

Events in Tartu from December 1 to February 28

Winter in Tartu 2006/2007



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October 23 – January 31

The 120th anniversary of the birth of Oskar Luts

Oskar Luts House Museum

www.linnamuuseum.tartu.ee

On January 7 the writers' 120th anniversary of the birth is celebrated with a series of events: new exposition at Oskar Luts House Museum in Tartu, quiz and gathering of writers who have received Oskar Luts humour award, Estonian Literary Museum organises a presentation day, Tartu Public Library organises a writing contest for pupils.

December 1

**Tartu University Anniversary Ball
Vanemuine Concert Hall
tyye.ee/ball**

At the ball students, alumni and professors meet to celebrate with our alma mater with dignity. This year the Estonian professional theatre celebrates its 100th anniversary, therefore we have changed our academic world a bit more theatrical...

December 1 – 21

Excitement with Elves

Estonian Sports Museum

www.spordimuuseum.ee

Interesting Christmas-time activities in the medieval basement rooms of the museum. Sportive activities last about one and a half hours for children 4-12 years. Registration is necessary.

December 1 – February 28

Club Genialistid winter

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www.genklubi.ee

Club Genialistid is founded by the band "Genialistid" and it is kind of a social house at Lutsu Theatre House. Series like "Choice of Academics" and "From the Pillows" continue. Concerts, plays, exhibitions, seminars, film nights, discos, children activities are organised... Whatever the mood is!



Events

December 3

Advent night at Karlova
Tartu Salem Church
salem.ee

Advent night enables the opportunity for one part of the town folk to gather after lighting the advent candle in front of Town Hall and enjoy the holiday spirit, music and snacks.

December 3–24

City of Christmas in Tartu
Town Hall Square
www.tartu.ee/rahvakultuur

Traditional series of Christmas events like concerts and other activities at Town Hall square and Town Hall, St. John's Church, Antonius Guild courtyard, museums, library and department store. On advent days at 16.00 hours the town leaders light the advent candles at Town Hall Square and people can



sing winter songs with the help of Tartu choirs. Advent concerts are held at St. John's Church and Town Hall. Christmas peace is declared on December 24, at 12.00 hours at Town hall Square. On December 16, there is a Christmas fair on Town hall Square. Antonius Guild courtyard Christmas marked on 14–17 December

December 4–8
Week of Finnish food
Cafe Shakespeare
www.shakespeare.ee

Celebrating anniversary of the Republic of Finland (6.12) with serving Finnish food for lunch.

December 6
Anniversary of the Republic of Finland
Tartu Town Hall
www.finst.ee

A speech by the chairperson of the Estonian delegation Nordic Council of Ministers, students of the Finnish school and university in Tartu perform.



December 8, 14, 15
Christmas Game
Estonian National Museum
www.erm.ee

Creative game with songs and stories: joint straw games, casting spells and magic activities, cleaning the house and so on. Many traditional Estonian folk customs are observed. Registration is necessary.

December 9
Waiting for Christmas
Tiigi Club House
www.tartu.ee/rahvakultuur

A cosy day for the whole family where our ancestor's way of life and traditions are introduced by Tartu and Tartu County children groups.

December 10
Family Day "Christmas-waiting Chamber"
Estonian National Museum
www.erm.ee

Moment from the past: Christmas customs are introduced, old folk Christmas songs are sang, various traditional games are played. Christmas songs in runic verse are sang, different games and activities.

December 10
Present for the Christmas child
Tartu Salem Church
www.salem.ee

Early music and candle-light Christian night of meditation, taking the time in the name of the Christmas child.

December 19
Meeting Meeri Säre, a long-time theatre artist
Tartu City Museum
kultuuriaken.tartu.ee

Meeting Meeri Säre, an exhibition of her works is also displayed.

December 19
Story telling at Christmas
Tartu Toy Museum
www.mm.ee

Story-telling seminar for grown-ups: how to make Christmas peaceful and memorable for life; what to feed the soul.

December 28
Goodbye 2006
Vanemuine Theatre
www.vanemuine.ee

Joyful New Year's party, where the audience has a chance to watch operetta "The Bat" and later on enjoy the party.

December 30
End of the year ball of Vanemuine
Big House of Vanemuine Theatre and Concert Hall
www.vanemuine.ee

A spectacular New Year's party to enjoy performances of Vanemuine artists and dance oneself to the year 2007.



January 9
Opening new permanent exhibition at O. Luts House Museum
Oskar Luts House Museum
www.tartu.ee/linnamuuseum

In the honour of the writer's 120th anniversary of the birth a new exhibition called "The Writer Oskar Luts: on the Border of Life and Imagination" will be opened.



January 15 – February 15
Month of Art
www.tartu.ee/kunstikuu

Month of art is an art project including all Tartu where visual arts and other cultural aspects (literature, dance fashion, theatre, and music) are included. Program includes: exhibitions, concerts, lectures, meetings with artists, seminars, etc. There is also an opportunity to participate on a contest building ice sculpture copies of different edifices as well as painting replicas in art classes.

January 20 –21
IV Wool Days
Tiigi Club House
kultuuriaken.tartu.ee

Exhibition of woollen clothing and workshops for handicraft lovers.

February 6
Chinese Year of the Pig is Coming
Estonian Agricultural Museum
www.epm.ee

Animal psychologist talks about the behaviour and intelligence of a pig. Also an exhibition of pig's eating plates and opportunities preparing the food.

February 13
Meeting Aili Paju
Vanemuine Society
kultuuriaken.tartu.ee

Aili Paju remembers Betti Alver.

February 15, 19, 20
Mardi Gras/ Shrove Tuesday game
Estonian National Museum
www.erm.ee

A creative program introducing Shrove Tuesday customs. Registration is necessary.

February 16 – 17
Education fair "Intellektika"
www.tartunaitused.ee

February 20
Shrove Tuesday
Estonian National Museum
www.epm.ee

Mardi Gras, traditional folk games and activities.

