***ASSOCIATION OF CULTURE AND ART “MODELS”***

***YOUTH CULTURE CENTAR “OHRID”***

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**INTERNATIONAL FOLK – DENCE**

**FESTIVALS, MACEDONIA 2016**

***MODELS and YKC Ohrid are non profit organization (NGO) situated in Ohrid city, Macedonia, which aim is connecting people through festivals of folk, dance and art from all over the world.***

***Mission of the festivals are to celebrate special events, to bring together different cultures from all over the world through music, dance and traditional national costumes of the nations***. ***Last year, on our festivals we had 75 groups from all over the world***

***The purpose of the festivals is presentation and affirmation of the Macedonian folklore, tradition, costumes and cultural heritage as well as presentation of the foreign folklore and culture in our country.***

***The participants will have the chance to meet new friends from different countries, enjoy the beauties of our amazing city, learn a lot about the folklore and tradition of other countries and celebrate life, friendship and love through music and various dances, exchange experience and information’s, getting new friendships, get to know new places.***

***Ohrid City is the perfect place where people from all around the world will gather together to present their folklore and show to the world what makes them special and unique. If you want to be part of this event, please fill in the application form for participation (below) and be our guests this year!***

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**INTERNATIONAL FOLK FESTIVAL**

**“ MUSIC,DANCE AND LAKE”**

**29 April - 03 May, Ohrid 2016**

**I N V I T A T I O N**

With pleasure **we INVITE you** (children, youth and adults groups) to participate on **V International folk – dance festival “MUSIC DANCE AND LAKE” 29 April - 03 May, Ohrid, 2016**

The **intention of our invitation** and the Festival light motive is to present the cultural tradition of different countries and to provide an opportunity for the members of groups to get together, to establish friendships and culture presentation trough dance and music.

**Ohrid City – a mixture of rich history and modern life......**

**The seven wonders of Ohrid**

Macedonia, deep in the heart of the Balkan Peninsula, is simply a small country with extraordinary beauty.

This ancient and biblical land is probably one of the last visited and least known countries in Europe, which in a way makes it even more mysterious and attractive .

Finally, this terra incognita is now ready to be discovered. And without any doubt, its most precious jewels, shining one next to the other, are the city of Ohrid and the lake Ohrid .

This is not just another story about some attractive tourist destination in Europe.

Unfortunately, not many people in Europian union are still aware about at least 7 remarkable universal achievements connected to the entire human civilization :

According to famous television game show “who wants to be a millionaire “{2007} ,Ohrid is declared as the oldest city in the world, with continuous civilization advancement! Indeed, according to many historians, Lychnidos-the city of light (the ancient name of Ohrid ) was build in the 4th century B.C, but humans have lived there for more then 8.000 years. There are for sure settlements on many other places around the globe, but somehow and sometimes they were turned into abandoned and lifeless ruins. Reasons were different: earthquakes, floods, volcano eruptions , diseases, wars....here in Ohrid, from its beginning until today, life still goes on without ending.

That is why is also called “the kingdom of archeologists”.

This small city seemed to be irresistible for great ancient rulers and kings, such as the legendary Phoenician prince Cadmus who build it, Fillip 2 of Macedon who once conquered and reconstructed it, Alexander the Great who enjoyed in it, Czar Samuel who ruled from it and many more.

However, Ohrid is the only place in the world where 2 recognized saints actually lived in the same time - St. Kliment of Ohrid (840-916) and St.Naum of Ohrid(830-910), putting an extremely strong stamp of their existence.

These 2 exceptional persons, the very best students of Cyril and Methodius, were in fact the most educated people in the world in their time. Among other achievements, they will always be remembered as establishers of the first University in Europe (893), located in Ohrid Old Town, long before the University in Bologna (1088)!

Besides that, St. kliments and St. Naum of Ohrid were investors of the Cyrillic Alphabet. As a result of their creativity and incredible work, today more then 200 million people still use this alphabet, mostly in Southeast and Eastern Europe.

Ancient ruins, beautiful amphitheater, 3 citadel walls, St.Sofia Cathedral, many churches and monasteries, gallery of exclusive icons, museums, workshops for hand-made paper, woodcarving and famous Ohrid pearls, are among hundreds sites for tourists worth to visit. There is also a strong Roman connection to the city, since Lychnidos was along the famous route Via Egnatia, build in the 2nd century B.C., connecting the Adriatic and Aegean seas.

Considering the number of churches located in the Old town (365 churches according to the immemorial legend, for local people to celebrate every single day by honoring another saint), Ohrid is called “the Balkan Jerusalem”, successfully playing the role as the biggest pilgrimage spot for all the Orthodox Christian in the world.

One of the most extraordinary churches in Ohrid is the mother of god Theotokos Peribletos-“ The most holy who can take a look everywhere”. Build in the year 1295, this church is a pure masterpiece of the medieval sacred architecture. But more than that , the most incredible elements are the frescos inside this church, painted in the same year by Michael and Eutychios . Actually, at the end of the 13th century, before any similar artistic movements on Italian soil, exactly 10 years before the first fresco-painting of Giotto in Padua’s Arena Chapel (1305), the name of god will be glorified in Ohrid with frescos containing exclusive elements of the earliest start.

