The European Biennal of Contemporary Art

28 June — 31 October, 2014 St. Petersburg, Russia The State Hermitage Museum

Group and travel information St. Petersburg. The State Hermitage Museum, Winter Palace

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Introduction: MANIFESTA 10

Manifesta was conceived in the early 1990s as a nomadic, European biennial of contemporary art, responding to the new social, cultural and political reality that emerged in the aftermath of the Cold War. Formed from the desire to explore the psychological and geographical territory of Europe and provide a dynamic platform for cultural exchange throughout the region, it takes place every two years in a different European city.

Over the course of its nine Biennials and twenty years, over a million people have visited Manifesta's events. It has successfully presented artists, curators, young professionals, and trainees from as many as forty different countries, and in each edition continues to innovate and reimagine contemporary art practices.

The tenth edition will be hosted by the State Hermitage Museum in St. Petersburg, Russia and will run from June 28 until October 31, 2014. This year marks the 20th anniversary of Manifesta. In its jubilee edition, Manifesta will reevaluate the past twenty-five years of changing realities, experiences, and transformations brought about by the shifting world order. The State Hermitage Museum in St. Petersburg was selected by the Board of the Manifesta Foundation to host Manifesta 10 because of its critical, intellectual and historical relationship with East and West Europe: a principle at the core of Manifesta's own beginnings. Founded in 1764 by Catherine the Great as her personal art collection, the Hermitage Museum has been open to the public since 1852, and in 2014 celebrates 250 years of existence. The recently renovated General Staff Building, the new premises for modern and contemporary art at the State Hermitage Museum, will be fully open this year, acting as the main stage for Manifesta 10.







































































Group visits

We would be delighted to welcome your group to St. Petersburg. We have a range of offers for groups visiting Manifesta 10. These offers include travel packages, recommendations for accommodation, assistance with travel arrangements, opportunities to take tours of the exhibition accompanied by our mediators in the General Staff Building, advance knowledge of key public programs, suggestions for day trips to historic sites and other suggestions of cultural highlights for your itinerary. Our Audience Development team would be pleased to provide you with further information and to propose itineraries to assist you in your planning.

Preparations are also underway for the opening events including the Professional Preview that will take place on 27 June 2014. St. Petersburg in high summer is a magical place — with its world famous White Nights and glorious architecture. We do hope you will take this opportunity to visit one of the world's leading museums and experience what is set to be Europe's major contemporary art event for 2014.

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For more information, queries and to make bookings please contact:

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Guided tours

28 June — 31 October, 2014 General Staff Building.

Groups visiting Manifesta 10 are encouraged to signup for a personal introductory tour of the exhibition with a Manifesta 10 Mediator.

Manifesta 10 Mediators will create a space for exchange and dialogue in the context of the exhibition, initiating conversations within the State Hermitage Museum that will continue outside in the city of St. Petersburg.

Our tours are available daily in Russian and English from 10:30 until 16:00, and on Wednesdays until 19:00. Guided tours are designed for groups between 10–25 people per guide.

Please note, group bookings must be made a minimum of 10 days in advance. Guided tours will be hosted throughout the biennial in the General Staff Building.

Please note on Mondays the State Hermitage Museum is closed.

To book your guided tour please complete the online booking form: <u>http://manifesta10.org/booking</u>

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Schools & university program

We offer a customized program of talks, guided tours, and workshops for schools and universities. A fully equipped Education Space is ready to receive your group. Trained and enthusiastic Mediators will engage with your school or university students to generate discussions in front of the artworks that promote creative questioning.

Manifesta 10 is available to make presentations to schools in St. Petersburg.





For more information and questions please contact the Manifesta 10 Education team: T: +7 812 416 12 72 (Monday to Friday from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00) E: engage@manifesta.org

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Travel packages*

We have devised a range of travel packages for your group, including a jam-packed four-day visit that combines a visit to the various sites of Manifesta 10 along with guided tours of the State Hermitage Museum's extraordinary collection. Consider supplementing your visit with a "Classical" St. Petersburg tour of significant historical sites in the city, or an alternative itinerary providing an insight into contemporary St. Petersburg.

Day 1:

A day-long focus on Manifesta 10 in the General Staff Building and Winter Palace.

Day 2:

Peterhof: Upper and Lower Gardens, Palace complex.

Day 3:

See below for the various options

Option 1: Classical St. Petersburg

- St. Isaac's Cathedral, Peter and Paul's Fortress
- River and canal boat trip

Option 2: Classical and Contemporary St. Petersburg

- St. Isaac's Cathedral, Peter and Paul's Fortress
- Tour of Manifesta 10 Parallel Events Option 3: Contemporary St. Petersburg
- City tour of Manifesta 10 Parallel Events
- $\boldsymbol{\cdot}$ Visit to creative spaces Taiga and Etagi

*Guide and lunch are included. These packages are subject to changes.

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Manifesta 10 on board: from a to b and back again

Tuesday 7 October to Saturday 11 October 2014

Reaching beyond the borders of St. Petersburg, Manifesta 10 On Board: From A to B and back again is a program generated in collaboration with a group of cultural institutions in the Nordic and Baltic regions. This "floating seminar" points literally to the fluidity of borderlines and provides a concentrated space for dialogue and exchange between art professionals and art students. The program begins on board the St. Peter Line ferry in Helsinki and is followed by a program of events within the main venues of the Biennial at the State Hermitage Museum and at various cultural organizations across St. Petersburg.