February 24
89th Anniversary of the Republic of Estonia
Tiigi Club House
kultuuriaken.tartu.ee

Festive concert and speeches.

February 24
Celebrations of the 89th Anniversary of the Republic of Estonia
In front of Tartu Old Observatory
www.tartu.ee/rahvakultuur

Speeches, choir singing, and brass orchestra music.



Midday music minutes
Tartu St. John's Church
kultuuriaken.tartu.ee
Midday music minutes every Tuesday and Friday at 12.15.

December 2
Max Bruch, oratorio "Moses"
Vanemuine Concert Hall
www.concert.ee

ERSO, Ellerhein, RAM and soloists, conductor Paul Mägi.

December 3
Concert of the ensemble "Klökk"
Tartu Town Hall
www.tartu.ee/rahvakultuur

Concert of well-known vocal ensemble who present an eventful choice of songs. The ensemble dates back to 1996 when three girls at the age of 10–11 started singing together at Rapla singing studio.

December 3
Peculiarities of Christmas Bang
Tartu St. John's Church
www.PoTartu.ee

Tartu and Pärnu Youth Brass Orchestras are performing, conductors Margus Kasemaa and Rein Vendla.

December 3
The most beautiful Christmas songs from Finland and Estonia
Tartu St Paul's Church
kultuuriaken.tartu.ee

Celebrating the 1st Advent and the upcoming anniversary of the Republic of Finland (December 6) with joint-singing the most beautiful Christmas songs in Finnish and Estonian.

December 3–17
Festival of Christmas music
Tartu
www.tmk.ee

H. Eller Tartu Music School organises a music festival of student concerts where different student groups and ensembles make music and perform creation of loved composers.

Concerts



December 6**Jukka Savijoki (Finland)**

Tartu City Museum

www.forestmusic.ee

On programme: Weiss, Castelnuovo-Tedesco, Ponce, Turina. Jukka Savijoki is a famous introducer and performer of contemporary music, and also one of the most influential guitar players in Finland.

December 7**Beautiful Christmas songs**

EELK St. Mary's Parish of Tartu

www.eelk.ee/tartu.maarja

On St Nicholas Day everyone has a chance to sing Christmas songs, accompanied by a string quartet and organist Elke Unt, the parish chamber choir Soli Deo Gloria also participates.

December 7**On the Other Side of Water**

EELK Tartu St. Peter's Church

www.kontsert.ee

Tajo Kadajas and Jassi Zahharov. The best songs from Urmas Alender repertoire will sound.

December 7**Pepe Justicia Flamenco group (Spain), soloist Nina Corti**

Vanemuine Concert Hall

www.concert.ee**December 8****Vox Clamantis 10**

Tartu St. John's Church

www.concert.ee

Weekend Guitar Trio, Andres Mustonen and Hortus Musicus, Voces Musicales.

December 8**Student concert "We Wish You a Merry Christmas!"**

Tartu Salem Church

kultuuriaken.tartu.ee

Music students from Tartu University Teachers' Seminar sing and play.

December 8**Children's Christmas play: Music Studio kids of Children TV**

Vanemuine Concert Hall

www.concert.ee

Musical fairytale presented by the music studio kids.

December 9**Tallinn University of Technology chamber choir 40: jubilee concert**

Tartu University Festive Hall

kammerkoor.ttu.ee

Presentation of the new CD coming out in December "Life Under the Northern Skies"

December 10**Tartu I Music School symphony orchestra concert**

Tartu St. John's Church

www.tartu.ee/rahvakultuur

Concert of an unique Tartu youth group, conducted by Kaido Otsing, also soloists performing. Orchestra consists solely of teachers and students of the school.

December 10**Concert of early music ensemble of Kiili School of Arts**

Tartu Town Hall

www.tartu.ee/rahvakultuur

Harju county young musicians' concert "Music for Christmas and workdays" concentrates on medieval and renaissance

songs and tunes. Block flutes, flutes, violins, cellos, rhythm instruments are used. Soloist Maria Staak, a famous early music singer.

December 12**Christmas Jazz 2006: "Holy Night"**

Tartu St. John's Church

www.jazzkaar.ee

Rinneradio (Finland), special guest Iro Haarla (harp). Ensemble who is known for mixing jazz with electronic beat has changed its repertoire and plays a selection of deep Nordic Christmas melodies. On programme: well-known Christmas songs, in addition some of Tapani Rinne's own creation.

December 13**Bonzo and Tõun, cello quartet C-Jam: "In my Dreams I am Free"**

Vanemuine Concert Hall

www.concert.ee

Bonzo (Andrus Albrecht) and Tõun (Tõnu Timm) have reached a certain originality searching through jazz standards, Russian romances and the creation of Tom Waits.

December 14**Isabelle Vernet (vocal), Olivier Vernet (organ)**

Vanemuine Concert Hall

www.concert.ee**December 15****Christmas concerts by Academic Female Choir of Tartu University and Academic Male Choir of Tartu**

Tartu University Festive Hall

www.tam.eu**December 16****Christmas Jazz 2006: "Time to be Holy"**

Tartu Salem Church

www.jazzkaar.ee

Australian pianist Henri Peipman trio with soloist Rebecca Kontus perform famous clerical music interpretations and original pieces.

December 16**Christmas concert of Tartu Brass Studio**

Tartu University History Museum

www.PoTartu.ee**December 17****ETV Girls' Choir Concert**

Tartu St. John's Church

www.tartu.ee/rahvakultuur

ETV girls' choir directed by Aarne Saluveer is a famous and recognised choir in Estonia as well as abroad. Girls at the age 15-21 sing in the choir, repertoire contains classical and contemporary choral music.

December 17**Christmas concert by Arsis Tartu Ensemble**

Tartu Town Hall

www.tartu.ee/rahvakultuur

Unique concert ensemble with an interesting repertoire what has developed a lot. The sound of handbells touches everyone's soul and creates Christmas spirit.