In 1979 and in 1980, Ohrid and Lake Ohrid were accepted as a Cultural and Natural World Heritage Sites by UNESCO. In fact, Ohrid is one of only 28 sites that are part of UNESCO's World Heritage that are both Cultural and Natural sites.

**Lake Ohrid** is one of Europe’s deepest and according to most experts the oldest lake in Europe. The importance of the lake was further emphasized when it was declared a World Heritage site by UNESCO in 1979. Feel Ohrid for once in your life and you already know why you will return. For more information visit [www.ohridinfo.mk](http://www.ohridinfo.mk/) Festival program will be held on the main square in Ohrid.

**Program Proposal**

**29.04. Thursday**

13.00.Arrivalin Ohrid, , hotel accommodation,

14.00 – 15.00 Lunch in hotel and free activities

19.00 – 20.00 Dinner in hotel

21.00. Welcome reception

**30.04. Friday**

09.00 -11.00 Breakfast,

11.00 -14.00 Ohrid sightseeing – visiting cultural monuments (St.Sofia church, Samoil fortress, Antique theatre, Plaosnik, St. Kaneo church, Bridge of wishes …)

14.00 – 15.00 Lunch in hotel

18-19.00 Dinner in hotel

19.00. Ensembles parade (old town)

20.00. Official opening of the festival

- Welcome speech and firework

- Open air performance

- Dancing together

**01.05 Saturday**

09.00 -10.00 Breakfast,

10.30 – 14.00 Visiting Stara carsia, oldest tree called – Cinar, Biljanini izvori, Ohrid pearl, old paper manufactory, shopping….. or VISITING STRUGA CITY,

14.00 – 15.00 Lunch in hotel,

18.00 – 19.00 Dinner in hotel

19.30 Ensemble parade and

20.00 Second festival evening (optional) or Macedonian evening party

**02.05.** **Sunday**

09.00 – 10.00 Breakfast ,

11.00 – 15.30 Cruising with boat on Ohrid Lake, visit Museum on water and most famous tourist resort St.Naum monastery, culture place, – (price 8 euros per person, lunch packet from hotel, dancing boat),

19.00 – 20.00 Dinner in hotel

21.00.- 00.00 Disco party with all participants, exchange presents, wine degustation and soft drink for the kids

**03.05. Monday**

09.00 Breakfast

11.00 Departure of the participants

**General rules :**

* The number of groups participants of the festival are not limited,

- Every group has the right to participate. **Children's ensembles**  (2/3 of the participants must be 16 or younger), **Youth ensembles** (2/3 of the participants must be 25 or younger), **adult ensembles** (1/3 of the participants must be older than 25).

* is a non-competitive sample of traditional and modern dances and music performed by groups.
* On the festival may participate children and youth folklore dance groups, modern dance groups, vocal groups, instrumental groups and soloists, as well as groups and performers from other art styles.
* The number of participants are limited (only 3 folk groups from each country),
* Each group should consist of most 50 members including dancers, managers and musicians,
* Ensemble should have prepared at least 2 folk dances 12-18 minutes each with orchestra or CD. The Choral groups -two parts from 12 – 18 minutes free program. The performances will be in the evening hours so you can plan the day ahead and use it for visiting the historical part of the city and excursions. Also, we will choose the best girl's and men's folk costume and the best dancing couple
* To send us short CV and photos of the group,
* To take a flag of the country,
* Folklore groups should have there **own transport** for arrival and departure,

**Participation fee**

**The price for 3\* Hotel accommodation is:**

**84 Euros** **4 FB** per person (4 nights with 3 meals per day (Full Board)).

**79 euro 4 HB** (4 nights breakfast and dinner)

It covers hotel accommodation with 3 meals per day in 3\*\*\* hotels which are located on the coast of Ohrid Lake, in 1/2, 1/3 or 1/4 bedrooms with own toilet and bathrooms and hotels in the centre of the city……

**Also you can come for 3 nights ( from 30 April till 03 May) – price is 63 euro FB**

Visit:

Hotel Desaret (hotel on the Lake) – [www.hoteldesaret.com.mk](http://www.hoteldesaret.com.mk/),

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Hotel Plaza (hotel on the Lake)- [www.galebiplaza.com.mk](http://www.galebiplaza.com.mk/),

Hotel Montenegrin (hotel on the Center of the city) – [www.montenegrininn.com](http://www.montenegrininn.com)

Hotel Kocarev - [www.hotelkocarev.com.mk](http://www.hotelkocarev.com.mk/),

**Festival organizers provide:**

* for 21 dancers – one gratis,
* souvenir and gift for each group,
* Certificate for attendance,
* Welcome cocktail
* Disco party with drink
* drinks during the performance,
* tourist guides for sightseeing of the town,
* free parking
* reception in city hall,
* advertising of the festival (press conference, radio and tv channels, posters)

INSURANCE:   
Personal responsibility and health insurance are within the other obligations of the groups. First Aid and Medical Hospital will be available, medical services must be covered by the group.

