle with the 81-year-old legend Kris Kristofferson. His hits such as Me And Bobbie McGee and Help Me Make It Through the Night have been sold millions of times and covered by dozens of other artists. The singer, songwriter and actor has already collected three Grammys and a Golden Globe.

Starting in July, the sounds at the Vienna State Opera are the very best there are: it begins with the MTV Europe Music Award winner Caro Emerald. The Dutch jazz and pop singer (A Night Like This)presents her new album. (July 1)

The following day, the Austrian jazz star Norbert Schneider honors the State Opera with a show that features a large formation and illustrious guest celebrities.

Jazz aficionados and fans of classical music alike are familiar with him: Thomas Quasthoff – who many also know as an opera star and song interpreter. He performs his first solo album since 2010: "Nice'n'Easy," with his favorites from the great American songbook. Quasthoff is accompanied at the State Opera by bassist Dieter IIg, drummer Wolfgang Haffner, the brilliant pianist Frank Chastenier and the big band from the orchestra of Vereinigte Bühnen Wien. (July 3)

On July 4, the State Opera features a double concert: Melody Gardot, a singer-songwriter from the United States, is followed by the Austrian crooner Louie Austen.

Another evening with multiple artists: In this rare constellation, the bassist Dieter IIg from Freiburg and trumpeter Till Brönner from Berlin are offering a melodious, masterly and uncompromising duo performance. The young jazz singer Jazzmeia Horn will open for them. (July 5)

The American singer, songwriter, rapper, record producer, actor and Grammy award winner CeeLo Green performs in Austria for the first time: On July 6 at the Vienna Jazz Festival. On July 7, the 39-year-old soul queen Corinne Bailey Rae is gracing the Vienna State Opera house. Bettye LaVette, another legendary soul vocalist, also appears on the Vienna State Opera stage the same evening.

There are many more performances in the program of the Vienna Jazz Festival – by jazz legends as well as rising stars. There will also be an open-air concert on June 30. Let the summer of festivals roll on!

### Vienna Jazz Festival 2018 - June 15-July 10, 2018

various venues <u>www.jazzfest.wien</u>, Tickets: <u>www.wien-ticket.at</u>

### Summer in the MQ



The summer season in the MuseumsQuartier (MQ) begins on 12 May. Numerous events will be held until September. Just stop by – you will find lots going on in the MQ all summer long.

Vienna's MuseumsQuartier (MQ) is one of the biggest cultural areas in the world. The mix of large museums, small cultural initiatives and trendy bars is a success

story. This year, the summer season will begin with a free open-air concert given by the Wiener Symphoniker on May 12 at 7:00pm. It will be followed by the Summer Opening on May 17 with live concerts and free admission to all MQ institutions starting at 5:00pm. Until the end of September, the inner courtyards of the MuseumsQuartier draw visitors with a boules area, cozy guest gardens, cool weekend sounds by DJs as well as the stylish MQ furniture to relax on.

The playable sculpture park "MQ Amore" opened up again to all mini-golf fans on April 5. On the square in front of the MQ, artists have created twelve sculptures in the form of minigolf courses, which visitors are actually allowed to play on. Open until October from 10.00 am to 8.00 pm (in summer until 10.00 pm). The international festival "MQ magicStories" on May 31 and June 1 will be all about storytelling.

The O-Töne Literature Festival organizes first-class open-air readings again, every Thursday in July and August. Film fans also get their money's worth in July and August: During the summer, the frame[o]ut festival provides audiovisual surprises on the outdoor cinema screen in the MQ, every Friday at 9.30 pm, starting on 13 July.

### Summer at MQ - 12 May - 30 September 2018

The entire program can be found at www.mqw.at

# Life Ball dedicated to "Sound of Music"



The Life Ball is celebrating its 25-year anniversary on June 2 with an homage to the classic film "The Sound of Music" and an exhilarating party with the theme of solidarity, tolerance and education. This year's AIDS charity event will once again be graced by numerous celebrities such as the actress Charlize Theron and the singer Shirley Bassey. A benefit concert with special appearances by opera stars will be held in the

#### Burgtheater beforehand.

The Life Ball is one of the biggest AIDS charity events in the world. The party on June 2 in and in front of Vienna City Hall promises to be flashy, colorful and loud, in order to generate donations for AIDS relief projects and to promote public awareness of HIV and AIDS. This year the Life Ball is dedicated to the international hit musical "The Sound of Music" (1965). The melodies from the film and the moving story of the von Trapp family from Austria are famous around the world.

Key scenes from "The Sound of Music" will be interpreted at the glamorous opening show on Rathausplatz with numerous performances by international stars, showing Austria between tradition and innovation, local heritage and globalism. Conchita Wurst plays the role of Miss Maria, who was portrayed by Julie Andrews in an unforgettable performance in the film. Actress Charlize Theron, the exceptional artiste Shirley Bassey and Paris Jackson, daughter of Michael Jackson, have already confirmed their attendance. The show on City Hall Square is open to the public; details will be announced.

The Life+ Celebration Concert for the benefit of HIV/AIDS relief projects will be held at Burgtheater on the evening before the Life Ball. International opera stars such as Jonas Kaufmann, Andreas Schager, Elena Maximova, Hila Fahima and Kristin Lewis will raise their voices against AIDS at the Life+ Celebration Concert. The virtuoso violinist Lidia Baich will perform solos. Literary treats between the musical offerings are promised by theatrical greats such as Sunnyi Melles and Markus Meyer. 80 years after Austria was annexed to Germany, the singer Ute Lemper performs Yiddish songs from the ghetto to commemorate this sad moment in history.

### 25th Life Ball - June 2, 2018

Red Carpet from 19:30, food from 18:00 Opening show on City Hall Square at 22:00

Tickets: <u>www.wien-ticket.at</u> <u>www.lifeball.org</u>

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