December 17
Alumnae Choir of the Academic Choir of Tartu University and Tartu Male Choir of Estonian Society of Male Choirs Advent concert
Tartu St. John's Church
kultuuriaken.tartu.ee

December 1
Christmas concert by Emajõe Laulik singers
Tartu Salem Church
www.laulikud.ee

December 17
Christmas concert by Tartu University chamber choir
St. Paul's Parish of Tartu
www.ut.ee/TYKK

20. detsember
Christmas concert with liturgical service
Tartu St. Peter's Church
www.zone.ee/tartuknk

Christmas concert with service of Christian Tartu youth-home. Also performing Anu Taul and Triinu Taul, singing choir and folk music en-

semble, youth-home choir and folk ensemble "Sireli"

December 21
Bach, Christmas oratorio
Vanemuine Concert Hall
www.concert.ee

Baroque concert "Tallinn Baroque", Estonian Philharmonic Chamber Choir and soloists, conductor Andris Veismanis (Latvia).

December 21
Concert "New and Old Christmas Songs"
Tartu St. John's Church
www.filharmonia.ee

Performing: Mari Listra, Mikk Dede, ETV girls' choir, Tallinn Music High-school children's choir and Tallinn Chamber Orchestra, conductor Lauri Sirp.

December 21
Christmas concert by Noorkuu and Uno Loop
Tartu St. Peter's Church
www.noorkuu.ee

December 22
Christmas songs by the Estonian National Male Choir
Tartu St. John's Church
www.concert.ee

December 23
Camille Saint-Saens "Christmas oratorio"
Tartu St. John's Church
www.tartu.ee/rahvakultuur

The programme includes music by oratorio choir, chamber orchestra and soloists. Choir consists of Tartu Youth Choir and MHG Mixed Choir singers. At the beginning of the concert Christmas songs and classical choral music can be heard.

December 25
Christmas concert by Arsis
Vanemuine Concert Hall
www.arsis.ee

Notes of Christmas music and Peeter Vähi "New Years Cantata for Handbells and Boys Choir". Boys choir of "Estonia" National Opera also participating.

December 26
G. F. Händel, oratorio "Messiah"
Tartu St. John's Church
www.ut.ee/TYKK

Chamber choir of Tartu University, mixed choir "Noorus" and Tallinn Baroque Orchestra, Soloists: Hele-Mall Leego (soprano), Risto Joost (countertenor), Mati Turi (tenor), Uku Joller (bass), conductor Raul Talmar.

December 27
French court music
Tartu City Museum
www.concert.ee

Kädy Plaas (soprano), Tõnu Jõesaar (viola da gamba), Reet Sukk (baroque flute), Imbi Tarum (harpsichord).

December 28
Holiday music: Tõnis Mägi and Maarja-Liis Ilus
Vanemuine Concert Hall
www.concert.ee

Accompanying the Pärnu city orchestra, conductor Tarmo Leinatamm.

December 28
Church festivities in Maarjamaa
Tartu St. John's Church
kultuuriaken.tartu.ee

Brilliant festive music under church arches, the best young soloists, chamber choir Voces Musicales, baroque orchestra with instruments appropriate to the time. Conductor and countertenor Risto Joost.

December 30
Estonia Concerts and Hennessy New Years concert
Vanemuine Concert Hall
www.concert.ee

Program: Mozart, "Clarinet Concerto in A major"; Haydn, symphony "Farewell". Performing Tallinn Chamber Orchestra, conductor and clarinet soloist Toomas Vavilov.

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M-Pact (vocal ensemble, USA)
Vanemuine Concert Hall
www.concert.ee

M-Pact hypnotises the audience with virtuoso vocal technique, extraordi-

nary voice and exciting tunes. Program includes pop music, jazz, Christmas songs, evergreen songs with a taste of freedom on the stage.

January 11
Vocal ensemble Lyra (Russia)
Tartu St. John's Church
www.concert.ee

Singers are students or alumni of St. Petersburg Conservatoire. Repertoire includes Russia clerical music starting from old orthodox songs to less known Russian composers from the 18 – 20 century.

January 16
Voice of Future Museum VII
Estonian National Museum
www.erm.ee

"Voice of Future Museum" is a series of charity concerts which is dedicated to the new museum building. The concerts are free of charge, performers and audience can save their names by donations that support fulfilling the dreams of children belonging to risk groups.

January 17
Concert by the string quartet Janacek

Vanemuine Concert Hall
www.concert.ee

Janáček Quartet was founded on 1947 by Brno Conservatoire students whose perfect performance of Janáček works granted the right to use the name of the famous Brno composer.

January 21
Musical concert "Memory"

Vanemuine Concert Hall
www.vanemuine.ee
At concert hits from loved musicals can be heard. Main soloist is the Broadway star Tony Vincent, also singing Siiri Sisask, Gerli Padar, Janika Sillamaa, Hannes Kaljujärvi, Koit Toome, Lauri Liiv.

January 26
A Le Coq presents: children's concert "Limpa"

Vanemuine Concert Hall
www.concert.ee

Concert-theatrical performance directed by Andres Dvinjaninov is based on A. Kivirähk book "Limpa and Pirates" in cooperation with Estonian National Symphonic Orchestra. A funny story about the adventures of Limpa with his friends Limmo and Limma.

January 28
In need of a Muse!

Tartu City Museum
www.concert.ee
Mati Turi (tenor), Martti Raide (piano)
Mati Turi is one of the most valued tenors in Estonia who has also achieved international recognition.

January 30
Cyprien Katsaris (piano, Cyprus/ France)

Vanemuine Concert Hall
www.concert.ee
Program: Leopold Mozart, Franz Xaver Mozart, Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, Robert Schumann, Franz Liszt, Frédéric Chopin and Johann Sebastian Bach. French-Cyprus pian-

ist performs with the world's leading orchestras.

February 1
Opening concert of Baroque Music Festival

Vanemuine Concert Hall
www.concert.ee
ERSO, Estonian Philharmonic Chamber Choir, soloists, conductor Andres Mustonen.
Program: Bach. Mass F major. Charpentier, Te Deum.