**On your request,**  You can continue your stay in Ohrid. Price will be 20 Euro per day per person FB – price is special for the participants in festivals that we can provide.

**Organizers** keep the right to change program of the festival. After Groups arrived in Hotel will be given detailed program of the festival and each group will have guide during festival.

After the festival finish organizers will send you DVD from the festival program for each group and photos. The copy right of all video materials and pictures are ownership of the Organization of the Festival.

**Confirmation** should be send till 25 December 2015 sending participation form – Form of attendance of the festival by e-mail: [mkcoh2001@yahoo.com](mailto:mkcoh2001@yahoo.com) or [ohridfolklor@gmail.com](mailto:ohridfolklor@gmail.com)

The festival will organize the transport for the groups coming by plane by picking them up from airport, during the festival days and back to the airport. You can also arrive through Skopje, Tirana (Albania) or Thessaloniki (Greece) Airport which are only 200 km from Ohrid. The cost of the transportation will be covered by the group and will be additionally agreed according to their number. We will also assist you in obtaining visa for Macedonia if necessary. Also, you can arrive by plane in Ohrid airport and we will organize free transport to the hotel.

Any group should confirm by the Form of attendance and after confirmation it should paid a vans of 250 euros on account of organizers after confirmation of the participation. The rest of money should be paid after the group arrived in hotel in Ohrid

By applying you confirm that you accept all festival conditions. All detailed information will be supply after your confirmation for participations.

**Organizers:** Culture association Models & Youth Culture centre Ohrid with cooperation of World Festival Association, National institution Centre of Culture ”G.Prlicev” – Ohrid and Municipality of Ohrid

In 2015 we had 224 participants from 6 EU countries.

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**Ohrid Folklor Days**

**Ohrid Struga choir festivals**

**INTERNATIONAL MUSIC FESTIVAL**

**“OHRID FEST”**

**12 - 15 May, Ohrid 2016**

**I N V I T A T I O N**

With pleasure **we INVITE you** (Folk groups, Choral groups and orchestras majorette teams), (children, youth and adults groups) to participate on **III International festival “OHRID FEST ” 12 -15 May, Ohrid 2016**

The **intention of our invitation** is to invite you to celebrate together the Day of EUROPE 09 May in Ohrid. The Festival light motive is to present the cultural tradition of different countries and to provide an opportunity for the members of groups to get together, to establish friendships and culture presentation trough dance and music.

Ancient ruins, beautiful amphitheatre, 3 citadel walls, St.Sofia Cathedral, St.Jovan Kaneo church, an important pilgrimage place. Breathtaking setting on a plateau over Ohrid Lake and Galicica mountain towering from behind. St.Naum monaster (one of the most beautiful monasteries in Macedonia) was founded in the 910 by St.Naum, but the present-day church was built in the 16th c. Of the original church just the side chapel with the grave of St.Naum still stands), gallery of exclusive icons, museums, workshops for hand-made paper, woodcarving and famous Ohrid pearls, are among hundreds sites for tourists worth to visit. There is also a strong Roman connection to the city, since Lychnidos was along the famous route Via Egnatia, build in the 2nd century B.C., connecting the Adriatic and Aegean sea. Considering the number of churches located in the Old town (365 churches according to the immemorial legend, for local people to celebrate every single day by honouring another saint), Ohrid is called “the Balkan Jerusalem”, successfully playing the role as the biggest pilgrimage spot for all the Orthodox Christians in the world.

Today Ohrid is a cultural, spiritual and tourist centre. And finally, as the crowning glory of its values, Ohrid and Lake Ohrid have been named a world cultural and natural heritage listed city under the protection of UNESCO since 1980.

Feel Ohrid for once in your life and you already know why you will return. For more information visit [www.ohridinfo.mk](http://www.ohridinfo.mk)

Festival program will be held on the main square in Ohrid.

**Program Proposal**

**12.05. Thursday**

13.00.Arrivalin Ohrid, , hotel accommodation,

14.00 – 15.00 Lunch in hotel

19.00 – 20.00 Dinner in hotel

21.00. Welcome reception

**13.05. Friday**

09.00 -11.00 Breakfast,

11.00 -14.00 Ohrid sightseeing – visiting cultural monuments (St.Sofia church, Samoil fortress, Antique theatre, Plaosnik, St. Kaneo church, Bridge of wishes …)

14.00 – 15.00 Lunch in hotel

18.00. Ensembles parade (old town)

18.30. Official opening of the festival

- welcome speech and firework

- open air performance

- Dancing together

20.30 Dinner in hotel

**14.05 Saturday Sunday**

09.00 -10.00 Breakfast,

11.00 – 15.30 Cruising with boat on Ohrid Lake, visit Museum on water and most famous tourist resort St. Naum monastery, culture place, –(price 8 euros per person, lunch package),

16.00 – 18.30. Shopping in the city

19.00 – 21.00 Dinner in hotel

21.00.- 00.00 Social events, exchange presents, disco party with wine degustation and soft drink for the kid