In Partnership with: Frame Visual Art Finland, Center for Contemporary Arts Estonia and the Office for Contemporary Art Norway. Supported by Nordic Culture Fund, Audiences Norway and the St. Peter Line.

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Practical information

Applying for a visa

A visa is required for foreign visitors entering Russia. A tourist visa provides the best option for visits to Russia of up to one month. An invitation is required before applying for a Russian visa, and can be ordered online at TravelRussia <u>http://travelrussia.su/en/</u>. Alternatively, book your hotel in St. Petersburg in advance and use the invitation provided by your hotel. Once your original invitation, or copy of your invitation (depending on the specific requirements of your consulate) is received, you will be able to apply for a visa at your nearest Russian consulate.

The consulate may request the following documents:

- Health Insurance
- Tourist invitation
- Passport (identity document) valid for at least six months after the date of entry into Russia for business visas, and three months for tourist visas
- Completed application form from the consulate
- $\boldsymbol{\cdot}$ Passport photo

Please check the specific requirements with the consulate at which you intend to apply for a visa, to ensure that you have all the necessary documents. Requirements may vary depending on location.

Practical information

Getting to St. Petersburg

by plane

Pulkovo Airport is the international airport serving St. Petersburg, located in the south of the city, approximately 15 km from the city center. The city can be reached by taxi, or city and shuttle buses. Тел.: +7 812 337 38 22 Тел.: +7 812 704 34 44 http://www.pulkovoairport.ru/en/

You will receive an immigration card on arrival to St. Petersburg, please keep this safe throughout your stay, as you will need to hand it in on your departure from the city. When leaving St. Petersburg, it is recommended that passengers arrive early to the airport.

by train

The main St. Petersburg train stations listed here can be reached from various locations in Russia and neighboring regions:

Ladozhsky station

Zanevsky pr. 73 Metro: Ladozhskaya T: +7 812 436 53 10 Trains to and from Murmansk, Vologda, Svetogorsk, Kostomuksha

Moskovsky station

Nevsky pr. 85 Metro: Pl. Vosstaniya T: +7 812 457 44 28 Trains to and from Moscow and locations south of Moscow

Vitebsky station

Zagorodny pr. 52 Metro: Pushkinskaya T: +7 812 457 59 39 Trains to and from Pushkin, Pavlovsk, Brest, Odessa, Smolensk, Kiev, Minsk, Prague, Warsaw, Tallinn, Riga, Berlin, Dnepropetrovsk, Budapest, Vilnius

Bookings can be made online via Russian Railways' official website <u>www.rzd.ru</u>

by coach

You can travel to St. Petersburg by coach from an increasing number of international destinations. Coach travel is popular between St. Petersburg and Helsinki, and St. Petersburg and the Baltic States. Located on the embankment of Obvodny Canal, St. Petersburg's Central Bus Station, is the terminal for most Russian intercity buses (including daily services from Moscow), as well as international services from Munich, Warsaw, Minsk, Helsinki, and the Baltics.

Bus stations

Nabreshnaya Obvodnogo Kanal 36 Metro: Obvodny Kanal T: +7 812 766 57 77 <u>www.avokzal.ru</u> Open 06:30–23:30 Tickets for domestic and international buses

Ecolines

Podyezdnoy Pereulok. 3 Metro: Pushkinskaya T: +7 812 325 21 52 <u>www.ecolines.ru</u> Open 07:00–22:00

Accommodation

Official Hotel partner of Manifesta 10

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Bolshaya Morskaya str. 39 Metro: Admiralteyskaya T: +7 812 494 57 57 www.thehotelastoria.com

Preferred hotels

Renaissance St. Petersburg Baltic Hotel Pochtamtskaya str. 4 Metro: Admiralteyskaya T: +7 812 380 40 00 www.marriott.com

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Courtyard by Marriott St. Petersburg Center West/Pushkin Hotel Griboedova Canal 166 Metro: Sennaya Ploschad, Tekhnologichesky Institute T: +7 812 610 50 00 www.courtyardstpetersburgpushkin.ru

Courtyard by Marriott Vasilievsky Hotel

2nd line of Vasilievsky island, 61/30A Metro: Sportivnaya, Vasileostrovskaya T: +7 812 380 40 11 www.courtyardvasilievsky.com

Ambassador

Rimskogo-Korsakova pr. 5-7 Metro: Sadovaya (Sennaya Ploschad') T: +7 812 331 88 44 www.ambassador-hotel.ru

Demetra Art Hotel

Vosstaniya str. 44 Metro: Chernyshevskaya T: +7 812 640 04 08 www.demetra-art-hotel.com

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Comfort Hotel Bolshaya Morskaya str. 25 Metro: Admiralteyskaya T: +7 812 314 65 23 www.comfort-hotel.ru

M-Hotel

Sadovaya, 22/2 Metro: Gostiny Dvor, Nevsky Prospekt T: +7 812 448 83 83 www.mhotelspb.ru

Hostels

Soul Kitchen Hostel

Moika embankment 62/2 apt. 9 Metro: Admiralteyskaya T: +7 965 816 34 70 www.soulkitchenhostel.com

Hostel in Touch

Gorokhovaya str. 41 Metro: Sennaya Ploschad T: +7 812 7027299 www.hostelintouch.com

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