

## XXIII Eesti Päevad Austraalias 23rd Estonian Festival in Australia

27 - 31 December 2010, Adelaide

www.eesti.org.au/festival

Monday	y 27 <sup>th</sup> December		Early Bird	After 1 <sup>st</sup> Nov
1.00pm	Official Opening of the Festival & Church Service	St. Stephen's Lutheran Church	FREE	FREE
ceremon	cial opening of the XXIII Eesti Päevad - 23 <sup>rd</sup> Estial church service at St Stephens Church, 152 eremony with musical accompaniment.			
10am- 4pm	Arts & Crafts Exhibition	Greenhill Gallery	FREE	FREE
3.00pm	Arts & Crafts Exhibition Official Opening	Greenhill Gallery	FREE	FREE
Come a	nd enjoy the opening of the Festival's Arts	and Crafts exhibition. Nur	merous Australi	an-Estonian

artists will display their work which may include paintings, drawings, prints, photography, sculpture, textiles, ceramics, woodwork, metalwork and jewellery. Pieces will be available to view and purchase throughout the festival.

3.00pm	Conference of Clergy and Congregations	St. Stephen's Lutheran Church	Participants only	Participants only
4.00pm	Literary presentation - Nikolai Baturin and his novel "The Centaur"	Estonian House	FREE	FREE

As a contribution to the Year of Reading 2010, the literary historian Dr Marin Laak from Estonia, will present an overview of the author Nikolai Baturin, who has been making a mark in Estonian literature for more than thirty years. He made his debut with poetry, but has become better known with his novels like 'The Heart of the Bear' and 'Timid Nikas, the Comber of Lions' Manes'. His unique work is a powerful combination of fantasy, a rare sense of language and has a certain epic quality. It is somewhat ironic that an author with a Russian name has written novels with arguably the richest language in Estonian prose. Explore his award winning novel 'The Centaur' with the help of Dr Laak, illustrated visually and verbally by readings by actors and other booklovers, some translated into English, and participate in the following discussion yourself!

7.00pm	Dinner Dance - 'We'll meet again'	Estonian House		\$40.50	\$45
			10yrs+	(\$18 <12yrs)	(\$20 <12yrs)

Come and enjoy a delicious buffet dinner at the first social event of the program. The Dinner Dance, 'We'll Meet Again', welcomes friends old and new to the festival. Enjoy a delicious smorgasbord while you relax listening to the tunes of one of Estonia's pop artists, Eda-Ines Etti (INES), her band and guest singer Indrek Raadik. INES has participated and won at numerous Estonian Music Awards and Eurovision song contests. Her hit titles include 'Once in a Lifetime', 'Here for Your Love', '15 nights sleeping' and 'Herself'. Why not try our imported Estonian beverages including Saku (beer), Kiss Cider and Viru Valge (vodka) and be entertained by surprises brought to you by Vikerkaar, Adelaide's own folk dancing group. Certainly a night not to be missed!

Tuesda	y 28 <sup>th</sup> December	Early Bird	After 1 <sup>st</sup> Nov
9.00am	Folk Dance Rehearsals	Estonian House Participants only	Participants only
10am- 4pm	Arts & Crafts Exhibition	Greenhill Gallery FREE	FREE



= Great for kids. 🐨 = Great for non-Estonian speakers. 👼 = Estonian language only.



11.00am	Reunion of the ex-Scout Master's Association in Australia	Estonian House	Participants only	Participants only
12.00pm	Sports Challenge - Volleyball/Basketball	Blackfriars	\$4.50	\$5
		College	participants	participants
			only	only

Come and join in an exciting afternoon of basketball and volleyball at Blackfriars College, a 5 minute drive from Eesti Maja - Estonian House. Games will be suitable for all ages and all levels. Indulge in one of the biggest traditions of Eesti Päevad - Estonian Festival and show your competitive spirit as we watch our more advanced athletes compete against each other whilst the more 'athletically challenged' have a laugh in the social competition. There will also be a basketball match for the juniors. Please register your interest early, and start your training soon! Register by 10th December: Raoul Tuul - 0431 266 833, tuul.rk@qmail.com. See separate flyer for more details – www.eesti.org.au/festival/program.