**15.05.** **Sunday**

09.00 Breakfast

11.00 Departure of the participants

**OPTIONAL – If you stay more days…**

**15.05 Sunday**

09.00 -10.00 Breakfast,

10.30 – 14.00 Visiting Struga city (house of Miladinovci brothers, river Crni Drim, Kalsita caves church……),

14.00 – 15.00 Lunch in hotel and free activities,

19.00 – 20.00 Dinner in hotel

20.00. – 23.00 Party for goodbye

**12.05. Monday**

08.00 – 09.00 Breakfast,

09.00 – 14.00 Departure to Skopje city with guides (visiting monuments of Alexander of Macedon, National museum of Macedonian struggle, Macedonian GATE, Stone bridge…) (optional)

14.00 Departure from Skopje city

**General rules :**

* is a non-competitive sample of traditional and modern dances, choral groups and majorette teams.
* Every Folklore,Choral group and majorette Teams has the right to participate. **Children's ensembles**  (2/3 of the participants must be 16 or younger), **Youth ensembles** (2/3 of the participants must be 25 or younger), **adult ensembles** (1/3 of the participants must be older than 25).On the festival may participate folklore dance groups, modern dance groups, vocal groups, instrumental groups and soloists, as well as groups and performers from other art styles. .
* The number of participants are limited (only 3 groups from each country),
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* To send us short CV and 2 – 3 photos of the group,
* To take a flag of the country,
* Folklore groups should have there **own transport** for arrival and departure,

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In 2015 on this Festival participated over 345 (children’s, youth and adults) participants from 7 countries of Europe.

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**INTERNATIONAL CHILDREN`S &YOUTH FOLK FESTIVAL**

**“ST.KIRIL & METODIJ” 20 - 24 May, Ohrid 2016**

**I N V I T A T I O N**

With pleasure **we INVITE you** (children and youth groups) to participate on **VI International children’s & youth folk – dance festival “St.Kiril & Metodij” 20 - 24 May, Ohrid, 2016**

The **intention of our invitation** is to invite you to celebrate together the day of St. Cyril & Methodius, 24th of May in Ohrid (city of St. Kliment and St.Naum – best students of St.Cyril & Methodius). The Festival light motive is to present the cultural tradition of different countries and to provide an opportunity for the members of groups to get together, to establish friendships and culture presentation trough dance and music.

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**Program Proposal**

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19.00 – 20.00 Dinner in hotel

21.00. Welcome reception

**21.05 Saturday**

09.00 -11.00 Breakfast,

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14.00 – 15.00 Lunch in hotel

18-19.00 Dinner in hotel

19.00. Ensembles parade (old town)

20.00. Official opening of the festival

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**22.05 Sunday**

09.00 -10.00 Breakfast,

11.00 – 15.30 Cruising with boat on Ohrid Lake, visit Museum on water and most famous tourist resort St.Naum monastery, culture place, –(price 8 euros per person, lunch packet on the boat),

18.00 – 19.30 Dinner in hotel

20.00 Parade and Second festival evening (optional) or Macedonian evening party

**23.05.** **Monday**

09.00 – 10.00 Breakfast ,

11.00 – 14.00 Visiting Stara carsia, oldest tree called – Cinar, Biljanini izvori, Ohrid pearl manufactory, shopping….. or visiting Struga city,

14.00 – 15.00 Lunch in hotel,

19.00 – 20.00 Dinner in hotel

21.00. Disco party for all participants with wine degustation and drink, exchange presents

**24.05. Tuesday**

09.00 Breakfast

11.00 Departure of the participants

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* On the festival may participate children and youth folklore dance groups, modern dance groups, vocal groups, instrumental groups and soloists, as well as groups and performers from other art styles. Participants can not be older then 25 year old.
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* Certificate for attendance,
* souvenir and gift for each group,
* Welcome cocktail
* Disco party with drink
* drinks during the performance,
* tourist guides for sightseeing of the town,
* free parking
* reception in city hall,
* advertising of the festival (press conference, radio and tv channels, posters)

INSURANCE:   
Personal responsibility and health insurance are within the other obligations of the groups. First Aid and Medical Hospital will be available, medical services must be covered by the group.

**On your request,**  You can continue your stay in Ohrid. Price will be 21 Euro per day per person FB – price is special for the participants in festivals that we can provide.

**Organizers** keep the right to change program of the festival. After Groups arrived in Hotel will be given detailed program of the festival and each group will have guide during festival.

**Confirmation** should be send till 01.February 2016 sending participation form – Form of attendance of the festival by e-mail: [mkcoh2001@yahoo.com](mailto:mkcoh2001@yahoo.com) or [ohridfolklor@gmail.com](mailto:ohridfolklor@gmail.com) , [ohridfestivaldays@gmail.com](mailto:ohridfestivaldays@gmail.com)

The festival will organize the transport for the groups coming by plane by picking them up from airport, during the festival days and back to the airport. You can also arrive through Skopje, Tirana (Albania) or Thessalonica (Greece) Airport which are only 200 km from Ohrid. The cost of the transportation will be covered by the group and will be additionally agreed according to their number. We will also assist you in obtaining visa for Macedonia if necessary**. *Also, you can arrive in Ohrid airport by plane and we will organize transfer from the airport to the hotel free of charge***.

