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**9th
Latvian
Song
Festival
in Canada**

**June 29
to July 6, 1991
Toronto**

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Events

29 June

14:00	1	<i>Ecumenical Service</i>	Metropolitan United Church 51 Bond Street
17:00	2	<i>Opening Concert</i>	Metropolitan United Church 51 Bond Street
20:00	3	<i>Theatre "Rose"</i>	Hart House Theatre University of Toronto
21:00	4	<i>Rock Concert</i>	Music Gallery 1087 Queen Street West

30 June

10:00	5	<i>Folklore Festival</i>	5100 Appleby Line, Burlington
10:00	6	<i>"I Am A Latvian" Documentary Film</i>	Sheraton Centre Cinema 123 Queen Street W.
20:00	7	<i>Theatre "Rose"</i>	Hart House Theatre University of Toronto
20:00	8	<i>Open Air Dance</i>	5100 Appleby Line, Burlington

1 July

14:00	10	<i>Concert of Latvian School Pupils</i>	St. Andrew's Church 383 Jarvis Street
17:00	11	<i>Writers' Session "Bridge Across The World"</i>	Royal York - Canadian Room 100 Front Street W.
17:00	12	<i>Theatre "Rose"</i>	Hart House Theatre University of Toronto
19:00	13	<i>Andre El Leton /Guitar Concert</i>	Royal York - Concert Hall 100 Front Street W.
21:00	14	<i>"Tango" Dinner Cruise</i>	"Captain Matthew Flinders" Queens Quay W.

2 July

12:00	15	<i>Exhibition of Art</i>	Royal York - Ontario Room 100 Front Street W.
17:00	16	<i>Folkdance Ensemble "Laima"</i>	John W. H. Basset t Theatre Metro Toronto Convention Centre 255 Front Street West
20:00	17	<i>Theatre "The Avenging Woman"</i>	Berkeley Downstairs Theatre The Canadian Stage Company 26 Berkeley Street
20:00	18	<i>An Evening of Latvian Opera</i>	Northern Secondary School 851 Mt. Pleasant Ave.
21:00	19	<i>"Rock" Cruise</i>	"Captain Matthew Flinders" Queens Quay W.

3 July

12:00	20	<i>Art Exhibition</i>	Royal York - Confederation Room 100 Front Street West
12:30	20b	<i>Philatelic Exhibition</i>	Royal York - Territories Room 100 Front Street West
14:00	21	<i>Theatre "Catherine's Sins"</i>	Ryerson Theatre 43 Gerrard Street East
14:00	22	<i>Cabaret</i>	Royal York - Canadian Room 100 Front Street West
17:00	23	<i>Theatre "The Avenging Woman"</i>	Berkeley Downstairs Theatre The Canadian Stage Company 26 Berkeley Street
17:00	24	<i>Daugavina" and "Liesma" dance together</i>	John W. H. Basset t Theatre Metro Toronto Convention Centre 255 Front Street West

20:00 25 *Concert of Sacred Music*
22:00 26 *Cabaret*
Roy Thomson Hall 60 Simcoe Street
Royal York - Canadian Room
100 Front Street West

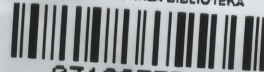
4 July

10:00 27 *"I Am A Latvian" Documentary*
14:00 28 *Latvia State Radio Choir*
17:00 29 *New Choreographies Competition*
17:00 30 *Theatre "The Avenging Woman"*
20:00 31 *Concert of Chamber Music*
20:00 32 *Theatre "Catherine's Sins"*
20:00 33 *Sorority Evening*
20:00 34 *Rock Dance*
Sheraton Centre Cinema 123 Queen Street W.
Roy Thomson Hall 60 Simcoe Street
John W. H. Bassett Theatre
Metro Toronto Convention Centre
255 Front Street West
Berkeley Downstairs Theatre
The Canadian Stage Company
26 Berkeley Street
MacMillan Concert Hall
Ryerson Theatre 43 Gerrard Street East
Royal York 100 Front Street West
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5 July

14:00 35 *Orchestral Concert*
17:00 36 *Theatre "Catherine's sins"*
20:00 37 *Theatre "The Avenging Woman"*
20:00 38 *Men's Choir Concert*
22:00 39 *Cabaret*
22:00 40 *Viennese Ball*
Roy Thomson Hall
Ryerson Theatre
43 Gerrard Street E
Berkeley Downstairs Theatre
The Canadian Stage Company
26 Berkeley Street
St. Paul's Anglican Church
227 Bloor Street East
Royal York 100 Front Street West
Royal York - Concert Hall
100 Front Street West

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6 July

16:00 41 *Concert of Festival Choirs*
20:00 42 *Theatre "The Avenging Woman"*
21:00 43 *Grand Ball*
Maple Leaf Gardens 60 Carlton Street
Berkeley Downstairs Theatre
26 Berkeley Street
Royal York - Convention Floor
100 Front Street West

7 July

9:30 44 *Celebration of Latvian Folk Ritual*
11:00 45 *Writers' Session "Bridge Across Generations"*
15:00 46 *Tautas deju lieluzvedums/Festival Folk Dance Spectacle*
20:00 47 *Theatre "The Avenging Woman"*
21:00 48 *Pēdējais dancis/Last Dance*
Royal York 100 Front Street West
Royal York 100 Front Street West
Maple Leaf Gardens 60 Carlton Street
Berkeley Downstairs Theatre
26 Berkeley Street
Royal York 100 Front Street West

The 9th Latvian Song Festival in Canada
Information is listed by Number referring to Performances

No. 1: Ecumenical service under the direction of Rev. Juris Calitis at Metropolitan United Church.