February 1-4
Festival of Youth Choirs

Tartu University Festive Hall, Salem Church, Vanemuine Concert Hall
www.segakoordeliit.ee
February 2
Candlemas concert
Estonian National Museum
www.erm.ee

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February 5-15
Chamber music festival "Festari"

Different concert places in Tartu
www.tmk.ee
Joint projects of Estonian, Latvian and Finnish music schools. First festival was held in Finland (2005), second in Latvia (2006) and this year Festari takes place in Tartu. Young interpreters from different groups with different programs of the three partner schools perform.

February 7-14
French Week of Festivities

Different concert places in Tartu
www.tmk.ee
H. Eller Tartu Music School's traditional music festival where young talented interpreters perform, this time performers from Latvian, Finnish and French partner schools also participate. A lot of beautiful French music can be heard at the festival.

February 9
Vocal ensemble "The Clerks' Group" (Great Britain)

Vanemuine Concert Hall
www.concert.ee
Program: British Golden Age in music (Byrd, Tallis), popular street songs and court arias.

February 9-10
Baroque Music Festival

www.concert.ee
February 10
Sufi music ensemble (Uzbekistan)

Vanemuine Concert Hall
www.concert.ee
Respective approach to ancient music traditions and original interpretations are characteristic of the ensemble, whereas many Uzbekistan musicians follow the trends of modern music.

February 15
David Grimal (violin, France), Peep Lassmann (piano)

Tartu University Festive Hall
www.concert.ee
Program: sonatas from the best violin music. David Grimal, one of the most demanded violinists in the world, is a frequent stage partner of British, Stockholm, Bavarian, Moscow chamber orchestras, symphonic orchestra of Berlin, etc.

February 16
Voice of Future Museum VIII

Estonian National Museum
www.erm.ee
February 18
Male choir "Huutajat" (Finland)

Vanemuine Concert Hall
www.concert.ee
Concert is full of sharp contrasts characterised by accurate articulation mixed with non-linguistic sounds, in addition funny and unexpectedly seriously performed drifts.

Theatrical Performances



December 1, 5, 6, 8, 9, 12, 13, 15, 16, 19, 20, 21, 22
Children's play "Snow Queen"
Big House of Vanemuine Theatre
www.vanemuine.ee

On the basis of the world famous fairy-tale by H. Ch. Andersen with the same name, music by Olav Ehala. Director: Andres Dvinjaninov (Estonian Puppet Theatre).

December 1 (for the last time)
Musical "Blood Brothers"
Big House of Vanemuine Theatre
www.vanemuine.ee

This London hit musical tells a story of twins who are separated after birth and live in different families – rich and poor – but who nevertheless become friends. Director: Tiit Ojasoo

**December 2; January 19;
February 10**
Opera "The Magic Flute"
Big House of Vanemuine Theatre
www.vanemuine.ee

The plot of Mozart's opera is based on the fight between two worlds – one is that of the threatening and cruel Queen of the Night and the other of the sunny humanist, wise priest Sarastro. Director: Arila Siegert (Germany)

**December 3, 20; January 12;
February 6**
Drama play "Honey Man"
Small House of Vanemuine Theatre
www.vanemuine.ee

"In conclusion – what did Vanemuine do. Took a play written totally for a commercial comedy and used the human dimension that was accidentally left in the original work, added artistic value and succeeded. Believe me; this is going to be a hit. And not proper for an industrial town but appropriate for an educational town." (Andres Keil, Postimees)



**December 5, 19;
January 18, 31; February 11, 13**
Comedy "Sextet à la carte"
Small House of Vanemuine Theatre
www.vanemuine.ee

Play starts out as a farce but grows into a melodramatic comedy of absurd – as marriages tend to do. Director: Jüri Lumiste.

**December 5, 20; January 18;
February 4, 16**
Contemporary play "Nixon"
Big House of Vanemuine Theatre
www.vanemuine.ee

"All that you have to do in this country is to tell the truth to people and not to hide anything from them." (Richard Nixon, 1952). Choreographic-political tragedy. Director: Liina Unt.



December 6
Drama "Adolf"
Püssirohukelder (Gun Powder Cellar)
www.vanemuine.ee

Pip Utton's (dramaturg and actor) provocative solo-play gained popularity a few years ago as the biggest hits of Edinburgh theatre festival. Director: Ervin Õunapuu, actor: Indrek Taalmaa.

**December 6; January 5, 25;
February 9, 15**
Comedy "Libertine"
Small House of Vanemuine Theatre
www.vanemuine.ee

Sexual freedom, flirt, passion and marriage trouble receive a new meaning when Diderot has to write an article for the new encyclopaedia about morality. Director: Madis Kalmet.

December 6, 7, 13, 14, 17
Ballet "Nutcracker"
Big House of Vanemuine Theatre
www.vanemuine.ee

The classic ballet with magnificent and spectacular decorations and delightful music is back in the repertoire of Vanemuine Theatre. Choreographer-director: Pär Isberg (Sweden).

**December 7; January 11, 26;
February 3, 21**
Comedy "Theatre Paradise"
Big House of Vanemuine Theatre
www.vanemuine.ee

This is an imaginative and spectacular fantasy about the 100-year history of professional Estonian theatre. The setting is a theatre paradise among clouds where main characters Kaarel and Ants, legendary comedian Paul, famous theatre professor Volli, and well-known actresses Erna and Liina act. Director: Ain Mäeots.



December 7, 15
Drama "Stars in the Morning Sky"
 Harbour Theatre
www.vanemuine.ee

In a faraway village in a shaggy barrack human destiny opens and crosses, conflicts meet and different attitudes bounce back. Women with bad faith struggle to change their lives. Director: Eva Klemets (Tallinn City Theatre)

December 8, 22;
January 16, 27; February 13
Operetta "The Bat"
 Big House of Vanemuine Theatre
www.vanemuine.ee

"The Bat" premiered in Vienna in 1874. With its positive attitude to life, its melodies and joyfulness this operetta is already stepping into its

third century of stage life. Director and artist: Mare Tommingas.