Any group should confirm by the Form of attendance and after confirmation it should paid a vans of 250 euros on account of organizers until 15 February 2016. The rest of money should be paid after the group arrived in hotel in Ohrid.

By applying you confirm that you accept all festival conditions. All detailed information will be supply after your confirmation for participations.

In 2015 on this Festival participated over 255 children’s and youth from 9 countries of Europe.

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**INTERNATIONAL FOLK – DENCE**

**FESTIVALS**

**MACEDONIA, 2016**

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**INTERNATONAL MUSIC FESTIVAL**

***“OHRID SUNSET*” – *Ohrid, 02 – 06 June 2016***

**I N V I T A T I O N**

With pleasure **we INVITE you** (***Folk groups, Choral groups and Orchestras, Majorette teams), (children, youth and adults groups)*** to participate on **VII INTERNATIONAL MUSIC FESTIVAL “OHRID SUNSET”** which will be held from 02 – 06 June 2016

The Festival light motive is to present the cultural tradition of different countries and regions, and to provide an opportunity for the members of groups to get together, to establish friendships and culture presentation trough dance,music..

Festivals will be held on wonderful coast on Ohrid Lake, Ohrid city protected by UNESCO. More information on web site for Ohrid [www.ohridinfo.mk](http://www.ohridinfo.mk) .

Festival program will be held on the main square in Ohrid.

**Program**



**02.06 Thursday**

13.00.Arrivalin Ohrid after 13.00,hotel accommodation and free activities

14.00 – 15.00 Lunch in hotel

19.00 – 21.00 Dinner in hotel

21.00 Welcome reception

**03.06 Friday**

09.00 -10.00 Breakfast,

10.30 -14.00 Ohrid sightseeing – visiting cultural monuments (St.Sofia church, Samoil fortress, Antique theatre, Plaosnik, St. Kaneo church …)

14.00 – 15.00 Lunch in hotel

18.30 – 19.30 Dinner in hotel

20.00. Ensembles parade (old town)

20.30. Official opening of the festival

- welcome speech and firework

- Open air performance

- dancing together

**04.06 Saterday**

09.00 -10.00 Breakfast,

11.00 – 15.30 Cruising with boat on Ohrid Lake, visit Museum on water and most famous tourist resort St.Naum monastery, culture place, –(price 8 euros per person, lunch packet on the boat, dancing boat),

18.00 – 19.30 Dinner in hotel

20.00 Parade and Second festival evening (optional) or Macedonian evening party

**05.06 Saturday**

09.00 -10.00 Breakfast,

11.00 – 14.00 Visiting Stara carsia, oldest tree called – Cinar, Biljanini izvori, Ohrid pearl manufactory, shopping….. or visiting Struga city,

14.00 – 15.00 Lunch in hotel,

20.00 – 21.00 Dinner in hotel,

21.00 – 00.00 Disco Party for all participants with wine degustation and soft drink for the children

**06.06. Sunday**

09.00 – 10.00 Breakfast

11.30.Departure from hotel

**OPTIONAL – If you stay more days…**

**06.06 Sunday**

09.00 -10.00 Breakfast,

10.30 – 13.00 Visiting Struga city (house of Miladinovci brothers, river Crni Drim, Kalsita caves church……),

14.00 – 15.00 Lunch in hotel and free activities,

20.00 – 21.00 Dinner in hotel

21.00. Festival evening in Struga city (optional) or Macedonian evening party

**07.06 Monday**

09.00 – 10.00 Breakfast,

11.00 – 14.00 Visiting Vevcani (ethno village) or Beach time

14.00 – 15.00 Lunch in hotel

19.00 – 20.00 Dinner in hotel

20.30 – 23.30 Beach party

**08.06. Tuesday**

08.00 – 09.00 Breakfast

09.00 – 14.00 Departure to Skopje city with guide (visiting monuments of Alexander of Macedon, National museum of Macedonian struggle, Macedonian GATE, Stone bridge…) (optional)

14.00 Departure from Skopje city

**Participating conditions are:**

* is a non-competitive sample
* On the festival may participate children and youth folklore dance groups, modern dance groups, vocal groups, instrumental groups and soloists, as well as groups and performers from other art styles.
* The number of participants are limited (only 3 folk groups from each country),
* Each group should consist of most 50 members including dancers, managers and musicians,
* Ensemble should have prepared at least 2 folk dances 12-18 minutes each with orchestra or CD. The Choral groups -two parts from 12 – 18 minutes free program. The performances will be in the evening hours so you can plan the day ahead and use it for visiting the historical part of the city and excursions. Also, we will choose the best girl's and men's folk costume and the best dancing couple
* To send by mail short CV and 2-3 photos of the group,
* To bring a flag of the country,
* Groups should have there **own transport** for arrival and departure,

**Participation fee is 84 euro** per person for 4 nights with 3 meals per day (Full Board). It covers hotel accommodation with 3 meals per day in 3\*\*\* hotels which are located on the coast of Ohrid Lake, in 1/2, 1/3 or 1/4 bedrooms with own toilet and bathrooms…….. **or 79 euro 3HB** (breakfast and dinner)…

**Hotel Desaret is 3\*** Lake resort with outdoor swimming pool and 500 beds so number is limited..

**Also you can come for 3 nights ( from 03 – 06 June ) – price is 65 euro FB**

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* certificates for attendance on the festival,
* souvenir and presents for the groups,
* Welcome cocktail
* Disco party with drink,
* drinks during the performance,
* free parking
* tourist guides for sightseeing of the town,
* advertising of the festival (press conference, e-flayers….).