No. 2: Opening concert in the spirit of the Festival theme:
"I sing, I rejoice, So my Fatherland can hear."

Participating: I. Elerts, M. Martinsone, D. Karklina, V. Vitols, ensembles "Dzirksts" and "Straume", directed by S. Leja.

Introductory address of the Festival by Dr. Vaira Freiberga.

No. 3, 7, 12: The renowned **San Francisco Theatre Group** presents "Roze", a play by L. Stumbre about contemporary life in Latvia. Ilze Rudolfa of the Riga National Theatre stars in the title role. Director, Laimons Silins. Hart House Theatre, U of T.

No. 4: Opening ball - **Rock Concert**, featuring : Riga's hit group "Pērkons" and Toronto's "Electric Carrots". Music Gallery.

No. 5, 8: **Folklore Festival at Sidrabene.** A exciting day of folk art and traditions for the whole family, including special games and activities for children. Large and small folk groups from North America will join with their counterparts from Latvia to present a program of song, dance and music. Featured singers and dancers will include the folklore group "Savieši" from Riga and the dance company "Laima" from Daugavpils. The Festival also includes demonstrations of weaving, jewellery making, pottery, and other traditional handicrafts. Listen to music being created on Latvian traditional string instrument "kokle", see master dye-makers practice their art and observe the creation of traditional festival decorations. The spacious Sidrabene, located on Appleby Line in Burlington, includes a handicraft market for mementos and souvenirs. At the end of the day - stay to enjoy the **Grand open - air dance!**

No. 6, 27: "I am a Latvian" is an outstanding documentary by A. Epners and I. Ziedonis. The film presents Latvians from all over the world, depicted through interviews and glimpses of a broad spectrum of fascinating people. Many of the faces on the screen will also be in attendance at the festival. Sheraton Centre Theatre

No. 10: **Concert of Latvian School Pupils** will include folksongs and original pieces by both junior and senior students, accompanied by kokle and piano. The program will also feature selected solo performances. Direction under A. Liepina. St. Andrew's Church.

No. 11, 45: **The Writers' Sessions** during the Festival will bridge both time and space. Canadian Room, Royal York Hotel.

Monday, July 1, writers from Latvia, Europe, Australia, United States and Canada will join in a "**Bridge Across the World**" seminar.

Monday, July 7, the "**Bridge Across the Generations**" session will present writers who carry on the family literary tradition.

No. 13: **Guitar Concert** by Andre "El Leton" Karklins will present the many sides of this international talent. Part I features the classics, including "Concierto de Riga" I and IV, "Rundale Suite", "Soleare" and others. Part II is devoted to song and poetry in a joint performance with **Ieva Akuratere**. Concert Hall. R.Y. Hotel



No. 14: "Tango" Ball on board the "Captain Matthew Flinder" will give 500 Festival guests an unforgettable night of dinner and dance, swept away from city cares for four hours in the cool breezes and gentle waves of Lake Ontario.

No. 16: The Folk Ensemble "Laima" will perform a selection of colourful songs and dances from Latgale, a region of Latvia rich in its own unique cultural traditions. W. H. Bassett Theatre

No. 17, 23, 30, 37, 42, 47: "The Avenging Woman" by Aspasia, presented by Riga's independent theatre "Kabata" under the direction of Baņuta Rubess. This highly controversial play stars Ausma Kantane, Dina Kuple, Juris Strenga, Juris Bartkevics, Indra Burkovska, Niks Erglis, Ilze Blumberga and Ivars Sonins.

No. 18: An Evening of Latvian Opera, a selection of arias, ensemble, choral and ballet music from well known Latvian operas including "Baņuta" and "Salenieki" by A. Kalnins, "Uguns un Nakts" and "Dievi un Cilvēki" by Janis Medins, "Vaidelote" by Jazeps Medins, "Lolitas Brīnumputns" by Janis Kalnins, "Spēlēju, Dancoju" by Imants Kalnins, "Zelta Zirgs" by A. Zilinskis, and "Princese Gundega un Karālis Brusubārda" by A. Skulte. Performers include S. Raja, P. Bekolds, M. Fiacco, The Latvia Radio and Television Choir, New York Latvian Choir and Symphonic Orchestra conducted by A. Jansons. Northern SS.

No. 19: "Rock" Cruise aboard "Captain Matthew Flinders", a great night of dance and romance. Buffet dinner included.