2.00pm	R.A.A.A.M Theatre's performance of 'Meri ja	Estonian House	\$22.50	\$25
	Orav'		(\$13.50	(\$15
			<12yrs)	<12yrs)

Estonia's R.A.A.A.M. theatre present 'Meri ja Orav', a satirical comedy performed by the cream of Estonian comic actors Egon Nuter and Andrus Vaarik. The pair have performed this play almost 100 times, toured America and featured on Estonian National TV. This very funny story is about elderly Ivan Orav and Meri (parody of late president Meri) who try to wrestle a heavy writing desk from the attic to the living room. Since this physical effort obviously is beyond them, they instead decide to fill their time with a snack, some drinks and very witty conversation. The author's fictional character Orav is a great Estonian patriot claiming to be the best friend of our first president Konstantin Päts. Egon has perfected the role of Meri to the extent that the late president himself was extremely impressed with his portrayal. The sheer brilliance of this play would appeal even to an audience with limited knowledge of the Estonian language.

6.00pm	Café style concert with Estonian Operetta duo	Estonian House	ar.	\$22.50	\$25
	Annika and Silver Lumi			(\$13.50	(\$15
				<12yrs)	<12yrs)

The café style concert is presented by talented Estonian operetta duo Annika (nee Põder) and Silver Lumi, who together have performed in many musical events in Estonia, Finland and America. Both talented young singers come with very high credentials, having studied at the Estonian Academy of Music and the Finnish Sibelius Academy. They have starred in numerous Estonian National Opera productions such as Rigoletto, Don Carlos and The Wedding of Figaro. For our concert they will draw on that experience and present a delightful range of pieces from operas and operettas, to songs from well-known musicals, films and Estonian music. An event that should not be missed! A light meal will be available to purchase.

Wedne	sday 29 <sup>th</sup> December		Early Bird	After 1 <sup>st</sup> Nov
6.30am	Golf tournament	North Adelaide Golf Course	\$30 South Course	\$30 South Course

Join in this early morning golf challenge at Adelaide's most prestigious public golf course. Play for a day or play for two - there will be a winner each day and an overall winner for the tournament. We will also be running a longest-drive and several nearest-to-pin events. Whether you're a 'pro' or a 'social' golfer, this event is a great way to meet others and show off your golfing talent! Register by 30 November: Alex Martinson (08) 8269 4631, 0400 293 580 or maray035@students.unisa.edu.au. See separate flyer for more details - www.eesti.org.au/festival/program.

9.00am	Choir Rehearsals	Estonian House	Participants only	Participants only
10am- 4pm	Arts & Crafts Exhibition	Greenhill Gallery	FREE	FREE
4.00pm	Folk Dancing Spectacular - Dancing Through the Generations	Estonian House	\$18 (\$9 <12yrs)	\$20 (\$10 <12yrs)

Never before has the Estonian community in Australia seen such a wide array of generations still dancing the









traditional Estonian way. It is now time to celebrate this with a tribute to 'Dancing Through The Generations'. This uplifting cultural event of the Adelaide festival will see the Veteran folk dancers combine their talents with the Baby Boomers, Generation X, Generation Y and even Generation Z folk dancers from around the country. The once in a lifetime opportunity to see such a variety of dances performed is as always sure to draw a crowd and be one of the most popular events of the program. We look forward to seeing you at the Estonian folk dancing event - suitable for every generation!

## 6.30pm Esto Pub Night & BBQ

Estonian House

FREE

FREE

Following on from the energetic display of folk dancing this is your opportunity to attend one of the highly successful Adelaide-based Esto Pub Nights. See and experience what has now become an Adelaide institution. Watch the hall transform into 'Kalev on Jeffcott' a popular meeting place for friends and family where you can sample our variety of imported beer, wine and spirits at affordable prices. Drop in for 10 minutes or stay for a meal, just sit back and see what surprises the evening will bring! Suitable for all ages.

Thursd	Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> December			Early	After 1 <sup>st</sup>
				Bird	Nov
6.30am	Golf tournament	North Adelaide Golf Course		\$25 North Course	\$25 North Course
9.00am	Choir Rehearsals (and morning tea for choir members only)	Estonian House		Participants only	Participants only
10am- 4pm	Arts & Crafts Exhibition	Greenhill Gallery		FREE	FREE
2.00pm	Estonian Cultural Concert – Combined choirs and soloists	Estonian House		\$18 (\$9 <12yrs)	\$20 (\$10 <12yrs)

The main Concert has always been the traditional cornerstone of Estonian Festivals in Australia. Although the interest in choirs has slowly diminished over the years, we are encouraged by the recent interest from a new group of younger singers, especially in Adelaide. This year the Concert will provide you with an uplifting experience featuring a combined choir, Sydney's 'Lõke' ensemble, our visiting artists from Estonia and solo performers. You will hear a cheerful mix of traditional and modern Estonian classics.