INSURANCE:  
Personal responsibility and health insurance are within the other obligations of the groups. First Aid and Medical Hospital will be available, medical services must be covered by the group.

**On your request,**  You can continue your stay in Ohrid. Price will be 21 Euro per day per person FB – price is special for the participants in festivals. For additional days we will prepare special program for you and festival evening in other city.

**Organizers** keep the right to change program of the festival. After Groups arrived in Hotel will be given detailed program of the festival.

**Confirmation** should be send till 15. February 2016 sending participation form by e-mail: [mkcoh2001@yahoo.com](mailto:mkcoh2001@yahoo.com) [ohridfolklor@gmail.com](mailto:ohridfolklor@gmail.com), [ohridfestivaldays@gmail.com](mailto:ohridfestivaldays@gmail.com)

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Any group should be paid a vans of 250 euros on account of organizers until 01 March 2016. The rest of money should be paid after the group arrived in hotel in Ohrid.

All detailed information will be supply after your confirmation for participations.

In 2015, participated over 284 participants from 6 countries from Europe.

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**INTERNATONAL FOLK FESTIVAL**

**AND COMPETITION**

***“OHRID PEARL*”**

***Ohrid, 16 - 20 June 2016***

**I N V I T A T I O N**

With pleasure **we INVITE you**  (children, youth and adults groups) to participate on **VI International Folk festival and competition “OHRID PEARL”** which will be held from 16 – 20 June 2016

The Festival light motive is to present the cultural tradition of different countries and regions, and to provide an opportunity for the members of groups to get together, to establish friendships and culture presentation trough dance, music..

Ohrid has been a living town for 2400 years, notable for having 365 churches, one for each day of the year, and is referred to as the Macedonian Jerusalem. Archaeological finds indicate that Ohrid is one of the oldest human settlements in all of Europe. The lake itself is over three million years old. Ohrid in the past was known as Lychnidos - or, “the city of light.” Only much later, in 879 CE, was it renamed Ohrid. The name probably derives from the phrase “Oh-rid” – meaning roughly, “Oh, what a cliff!” It comes from the time when the town was limited in a small area on the lake side of the hill, which in fact is a huge cliff rising above the lakeshore. The town as we know it today was built mostly between the 7th and 19th centuries. During the Byzantine period, Ohrid became a significant cultural and economic center, serving as an episcopal center of the Orthodox Church and as the site of the first Slavic university run by St. Kliment and St. Naum at the end of the 9th century. At the beginning of the 11th century, Ohrid briefly became the capital of the kingdom ruled by Car Samuil, whose fortress still presides over the city today. Festival will be held on wonderful coast on Ohrid Lake, Ohrid city protected by UNESCO. More information on web site for Ohrid [www.ohridinfo.mk](http://www.ohridinfo.mk) .

Festival program will be held on the main square in Ohrid.

**Program**



**16.06 Thursday**

13.00.Arrivalin Ohrid, hotel accommodation and free activities

14.00 – 15.00 Lunch in hotel

19.00 – 21.00 Dinner in hotel

21.00 Welcome reception

**17.06 Friday**

09.00 -10.00 Breakfast,

10.30 -14.00 Ohrid sightseeing – visiting cultural monuments (St.Sofia church, Samoil fortress, Antique theatre, Plaosnik, St. Kaneo church …)

14.00 – 15.00 Lunch in hotel

18.30 – 19.30 Dinner in hotel

20.00. Ensembles parade (old town)

20.30. Official opening of the festival

- welcome speech and firework

- Open air performance

- dancing together

**18.06 Saturday**

09.00 -10.00 Breakfast,

11.00 – 15.30 Cruising with boat on Ohrid Lake, visit Museum on water and most famous tourist resort St.Naum monastery, culture place, – (price 8 euro per person, lunch packet from hotel, dancing boat),

18.00 – 19.00 Dinner in hotel

19.30 Ensemble parade and Second festival evening (optional) or Macedonian evening party

**19.06.** **Sunday**

09.00 – 10.00 Breakfast ,

11.00 – 14.00 Visiting Stara carsia, oldest tree called – Cinar, Biljanini izvori, Ohrid pearl manufactory, shopping….. or visiting Struga city,

14.00 – 15.00 Lunch in hotel,

19.00 – 20.00 Dinner in hotel

21.00.- 00.00 Disco party with all participants, exchange presents, wine degustation and soft drink for the kids

**20.06. Monday**

09.00 Breakfast

11.00 Departure of the participants

**OPTIONAL – If you stay more days…**

**20.06 Monday**

09.00 -10.00 Breakfast,

10.30 – 14.00 Visiting Struga city (house of Miladinovci brothers, river Crni Drim, Kalsita caves church……) or beach time

