

# THE VOX PACIS MINI FESTIVAL 2009

## PROGRAMME

**AUGUST 12th, Wednesday**  
*SOFIA PARISH APARTMENT*  
*BORGMÄSTARGATAN 11*

**2 pm**                    **CAFETERIA**, organized by Sofia Parish together with Vox Pacis.  
Ensemble Insula Magica, Novosibirsk, meets Indian tabla player  
Debasis Mukherjee

**AUGUST 13th, Thursday**  
**OPENING DAY OF THE VOX PACIS MINI FESTIVAL**  
*IN THE SOFIA CHURCH, STOCKHOLM*

**3 pm**                    **OPENING OF THE PHOTO EXHIBITION "PAX AUREA"**  
*VOX PACIS – PEOPLE FROM 15 CULTURES MEETING IN WORK AND JOY*  
**Photographer Ammi Schilling**  
**Artists performing songs in Jewish, Hindi and Swedish.**  
**Opening addresses: Gunilla Nordlund, Artist Director/ Vox Pacis,**  
**The Rev. Hans Ulfvebrand/Sofia Church, Annika Wirén/Diocese of**  
**Stockholm Centre for Inter Faith Dialogue**

**6.30 pm**                **AN INTER-RELIGIOUS PRAYER** led by The Rev. Anders  
**Hedman (Fryshuset Youth Center, Stockholm) together with**  
**representatives of the Jewish and the Muslim congregations in**  
**Stockholm.**  
**Musicians: Arne Johansson (organ), Insula Magica ensemble (see below)**  
**and Debasis Mukherjee Master of tabla/drums, India.**

**8 pm**                    **CONCERT.** Insula Magica, an ensemble from Novosibirsk,  
**Siberia/Russia, together with Virpi Pahkinen, solo dancer from Finland/**  
**Sweden.**

**AUGUST 15th, Saturday**  
*SOFIA CHURCH*

**3 pm**                    **CONCERT.** A Coptic choir from Stockholm together with members of  
**the Jewish ensemble Kvannanahe.**

**AUGUST 16th, Sunday**  
*HÖGALID CHURCH*

**11 am**                **MASS** with soloist singers Anna-Lena Engström ("Ave Maria" by  
**Verdi) and Gunnel Mauritzson, folksongs.**

**4 pm**                    **CONCERT.** Insula Magica - the Siberian ensemble together with the

**Indian tabla player Debasis Mukherjee followed by Hindu/Sanskrit hymns and dances from India performed by Veronica Tjerner and sung by soloists Chime Arkhang from Tibet and Shipra Nandy from India.**

**AUGUST 17th, Monday**  
*SOFIA CHURCH*

**5 pm**                    **MUSIC WORKSHOP.** A workshop led by Dafna Dori from Israel and with participants from the Vox Pacis ensemble.

**AUGUST 19th, Wednesday**  
*SOFIA PARISH APARTMENT*  
*BORGMÄSTARGATAN 11.*

**2 pm**                    **CAFETERIA,** organized by Sofia Parish together with Vox Pacis. The Israeli singer Dafna Dori will sing in Hebrew and in Arabic together with a Greek-Byzantine-Orthodox choir and Sami jojk singers Marie Kvernmo Valkeapää and Berit Alette Mienna.

**AUGUST 20th, Thursday**  
*SOFIA CHURCH*

**8 pm**                    **THE 2009 OPENING NIGHT OF THE VOX PACIS CANTATA**  
**"A CHALLENGE TO HUMANITY"**  
Choirs, soloists, dancers, musicians, actors – from 15 different countries/cultures representing also the great religions of the world.  
**Composer: Ylva Q. Arkvik**  
**Texts: Sigrid Kahle**  
**Director: Jonas Dominique**  
**Artistic/Stage Director: Gunilla Nordlund**  
**Orchestra: Swedish Wind Blowers, Stockholm**  
**Opening address: Olof Buckard, Artists for Peace**

*Ticket price: 100 SEK*

**AUGUST 21st, Friday**  
*SOFIA CHURCH*

**4 - 8 pm**                    **SEMINAR. "CAN CULTURE BUILD BRIDGES BETWEEN RELIGIONS/CULTURES AND SERVE AS AN INSTRUMENT IN A PEACE PROCESS?"**  
Speakers from all the great – and some small – religions of the world  
**Moderator: Gunilla Nordlund**  
**Host: Hans Ulfvebrand**

**Sami jojk by Marie Kvernmo Valkeapää and Berit Alette Mienna.**

**8 pm**                    **ROUNDING UP WITH A SMALL VOX PACIS CONCERT,**  
where you will find many of the artists and groups from the opening the  
night before,

*Price for seminar + concert: 60 SEK*

**AUGUST 22nd, Saturday**  
*SOFIA PARISH APARTMENT*  
*BONDEGATAN 66*

**1 pm**                    **LECTURE. "POLTAVA 200 YEARS"**  
Anna Nedospasova, Novosibirsk, will lecture on the Swedish musician  
Gustav Blidström, a prisoner-of-war after the battle of Poltava, who  
wrote music during his imprisonment in Siberia.

**3 pm**                    **CONCERT. "ECHOES FROM POLTAVA"**  
performed by the ensemble Insula Magica and the duo Laude Novella.

**8 pm**                    **CONCERT WITH THE GREEK-BYZANTINE-ORTHODOX**  
**CHOIR AND SOLOIST DAFNA DORI FROM ISRAEL**

**AUGUST 23rd, Sunday**  
*SOFIA CHURCH*

**4 pm**                    **LECTURE. "THE CULTURAL HERITAGE OF DALAI LAMA"**  
A comparison between Buddhism in Tibet and Christianity in Europe  
with a focus on the Buddhist and the Christian theatre and opera  
respectively.  
Lecturer Gunilla Nordlund with performing artist.

**6 pm**                    **TREQ-GNAWA, sufi ensemble from Marocco together El-Tanora**  
**dance by Haitham El-Shewihi from Egypt and dervisch-dance by**  
**Osama Elias from Sudan.**

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Tickets for the grand performance of Vox Pacis in Sofia Church on August 20th (100 SEK) and for the combined seminar and concert on August 21st (60 SEK) can be bought in advance via Sofia Parish, tel. +46 (0)8 555 913 00 (office hours)

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