December 8 (premiere),
12, 19, 22; January 10, 16, 20;
February 1, 6
Drama "Elling"
 Tartu German Cultural Institute
www.vanemuine.ee

A comical and warm story of two men, who after spending years in a nursing home are starting their everyday life among normal people. At first it seems scary because none of them have had to organise their life before. Director: Ain Mäeots.

December 8, 9
Science fictional horror story
"Frankenstein"
 Old Anatomical Theatre of Tartu University
www.suveteater.ee

An extreme theatrical performance where borders are crossed. This is a game between life and death. Director: Andres Dvinjaninov.

December 9; January 17, 30;
February 17, 22
Drama "Empty Beach"
 Harbour Theatre
www.vanemuine.ee

Classical love triangle – man, his wife and her lover – go for a trip on a mysterious island. Mati Unt's short story "Empty Beach" (1972) is one of his most outstanding works from the first creation period and leading works of Estonian modernism. Dramatist and director: Ingomar Vihmar.

December 9;
February 15, 22
Musical "Chess"
 Big House of Vanemuine Theatre
www.vanemuine.ee

During writing the musical the main emphasis was on Cold War, now the director has concentrated more on love. "Chess" is a dance around love, at the same time dance in front of TV and cameras. Director: Georg Malvius (Sweden).



December 10 (for the last time)
Drama "Salem's Witches"
 Harbour Theatre
www.vanemuine.ee

"Salem's Witches" is one of the most powerful plays of the 20th century. The play is based on a true story which happened in Massachusetts, in Salem in the end of the 17th century. Director: Ain Mäeots.

December 14 (for the last time)
Opera "Marriage Demand"
 Small House of Vanemuine Theatre
www.vanemuine.ee

Comical opera was premiered in Florence in 1810. The music of Rossini is fresh and melodic, full of grace and sparkly humour. Director: Taisto Noor.



December 14; January 9, 25;
February 9
Drama "One Hundred Years of Solitude"
 Big House of Vanemuine Theatre
www.vanemuine.ee

No doubt a gorgeous move – only some directors have tried to open the magical realism of Márquez in theatre. The novel which brought the author world fame tells us a story of a family through seven generations. Director: Hendrik Toompere Jr.

December 15; January 12, 20
Ballet "Peer Gynt"
 Big House of Vanemuine Theatre
www.vanemuine.ee

Henrik Ibsen's dramatic story confronts the public with the question: what makes people always want



more than they need for happiness? Choreographer-director: Mare Tommingas.

December 16, 21;
January 13, 24; February 7, 28
Drama "Everything in the Garden"
 Big House of Vanemuine Theatre
www.vanemuine.ee

American famous playwright Edward Albee's "Everything in the Garden" (1967) is still popular in the world theatres. A story of ingenious housewives and their clever solutions of how to pay burdening bills for a life in a fancy neighbourhood. Director: Roman Baskin.



**January 19 (premiere), 20, 2;
February 1, 14, 23**

Comedy "Beautiful Bodies"
Small House of Vanemuine Theatre
www.vanemuine.ee

Women in early middle age who have not or could not commit themselves with anyone, or have kids. But their biological clock is ticking mercilessly and there is no return. Metropolitan tension and lots more comes out at an emotional afternoon. Director: Jüri Lumiste.

**January 21, 28;
February 11, 20**
**Children's play
"Lotte's Trip to the South"**
Big House of Vanemuine Theatre
www.vanemuine.ee

Based on a film with a same name by Heiki Ernits and Janno Põldma. A friendly and affectionate dog, Lotte, goes on a journey to the south together with her father Oskar, an inventor, and Klaus the wanderer in order to help Pipo the chick who



could not keep up with the other birds. Director: Janek Joost.

January 31; February 8, 21
Children's play "Big, Scary Wolf"
Small House of Vanemuine Theatre
www.vanemuine.ee



The best Finnish play in 2003 combines well-known stories and myths, emphasising friendship and caring, school violence. The best children's play at the Estonian Theatre Festival "Draamake 2006". Director: Taago Tubin.

February 2 (premiere), 8, 25

Ballet "Giselle"
Big House of Vanemuine Theatre
www.vanemuine.ee

Adolphe Adam's ballet is a story of unanswered love, madness, death and revenge. Due to diversity of dance performances and dramatic nuances this is the most challenging ballets to soloists as well as to corde-ballet. Director: Stanislav Fečo (Czech Republic).

February 16 (premiere), 18, 23

Drama "Leapers"
Big House of Vanemuine Theatre
www.vanemuine.ee

In the home of an ethics professor and his music star wife moral and religious questions are taken under discussion. Space ship returning from the Moon, inspector Kont and eight leapers get in action. Director: Mart Koldits.

February 20

Opera "La Traviata"
Small House of Vanemuine Theatre
www.vanemuine.ee

The opera's main themes are the two sides of love – earthly and heavenly, love and death, sin and mercy. "La Traviata" is one of the best and most realistic works of Verdi. Director: Taisto Noor.



**January 6, 14, 23;
February 2, 10, 27**

Drama "The End of Potter"
Harbour Theatre
www.vanemuine.ee

Mystic-realistic chamber drama (1971) by Vaino Vahing, which script was missing for over thirty years. Director and artist: Mati Unt.

January 17, 23
Opera "Madame Butterfly"
Small House of Vanemuine Theatre
www.vanemuine.ee

An opera by Puccini premiered in La Scala Opera Theatre in 1904. It is one of the most popular operas in the world where beautiful arias of love, defeat, pain and hope. Director: Guntis Gailitis (National Opera of Latvia)

Exhibitions

May 18, 2005 – May 1, 2007
Overview exhibition: "Stories of Art in Tartu"

Tartu Art Museum
www.tartmus.ee

Exhibition views the development of art in Tartu through artists, who studied, taught or worked here during the period of more than one and a half centuries. Emphasis lies on painting but sculpture and graphics is also represented. The purpose was to find similarities in the development of art and to create discussions within and above the borders time, and to find intriguing controversies.