'A Taste of Estonia' featuring Estonian culture Estonian House

FREE FREE

This is a great event to get to know more about your roots and the links between Estonia and Australia. It will focus on food as well as Estonians in Australia. With the ongoing resurgence in people's interest in food, where does Estonian cuisine fit in? Follow the history of Estonian cooking, focusing on recipes from Sovietera cookbooks and household guides, as well as recipes collected right here in Australia. This first presentation will look at what has influenced Estonian cuisine and how it has evolved.

This evening will also include a presentation by Maie Barrow, from the Estonian Archives in Australia, on the amazingly interesting history of Estonians in Australia. She will present the five phases of migration from the very first arrivals in the 1600s, to current migrants. Each phase will be brought to life with some real-life examples. A small spread of typical Estonian food will be available for purchase. For catering purposes, bookings are essential.

Friday	31 <sup>st</sup> December			Early Bird	After 1 <sup>st</sup> Nov
9.00am	AGM of Council of Estonian Societies in Australia	Estonian House		Participants only	Participants only
10.00am	Children's Party	tbc	0-12vrs	FREE	FREE

A morning session filled with fun for the youngsters, this event is for families with children aged 0-12 years. With the backdrop of one of Adelaide's leafy suburbs and only a short drive from the CBD, bring the kids to join in with some energetic games and activities structured and supervised for children of all ages. Don't forget your bathers as there will be plenty of free time to enjoy in the pool and/or tennis court. A BBO lunch will be available for purchase at the end of the event.



10.00am Esto Go-karts tbc tbc tbc 10yrs+

We would like to invite you to the third national Estokarts as part of the 23<sup>rd</sup> Australian Estonian Festival. If you have been to one of these events in the past and enjoy high octane Estonian choruses, this is the event for you! Eastern Creek (NSW) and AceKarts (VIC) have been previous venues but we would like to introduce you to a 'Petrol Head State' called South Australia. The previous podium princes may be here to defend their crowns. This is a chance for anyone including the ladies to make an impact! A relaxing lunch will be available after the event. Register your interest on the ticket order form. More details will be available closer to the event.

3.00pm	Church Service	St. Stephen's Lutheran Church	FREE	FREE
8.00pm	New Year's Eve Dinner Dance	Estonian House	\$54 (\$18 <12yrs)	\$60 (\$20 <12yrs)

Celebrate the new year and a new decade in true Estonian fashion! Dance the night away to the talents of Estonia's singers INES, her band and Indrek Raadik. Try some of our imported Estonian beverages including Saku, Kiss Cider and Viru Valge. Enjoy a delicious smorgasbord that will be sure to satisfy anyone's hunger. And for those too weary at the end of the evening, our central location at *Eesti Maja – Estonian House* with secure car parking, makes it only a short taxi ride home!

## Please note for all events at *Eesti Maja – Estonian House*:

- The bar will be open during and between each event and every night until late.
- Simple meals and snacks will be available to purchase at selected times between main events.

## **Festival Gold Pass**

Are you attending all or most events? Buy a Festival Gold Pass! It's all six main events in one ticket which saves you at least \$15! See it as an easy way to buy your tickets, or if you won't attend all events, it's a kind donation towards the success of the Eesti Päevad - Estonian Festival.

GOLD PASS for the whole Festival – 6 events in 1 ticket!				Early Bird	After 1 <sup>st</sup> Nov
Monday 7.00pm	Dinner Dance - `We'll meet again'	Estonian House	(10yrs+)	\$160 (\$175.50 for separate tickets)	\$175 (\$195 for separate tickets)
Tuesday 2.00pm	R.A.A.A.M Theatre's performance of 'Meri ja Orav'	Estonian House			
Tuesday 6.00pm	Café style concert with Estonian Operetta duo Annika (soprano) and Silver Lumi (baritone)	Estonian House	AK.		
Wednes day 4.00pm	Folk Dancing Spectacular	Estonian House			
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