No. 21, 32, 36: Gunars Verenieks directs "Catherine's Sins", a classic play by R. Blaumanis, presented by the Daugavas Vanagi Theatre of Canada. Riga's Daile Theatre stars Mirdza Martinsone and Ivars Elerts have joined the Toronto cast for these special performances. Ryerson Theatre.

No. 22, 26: "The Chicago Five" will appear at the Festival fresh from their extensive tour in Latvia. This highly original, popular group will present two cabaret performances of song and music, spiced with their lively comedy and wit. Reservations for ten per table. Canadian Room, R.Y.

No. 24: Toronto's "Daugaviņa" and Latvias "Sprigulītis" folk dance groups will join their efforts in showing choriographies created in their own dance groups here in Canada and in Riga. John W. H Bassett Theatre.

No. 25: Concert of Sacred Music at *Roy Thomson Hall*. will feature a 250 voice choir, and a symphony orchestra. Conductors will include Brigita Alka, Rudolfs Kalnmals, Arvids Purvs and Edgars Racevskis. The concert will feature several major works: "Kurzemes Kareivim" by Talivaldis Kenins "Dievs Ir Mūsu Patvērums" by Viktors Bastiks, "Pasaules Dārdos" by Arvids Purvs. Soloists will include mezzo soprano Laila Salina and bass Pauls Sketris. Organ compositions by A. Kalnins and T. Kenins will be performed by Anita Gaide.

No. 28: Concert by Latvian State Radio Choir at *Roy Thomson Hall*. conducted by Juris Klavins, one of Latvia's leading conductors. The program will include a broad repertoire of songs by composers living in Latvia and abroad, and will feature many songs never performed in North America.

No. 29: The New Choreography Competition promises to be an exiting event, with 25 new works by some 17 dance groups. In the programme there are 5 entries from Latvia. An unusual feature will be the "Audience Award", given to the dance group that would be voted most favourite by all the members of the audience. At John W. H. Bassett Theatre.

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No. 31: The Concert of Chamber Music will include many outstanding works by leading Latvian composers, performed by violinist **R. Lielmane, Pēteris Zarins** and the **Riga String Quartet**. Selections include "String Quartet in G, op.27" by Jazeps Vitols, "Impressions of Summer" by Peteris Vasks, "Trio for Violin, Viola and Piano" by Imants Mezaraups, "Arija" for violin and piano by Imants Ramins, "Di Gran Maniera" for solo violin by Gundars Pone, and the electro-acoustic composition "Dialogos" by Mara Zibens. **MacMillan Concert Hall.**

No. 35: Orchestral Concert featuring strings and percussion. Under the direction of conductor **Alfreds Strombergs**, the program will present renowned soloists mezzo soprano **Laila Salina** and pianist **Arturs Ozolins**. Major works include "Concerto for Piano with Strings Orchestra and Percussion" by Talivaldis Kenins, "Imaginary Places and People" by Peters Aldins and "Songs to the Wind and Blood" by Peter Plakids. Other works presented will be by J. Kalnins, and J. Medins. **Roy Thomson Hall.**

No. 38: Men's Choir Concert will feature an ensemble choir including choirs from Kalamazoo, Milwaukee, Toronto and other centres. **St. Paul's Anglican Church**

No. 39: Rock Cabaret with the group "Perkons" (Thunder), joined by **Ieva Akuratere**. Tables reserved for 10 persons.

No. 41: Concert of Festival Choirs at Maple Leaf Gardens will include 44 choirs from the U.S., Canada and Latvia, a total of **750 performers**. Conductors are Brigita Alka, E. Brusubardis III, A. Jansons (U.S.), J. Klavins (Latv), P. Kvelde (Latv), V. Maksina (Can), A. Purvs (Can) and E. Racevskis (Latv). In the program will be presented Latvian folk songs and original works, accompanied by a symphony orchestra.

No. 46: Festival Folk Dance Spectacle at Maple Leaf Gardens is the grand finale of the 9th Latvian Song Festival in Canada. Among the **800** outstanding dancers celebrating together there will be **Estonians, Lithuanians** and the **Latvians** from **US and Canada** and for the first time in North America "**Laima**", "**Liesma**" and "**Sprigulitis**" from Latvia!

"Let's all dance together in our father's homestead!"

ADVANCE TICKET SALES FOR:

MAPLE LEAF GARDENS & ROY THOMSON HALL

No.46 Festival Folk Dance Spectacle **MLG BOX OFFICE**

No.41 Concert of Festival Choirs **60 CARLTON St. W**

No.35 Orchestral Concert **RTH BOX OFFICE**

No.28 Latvian State Radio Choir **60 SIMCOE St.**

No.25 Concert of Sacred Music

FOR ALL THE OTHER EVENTS at:

Latvian Canadian Cultural Centre-4 Credit Union Drive, Toronto

June 24, 25, 26, 27 from 18:30 - 20:00

Royal York Hotel - Convention Floor - 100 Front Street W.

June 29 - July 7, 10:00 - 13:00 AND 15:00 - 18:00

FOLKLORE FESTIVAL at SIDRABENE-June 30, 10:00 - 18:00

5100 Appleby Line, Burlington