June 21 – December 31
Sedes Domesticae Bibliothecae Universitatis Tartuensis. Tartu University Library homes
Tartu University Library
www.utlib.ee

University architects J.W. Krause, baron Engelhardt and Nuks' sketches of the library building, their correspondence and photos of Toome building reconstruction and planning the new one.

October 4 – December 10
Basketball exhibition "Star Games"
Estonian Sports Museum
www.spordimuuseum.ee

Basketball is the most popular sports in Estonia with a rich history, active present and hopefully achievement orientated future.

October 4 – December 3
Children's Work and Pleasure. Toy manufacturing in USSR
Tartu Toy Museum
www.mm.ee

Toys manufactured by Norma, Salvo, Polümeer, etc evoke nostalgic memories in parents today to share with their kids.

October 7 – December 31
200 Years of the Old Anatomical Theatre
kultuuriaken.tartu.ee

Exhibition of Tartu University History Museum introduces the anatomical theatre building, and the most famous researchers who taught, worked and studied there.

October 25 – December 2
Exhibition of sketches "Dear Friends"
Tartu Public Library
www.luts.ee

Culture figures through the eyes of Heinz Valk: sketches from 1982–1993. A selection of works from the collection of the Estonian Theatre and Music Museum is available.

November 13 – December 13
Sixties of Tegova
Tartu Children's Art School Gallery
www.lkk.tartu.ee

Personal exposition of Enn Tegova dedicated to his jubilee.

November 15 – January 21
Gobelin exposition "Picture on Fabric"
Estonian National Museum
www.erm.ee

A joint exposition of Aet Ollisaar (Estonia) and Aino Kajaniemi (Finland). Small pieces of Kajaniemi represent traditional gobelin of present day, Ollisaar on the other hand makes

big colourful tapestry which are improvisational. They both use gobelin technique in lighting to create good atmosphere in rooms.

November 15 – January 21
Christmas cards of Finnish artists
Estonian Postal Museum
www.post.ee

A visiting exposition of Finnish Postal Museum. Sending postcards is very popular in Finland.

November 20 – January 5
Christmas peace at Christmas city
Tartu Department of Finnish Institute
www.finst.ee

Photo exhibition of freelance photographer Tertti Pietilä of Turku which has been an official Christmas city for the last decade in Finland. Photos in mild colours show the city in Christmas spirit.

November 24 – January 14
Paintings of Jaan Punga
Tartu Art Museum
www.tartmus.ee

November 25 – January 21
Estonian Sports Veteran Association 40
Estonian Sports Museum
www.spordimuuseum.ee

Overview of the sports veteran association activities.



December 1 – February 25
White Blouse and Black Blouse
Estonian National Museum
www.erm.ee

Exhibition introduces women clothing fashion at the beginning of 20th century when the changes in fashion were influenced by the spreading of fashion magazines in Estonian. Abundantly decorated blouses were made following the examples in "Käsitööleht".

December 4 – December 15

Exhibition of Nature House student works

Tartu Environmental Education Centre
www.teec.ee

December 6 - January 12

Great elf exhibition

Tartu Toy Museum
www.mm.ee

Home-made elves are more than welcome to participate on the exposition. Elves can be big and small, boys and girls, home-made and from stores... A small surprise awaits every participant.

December 13 – January 14

End of the Year exhibition of Tartu artists

Tartu Art House
www.kunstimaja.ee

December 18 – January 16

Photo exhibition of Aare Puus "Sundial"

Tartu Children's Art School
www.lkk.tartu.ee

December 19 – February 28

Bloodless Hunt

Tartu Environmental Education Centre
www.teec.ee

January 5 – February 10

Look at Luts!

Tartu Public Library
www.luts.ee

Exhibition celebrating 120th anniversary of the birth of Oskar Luts which introduces the writer's works in theatre and film, and also illustrations from his books.

January 15 – February 15

Sportive artworks from the Sports Museum art collection

Estonian Sports Museum
www.sportimuuseum.ee

January 18 – February 11

Estonian Watercolorists Association exhibition of the year

Tartu Art House
www.kunstimaja.ee

January 18 – January 31

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Tartu Children's Art School Gallery
www.lkk.tartu.ee

February 1–28

Estonian peasantry in Baltic German art

Estonian National Museum
www.erm.ee

Exhibition of Art Month gives an overview of peasants in the art of Baltic Germans.

February 2

Ehlvest Night

Start at the Tartu Children's Art School Gallery
www.lkk.tartu.ee

February 5–18

Taavi Piibemann author's exhibition "Used Literature"

Tartu Children's Art School Gallery
www.lkk.tartu.ee

December 2

Tartu University Championships in basketball

Tartu University Sports Hall
www.tysk.ee

December 2

Estonian Dancesport Championships Tartu Cup Open

A. Le Coq Sports Hall
www.dcstiil.ee



Estonian dancesport top couples as well as competitors from Latvia, Lithuania, Russia, Finland and Poland participate. International assembly of judges rates the couples.

December 3

Estonian D-league cup in dancesport and 9th competition of dance tournament series "Sweet Start of Kalev Chocolate"

A. Le Coq Sports Hall
www.dcstiil.ee

Future hopes of Estonian dancesport determine the best couples.

December 3

SEB Ühispank basketball league: TÜ/Rock-BC – Tartu Fausto

Tartu University Sports Hall
www.tysk.ee/rock

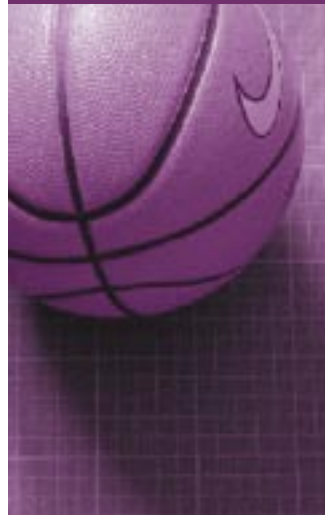
December 8–9

Estonian future hopes cup, III stage

Slaavi Gymnasium, Aura Centre
kultuuriaken.tartu.ee

Competitions in eventing (swimming and running), triathlon (swimming, running, shooting), quadrathlon (swimming, running, shooting and epee fencing) and pentathlon (swimming, running, shooting, epee fencing and riding).