14.00 – 15.00 Lunch in hotel and free activities,

20.00 – 21.00 Dinner in hotel

21.00. Festival evening in Struga city or Macedonian evening party

**21.06 Tuesday**

09.00 – 10.00 Breakfast,

11.00 – 14.00 Visiting Vevcani (ethno village) or Beach time

14.00 – 15.00 Lunch in hotel

19.00 – 20.00 Dinner in hotel

21.00 – 23.30 Beach party

**22.06. Wednesday**

08.00 – 09.00 Breakfast

09.00 – 14.00 Departure to Skopje city with guide (visiting monuments of Alexander of Macedon, National museum of Macedonian struggle, Macedonian GATE, Stone bridge…) (optional)

14.00 Departure from Skopje city

**Participating conditions are:**

* The number of groups participants of the festival are not limited,

- Every folklore group has the right to participate. **Children's ensembles**  (2/3 of the participants must be 16 or younger), **Youth ensembles** (2/3 of the participants must be 25 or younger), **adult ensembles** (1/3 of the participants must be older than 25).

* Festival is consist of two parts: **competitive and non competitive** (the group must emphases on which part on the festival will participate – competition or not competition, it must be more than 5 groups in competition part)
* On the festival may participate children’s, youth and adults folklore groups, modern dance groups, vocal groups, instrumental groups. Age of the participants are not limited.
* rewards for the winners of the festival in value of 300 euro ( festival board and audience will decide which group will be the winner),
* The number of participants are limited (only 3 folk groups from each country for competitive and maximum 3 groups for non competitive),
* Each group should consist of most 50 members including dancers, managers and musicians. Also, we will choose the best girl's and men's folk costume and the best dancing couple
* Ensemble should have prepared at least 2 folk dances, 10-15 minutes each with orchestra or CD. The performances will be in the evening hours so you can plan the day ahead and use it for visiting the historical part of the city and excursions.
* To send short CV and 2 – 3 photos from the group by mail,
* To bring a flag of the country,
* Folklore groups should have there **own transport** for arrival and departure.

**Participation fee is 84 euro** per person for 4 nights with 3 meals per day (Full Board). It covers hotel accommodation with 3 meals per day in 3\*\*\* hotels which are located on the coast of Ohrid Lake, in 1/2, 1/3 or 1/4 bedrooms with own toilet and bathrooms…….. **or 80 euro HB** (breakfast and dinner)…

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* certificates for attendance on the festival,
* Welcome cocktail
* Disco party with drink
* drinks during the performance,
* free parking
* tourist guides for sightseeing of the town,
* advertising of the festival (press conference, e-flayers….).

INSURANCE:  
Personal responsibility and health insurance are within the other obligations of the groups. First Aid and Medical Hospital will be available, medical services must be covered by the group.

**On your request,**  You can continue your stay in Ohrid. Price will be 22 Euro per day per person FB – price is special for the participants in festivals. For additional days we will prepare special program for you and festival evening in other city.

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After confirmation, any group should be paid a vans of 250 euros on account of organizers until 01 March 2016. The rest of money should be paid after the group arrived in hotel in Ohrid.

All detailed information will be supply after your confirmation for participations.

In 2015, participated over 410 participants from 12 countries from Europe.

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**INTERNATONAL CHILDREN’S AND YOUTH**

**MUSIC FESTIVAL**

***“OHRID LAKE*” - *Ohrid***

***23 - 27 June& 27.June-01 July 2015***

**I N V I T A T I O N**

***“OHRID LAKE” MUSIC festival is famous festival in Ohrid region. Organizers of the festival are: Youth culture center in cooperation with World Festival Association, Municipality of Ohrid and National Institution Center for culture “G. Prlicev” from Ohrid.***

With pleasure **we INVITE you** (FOLK GROUPS, CHORAL GROUPS AND MAJORETTE TEAMS)  (Children’s and Youth Groups) to participate on IX **International Childrens’s &Youth Music festival “Ohrid Lake”** which will be held from 23 – 27 June &27 June - 01.July 2015

Ohrid Lake is one of the oldest tectonic lakes on the planet (it is about 3 million years old),along with The Baikal Lake in Russia,Tanganyika and Malawi in Africa and Titicaca in South America.It is one of those rare preserved ancient lakes in Europe. Ohrid Lake is one of the largest and most important natural heritages in the world.The unique and endemic flora and fauna with many relic living forms make the lake rare but real natural "museum of living fossils".

Ohrid lake coast is 35km with beautifully sands beach, tourist attractions and entertainment. Temperature of the water in the lake is 25C degree and it is suitable for swimming, diving, yachting …..

**Ohrid** today is a cultural, spiritual and tourist centre. It is the famous tourist place in Macedonia but also in the region. During this period there are a lot of tourists from Holland, Finland, Poland, Sweden, Germany, Serbia, Bulgaria, Slovenia, Turkey …Due to exceptional beauty Ohrid is protected in this period is the best tourist resort in Macedonia. It is the famous tourist place in the region with a lot of hotels, apartments, a lot of traditional restaurants and café, shops, entertainment. Ohrid during the summer period lives 24 hours.

