

KAUNAS NATIONAL CULTURE CENTER

CONFIRMED BY:

Director of Kaunas National Culture Centre

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## **XXXVIII INTERNATIONAL FOLKLORE FESTIVAL**

**“ATATARIA LAMZDŽIAI – 2024”**

### **REGULATIONS**



#### **I. GENERAL CONDITIONS**

1. The regulations for the XXXVIII international folklore festival “Atataria lamzdžiai – 2024” have been created to establish the purpose, objectives, time, and place of the Festival, the requirements for participants and their programs, to regulate the organizers and all participation and registration details.

2. The organizers of the festival are Kaunas City Municipality and Kaunas National Culture Centre.

3. XXXVIII international folklore festival “Atataria lamzdžiai – 2024” is a traditional folklore festival for amateurs, held annually during the months of May and June in Kaunas since 1984.

#### **II. THE PURPOSE AND OBJECTIVES OF THE FESTIVAL**

4. The purpose of the Festival is to promote the development of ethnic culture, which ensures the preservation and strengthening of national identity and self – awareness through songs, music and

dancing. To promote the activity of Lithuanian folk ensembles in order to improve the artistic level of folk groups and individual performers, to encourage people to participate in creative artistic activities. To incorporate modernized forms of folklore expression into the festival program in order to develop positive youth attitudes towards traditional Lithuanian and foreign folk music.

5. The objectives of “Atataria lamzdžiai – 2024”:

5.1. To organize cultural events for children, youth and adults with the aim of forming historical memory, nurturing patriotic feelings and national self-awareness, which reflected in sung folktale and contemporary songs of the nation.

5.2. To encourage the public to preserve their national heritage and pass it on to future generations, to exchange and share valuable information, as well as the diverse artistic experience of different regions.

5.3. To organize educational and practical activities, which will allow participants to familiarize with traditional contractual singing, playing string, bells and other traditional musical instruments, as well as an introduction to traditional folk art and trades.

5.4. To foster the spreading of Lithuanian ethnic culture in the world, using mass media, and to promote the awareness of other cultures of the world.

### **III. THE PLACE AND TIME**

6. XXXVIII International Folklore Festival “Atataria lamzdžiai – 2024” will be organized in June 6th-8th at Kaunas National Culture Centre (A. Jaksto str. 18, Kaunas, Lithuania) and other locations in Kaunas city as well.

### **IV. REGISTRATION DETAILS**

7. The folklore groups must register by <https://forms.gle/iNK736MWyJbDGKdK8> or email [egle.vindasiene@ktkc.lt](mailto:egle.vindasiene@ktkc.lt)

- 7.1. A photo of the group (or several photos, minimum size 3000x2000 pixels or 1MB),
8. The entry form should be sent to organizers till the 2nd of April 2024.
9. After getting the mentioned information from the group, the organizer confirms group's participation in the Festival by sending an e-mail with an official invitation.

## V. REQUIRMENTS FOR PARTICIPANTS

10. A participating group should be a maximum of 20 performers (including leaders, drivers, accompanying persons) except in the case of other agreements.
11. Delegates (members who have nothing to do with the performances of the group) are not accepted.
12. Groups may arrive a day before the Festival and leave the next day after the festival except in case of change of circumstances beyond the organizer's and participants' control, such as airplane flight timetables, etc.
13. The accommodation is near the concert places (the distance is no further than 3 km).

## VI. FESTIVAL FEE

14. **Participant fee – is a 30 € per person/per day**, to cover part of the expenses of accommodation, board, migration department fees (if needed) and other fees, transportation inside the country, cultural programs, accompanying person.
15. The costs of transport to Lithuania and back home, visas (if needed), insurance expenses are covered by the participants.
16. Participants from abroad can be tax-free from participation fees if they pay for their own meal, accommodation, transport inside the country, etc.
17. Festival fee must be transferred to the organizers account before the 24th of May

2024:

- 17.1. The organizer: Kaunas National Culture Centre

17.2. Account No. LT314010042500030391

17.3. SWIFT code: AGBLLT2X

17.4. Reason/purpose of payment: Festival fee for “group’s name”, country.

18. Festival organizers retain the right to change participant fees, due to the change of circumstances beyond the organizer’s control.

19. If the group does not arrive, the Festival fee will not be returned. It can be used to cover the losses of the participant's absence, for the Festival program realization or other institution activities.

## **VII. REQUIRMENTS FOR THE PROGRAMS**

20. The programs should consist of authentic and modern folkloric vocal and/or instrumental music, choreographic folklore. The participating groups are invited to prepare 3 – 4 pieces (it can be oral, sung, instrumental, choreographic folklore) that would reflect various ceremonies and customs of the culture.

21. The groups should prepare a program for an on stage performance (10-20 minutes) and a performance for the street and squares (30-40 minutes).

22. The groups with an instrumental and dance group should prepare a dance program for demonstration and training for the dance evening (20-30 minutes).

23. The group should perform with live music only (recommended).

24. Groups have a chance to have their own concert/musical night if they have arranged this with the organizer 2 months in advance.

25. Festival will take place in Kaunas: concert halls, town squares, other opened or closed areas.

26. Not all performances will be in the places with electricity available on the stages (there may be no amplifiers or microphones).

## **VIII. CONTACT INFORMATION**

27. All information about the festival is published on the Kaunas National Culture Centre’s website: [www.ktkc.lt](http://www.ktkc.lt), and on the organizer’s Facebook account [www.facebook.com/atatarialamzdziiai/](https://www.facebook.com/atatarialamzdziiai/)

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## **IX. FINAL PROVISIONS**

29. By participating in the festival, the group accepts these conditions of the Festival.

30. The participants of the Festival will be photographed and filmed. Photographs and video footage are considered the property of the Center and may be used for advertising purposes of the institution in accordance with Clause 2111.1 of the Center's Personal Data Processing Rules.

31. By attending the Festival, participants agree to the processing of their personal data (name, telephone number and email address). The information may be publicly available on the Internet, in the press, on television, on radio stations and other public information media, and the statistical data will be submitted to the Kaunas City Municipality and the Lithuanian Culture Council (after receiving funding).

32. A participant of the Festival has the right to: request access to his/her personal data processed, correct any incorrect, incomplete, or inaccurate personal data, demand to delete his/her personal data, restrict his / her personal data processing in cases provided by legal acts. The material can be stored for 2 years. from its publication.