Sports Events



December 9
Tartu city championships in rowing on ergometers

Tartu
www.saktartu.ee

Competition "Concept 2" on ergometers. 4-member teams row 500m and individually 1000m. FOTO!

December 9
Badminton competition "Feathers in Pairs"



Tartu University Sports Hall
www.tysk.ee

December 9
Dancing tournament 2006
Tartu University Sports Hall
www.sinilind.ee

National ballroom dance lovers' tournament: competition in 8 different

dances and in 6 age groups. In addition, slow foxtrot tournament.

December 12
Christmas performance by the gymnastics' club "Rütmika"
Vanemuine Concert Hall
www.hot.ee/rytmika

All Age groups perform: beginners (4-year olds), children groups, professionals, elite, men and ladies.

December 12
SEB Ühispank basketball league: TÜ/Rock – KK Pärnu
Tartu University Sports Hall
www.tysk.ee/rock

December 14
FIBA EuroCup Challenge: TÜ/Rock – UMFN Njardvik
Tartu university Sports Hall
www.tysk.ee/rock

December 16–17
Gymnastics' club "Janika" Christmas tournament
Turu Street Sports Building
www.vkjanika.ee

Participants are from all over Estonia.

On the first day gymnastics' groups and mini class individual competitors participate, on the second day group gymnasts with their program.

December 17, January 28, February 25
Aura open track swimming competition on Olerex prizes
Aura Centre
www.aurakeskus.ee

From September to May, every month there will be swimming competitions for the whole family. The best get rewarded by Olerex.

December 18
Gymnastics' club "Janika" 15th anniversary show "Era of Centuries"
Vanemuine Theatre
www.vkjanika.ee

Around 600 gymnasts from Club Janika will perform. In the beginning of the show mostly younger members perform, in the second part Janika Mölder will perform with the best mini class gymnast, her daughter Carmel Kallemaa. In addition, one of

the top athletic gymnasts Ott Kiivikas, group gymnastics champion Olga Gribinets, singing basketball player Rauno Pehka, etc.

December 19
SEB Ühispank basketball league: TÜ/Rock – BC Kalev/Cramo
Tartu University Sports Hall
www.tysk.ee/rock

December 30
Epee fencing tournament "Happy New Year"
Slaavi Gymnasium
kultuuriaken.tartu.ee

A friendly meeting between fencing enthusiasts.

January 10
Tartu winter skiing, I stage
www.suusaklubi.ee

Skiers tournament: everyone who likes skiing is more than welcome.

January 13–14
Grand Prix in badminton for adults
Tartu University Sports Hall
www.tysk.ee

January 14
Estonian championships in group gymnastics
A. Le Coq Sports Hall
www.vkjanika.ee

January 14
Estonian championships in cross-country skiing, II stage
Tartu Festival Arena
www.suusaklubi.ee

Competing over the title of the Estonian champion of classic cross-country sprint.

January 24
Tartu winter skiing, II stage
Tartu Festival Arena
www.suusaklubi.ee

January 25
VII Erna and Herbert Abel Memorial in cross-country skiing
Kääriku Sports Base (Valgamaa)
www.eestikalev.ee

The competition takes place on the stadium lighted ski tracks which is the most common place for ski trainers to start teaching their students.

The competition is held in classic skiing technique. The purpose of the organisers is to raise skiing popularity among sportsmen, enthusiasts and youngsters.

January 28
International karate tournament Falco Cup and Tartu open championships in karate
Sports Building of th Estonian University of Life Sciences
www.karateklubi.ee

An opportunity to cheer for the best Estonian karate sportsmen.

February 3–4
Estonian championships in badminton
Tartu University Sports Hall
www.tysk.ee

February 7
Tartu championships in cross-country skiing, Tartu winter of skiing, III stage
Tartu Festival Arena
www.suusaklubi.ee

February 10–12
13th international gymnastics tournament

“Miss Valentine 2007”

A. Le Coq Sports Hall
www.vkjanika.ee



Competition for gymnasts and group gymnasts: youngsters, juniors and master class gymnasts.

February 11
37th Tartu Marathon open track
Otepää-Arula-Palu-Elva
www.tartumaraton.ee

Tracks: 63 km, 31 km and 16 km
(6th women race: Palu-Elva).

February 11
Water festival “AquaFest”

Aura Centre
www.easl.ee

Grand water sports day that promotes healthy lifestyle: water-aerobics, swimming and water-ball enthusiasts are welcome whatever their age, gender or level of skills.

February 17–18
Grand Prixin badminton for youngsters

Tartu University Sports Hall
www.tysk.ee

February 18
37th Tartu Marathon
Otepää-Matu-Ande-Kuutse-Peebu-Palu-Hellenurme-Elva
www.tartumaraton.ee

A winter ski adventure on the best ski tracks of the world. Tartu Marathon belongs to the Worldloppet Cup and EMT Estoloppet Cup, also to the FIS Marathon Cup. Suitable distances for every serious skiing enthusiast.

February 21
Tartu winter of skiing, IV stage

Tartu Festival Arena
www.suusaklubi.ee

February 28
Tartu skiing sprint 2007

Tartu Festival Arena
www.suusaklubi.ee

Skiing sprint for all enthusiasts, at the same time results the Tartu champion in sprint. In addition, a special competition class for enthusiasts. Registration is necessary.



December 2
National finale of young singers “Christmas Star 2006”

Tartu St John’s Church
www.laulustuudio.ee

The singing contest is being held for the 5th time and in five different age groups. Only songs related to Christmas and winter can compete.

