

# Cultural, Social and Touristic Events

## LENT FESTIVAL 2011

During the entire period of our School and Conference there will be the international Festival Lent, offering a very rich variety of performances every evening and every night in the Lent area of Maribor, on the banks by the river Drava (medieval part of the old town).

### MONDAY 27 JUNE 19:30: WELCOME DINNER

On Monday 27 June 2011 at 19:30 (thus after the dinner) we shall gather in the ART Kavarna in the Hotel PIRAMIDA, to get together and to enjoy a glass of fine Slovenian wine, followed by the dinner.

### TUESDAY 28 JUNE 2011 21:00: OFFICIAL OPENING OF THE SCHOOL AND CONFERENCE WITH A CONCERT

The official opening of our 8th School and Conference will take place on Tuesday 28 June 2011 at 21:00 in the ART Kavarna in the Hotel PIRAMIDA. We begin with a chamber music concert by the String Quartet Feguš, followed by the opening addresses. After the speeches there will be a reception with some good Slovenian wines.

### SATURDAY 2 JULY 2011: MARIBOR, WINE TASTING, CONCERT, BANQUET AND FIREWORKS

15:30-17:00 There will be a guided sight seeing tour through the city of Maribor, starting at Tourist Information Center (TIC) at Partizanska cesta 6, just in front of the entrance to the church called Frančiškanska cerkev.

17:00-18:00 Visit of the (huge) wine cellar of the VINAG Wine Company at Trg svobode 3 (100 meters from Grajski trg) and wine tasting programme.

20:00 We gather at the ART Kavarna of the Hotel PIRAMIDA enjoying a glass of champagne.

20:00-20:50 Concert: Mrs. Urška Orešič will play and sing for us.

20:50-23:45 Banquet

23:45-00:15 Fireworks of the Festival Lent

### SUNDAY 3 JULY 2011: AN EXCURSION THROUGH SLOVENIA

On this day we organize an excursion which starts at 08:30 and we return to the residences in Maribor in the evening.

Lake Bled (in the Alps), Cave of Postojna, old town of Ljubljana, capital of Slovenia. The price is about 155 EUR per person, which includes everything, lunch and dinner, except for the drinks, and all entrance fees etc. This trip is strongly recommended to participants who are visiting Slovenia for the first time. We return to Maribor at about 23:30. If there will be less than 15 registered passengers in this trip, we shall organize another one, shorter and cheaper.

### MONDAY 4 JULY 2011 21:00: PUBLIC EVENING LECTURE BY PROFESSOR SARA A. SOLLA, NORTH-WESTERN UNIVERSITY, CHICAGO, USA

At 21:00-22:00 there will be a Public Evening Lecture delivered by *Professor Sara A. Solla* from Northwestern University, Chicago, USA, entitled *From neural activity to movement*.

The lecture will take place in the Lecture Hall of Hotel PIRAMIDA (amphitheatre at the underground level).

### TUESDAY 5 JULY 2011: DEDICATED TO THE 65TH BIRTHDAY OF PROFESSOR PREDRAG CVITANOVIĆ, GEORGIA TECH, ATLANTA, USA

This day is dedicated to the celebration of the 65th birthday of Professor Predrag Cvitanović.

09:00-10:00 A Festive Public Lecture by Professor Predrag Cvitanović in Velika dvorana of the University Main Building at Slomškov trg 15.

21:00-22:00 A chamber music concert by the piano trio Infinitum, about 50 minutes, at Kazinska Dvorana of the Slovenian National Theatre in Maribor, at Slomškov trg, just next to the Main University Building and the cathedral. After the concert there will be addresses and speeches, followed by a reception with good Slovenian wines.

WEDNESDAY 6 JULY 2011 20:00: CONCERT AND FESTIVE DINNER

20:00 We gather at the ART Kavarna of the Hotel PIRAMIDA enjoying a glass of champaign.

20:00-20:45 Chamber music concert (Barbara Danko on violin, and Špela Kržan on flute)

20:45-23:00 Banquet

SATURDAY 9 JULY 2011: LAST DINNER AND FIREWORKS

We shall gather at 20:00 to enjoy the last informal dinner with some good wines in good atmosphere and shall admire the closing fireworks of the Festival Lent at 23:45-00:15 in the Lent area. Good bye MARIBOR 2011! See you at MARIBOR 2014.

*All events except for the trips on Sunday 3 July are free of charge for all invited lecturers and for other participants of the School and Conference, as they are covered by the conference budget for the local expenses and by the participation fees.*