December 3
Book elves at Public Library
Tartu Public Library
www.luts.ee

Handy elves teach children how to make Christmas decorations, library Christmas tree will be decorated together. Puppet theatre will perform a show.

December 10 and 17
Theatre puppets at Tartu Public Library

Tartu Public Library
www.luts.ee

Theatre elves from schools perform two acts from a Christmas play. There will be competition of adorned Christmas poems and making a book. Singers perform.

December 13 – January 16
Exhibition of drawings of the competition between schools
Estonian National Museum
www.erm.ee

The best drawings are presented from the national drawing competition (on December 13) between schools.

Children and Youth Information





December 13–22
Christmas Room
Tartu Toy Museum
www.mm.ee

Cosy Christmas chamber with handwork and other Christmas-related doings I set up for the whole family.

December 14
Conference: "How to be Child and Youth Friendly"
Tartu University Library
www.noortekenen.ee

In 2004 Tartu joined children and youth friendly city movement. The presentations speak about the meaning of this movement through various fields of life, share good experiences and plan future visions. We expect to see service developers, specialists, youth leaders and all others who want to speak up and think along. The conference is organised by the Tartu City Government Youth Policy Service.

December 18–19
Fairytales Chamber "Stories for Christmas"
Tartu Toy Museum
www.mm.ee

Christmas is the best time to tell stories. The gates of the sky are open and everything is possible. People are also more open... Registration is necessary.

December 28
Marzipan Day
Tartu Toy Museum
www.mm.ee

At handicraft class all sweet teeth have the possibility to make and decorate their own marzipan toys. Registration is necessary.

January 2–5
Nature House school break activities
Tartu Environmental Education Centre
www.teec.ee

January 3–6
School break full of art
Tartu Lille House
www.lille.tartu.ee

Fun and educative activities at Lille House: visiting art exhibitions, studying different art styles and how to distinguish original paintings from fake ones. Supervisors from Tartu Art School teach children painting, drawing and clay technique.

January 11
Oskar Luts day at Tartu Public Library
Tartu Public Library
www.luts.ee

Summary from the competition of pupils' works in the honour of Oskar Luts birthday, followed by a presentation of the characters in "Spring". Tartu Ema-jõe School and Tartu Tamme Gymnasium theatres perform fragments from "Spring".



January 26
Poetry hour
Tiigi Club House
kultuuriaken.tartu.ee

Meeting the writer Paul-Erik Rummo and interpreting his poetry. Tartu Miina Härma Gymnasium theatre group pupils and Tartu School People Theatre Society read poetry.



February 3 – 4
School Dance Festival
Small House of Vanemuine Theatre
www.koolitants.ee

Festival "School Dance" is the biggest and most popular event for dance loving school kids. All groups, no matter what style of dance they practise or on what level they are, are welcome to participate.

February 5
Fairy-family Kingdom of Snow
Lille House
www.hot.ee/haldjapere

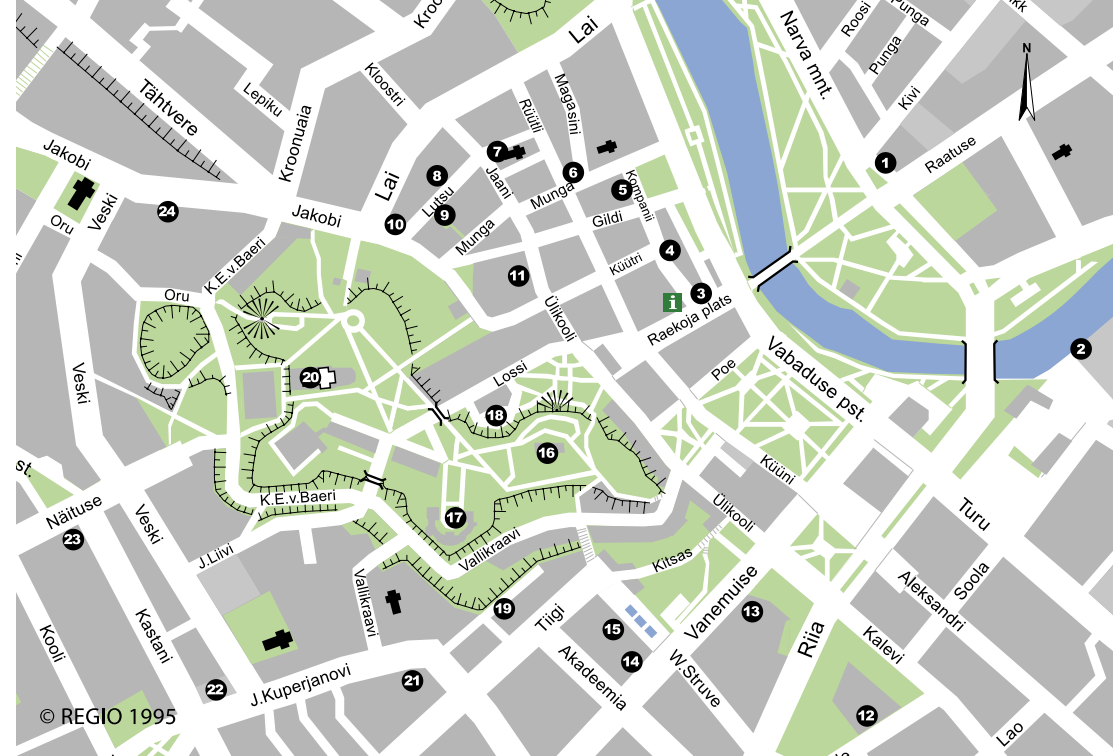
The fairy-family makes a real kingdom of snow inside where children up to 3 years can play in the snow created by paper wolf. We make snowballs, snowmen, snowflakes and winter pictures for windows. Registration is necessary.

February 9
Open hour for painting
Lille House
www.lille.tartu.ee

Art teacher Kiira Kahro teaches painting technique.

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