Ancient ruins, beautiful amphitheatre, 3 citadel walls, St.Sofia Cathedral, St.Jovan Kaneo church, St.Naum monaster (one of the most beautiful monasteries in Macedonia and an important pilgrimage place. Breathtaking setting on a plateau over Ohrid Lake and Galicica mountain towering from behind. It was founded in the 910 by St.Naum, but the present-day church was built in the 16th c. Of the original church just the side chapel with the grave of St.Naum still stands), gallery of exclusive icons, museums, workshops for hand-made paper, woodcarving and famous Ohrid pearls, are among hundreds sites for tourists worth to visit. There is also a strong Roman connection to the city, since Lychnidos was along the famous route Via Egnatia, build in the 2nd century B.C., connecting the Adriatic and Aegean sea. Considering the number of churches located in the Old town (365 churches according to the immemorial legend, for local people to celebrate every single day by honouring another saint), Ohrid is called “the Balkan Jerusalem”, successfully playing the role as the biggest pilgrimage spot for all the Orthodox Christians in the world.

More information on [www.ohridinfo.mk](http://www.ohridinfo.mk)

Festival program will be held on the main square in Ohrid.

**Program Proposal**

**23.06. Thursday / 27.06. Monday**

13.00Arrivalin Ohrid and hotel accommodation, free activities (swimming in Ohrid Lake)

14.00 – 15.00 Lunch in hotel

19.00 – 21.00 Dinner in hotel

21.00 Welcome reception

**24.06. Friday / 28.06.Thusday**

09.00 -10.00 Breakfast,

10.30 - 13.00 Ohrid sightseeing – visiting cultural monuments (St.Sofia church, Samoil fortress, Antique theatre, Plaosnik, St. Kaneo church, Gallery of Icons)

14.00-15.00 Lunch in hotel

18.00 – 19.00 Dinner in hotel

19.30. Ensembles parade (old town)

20.00. Official opening of the festival

- Welcome speech and firework

- Open air performance

- dancing together

**25.06 Saturday/ 29.06. Wednesday**

09.00 -10.00 Breakfast,

10.30 – 14.00 Visiting Stara carsia, oldest tree called – Cinar, Biljanini izvori, Ohrid pearl manufactory, old paper manufactory,shopping ….or Visiting Struga city,

14.00 – 15.00 Lunch in hotel and free activities (sunbathing),

18.00 – 19.00 Dinner in hotel

19.30 Ensemble parade and

20.00 – 23.00 Second festival evening (optional) or Macedonian evening party

**26.06. Sunday/ 30.06.Thursday**

09.00 -10.00 Breakfast,

11.00 – 15.30.Cruising with boat on Ohrid Lake, visit Museum on water and most famous tourist resort St.Naum -culture place, also swimming in most popular beach – (price 8 euros per person),(lunch package by hotel, dancing boat),

19.00 – 20.00 Dinner in hotel

21.00.- 00.00 Disco party with all participants, exchange presents, wine degustation and soft drink for the kids

**27.06. Monday /01.07.Friday**

09.00 -10.00 Breakfast,

11.00. Departure of the participants

**OPTIONAL – If you stay more days…**

**27.06 Monday/ 01.07Friday**

09.00 -10.00 Breakfast,

10.30 – 13.00 Visiting Struga city (house of Miladinovci brothers, river Crni Drim, Kalsita caves church……),

14.00 – 15.00 Lunch in hotel and free activities,

18.00 – 19.00 Dinner in hotel

20.00. Festival evening in Struga city (optional) or Macedonian evening party

**28.06. Thursday/ 02.07 Saturday**

09.00 -10.00 Breakfast,

10.30 – 14.00 Free activities (sunbathing and swimming in Ohrid Lake, walking in the city square… ) or visiting Vevcani (ethno village),

14.00 – 15.00 Lunch in hotel and free activities,

20.00 – 21.00 Dinner in hotel

21.00.- 23.00 Beach party

**29.06 Wednesday / 03.07. Sunday**

08.00 – 09.00 Breakfast,

09.00 – 14.00 Departure to Skopje city with guides (visiting monuments of Alexander of Macedon, National museum of Macedonian struggle, Macedonian GATE, Stone bridge…) (optional)

14.00 Departure from Skopje city

**Participating conditions are:**

- Every group (Folk, Choir and Majorette) has the right to participate. **Children's ensembles**  (2/3 of the participants must be 16 or younger), **Youth ensembles** (2/3 of the participants must be 25 or younger),

* it is a non-competitive sample .
* On the festival may participate children and youth folklore dance groups, modern dance groups, vocal groups, instrumental groups and soloists, as well as groups and performers from other art styles. Participants can not be older then 25 year old.
* The number of participants are limited (only 3 groups from each country),
* Each group should consist of most 50 members including dancers, managers and musicians,
* Ensemble should have prepared at least 2 dances, 10-15 minutes each with orchestra or CD. The Choral groups should prepare 10 – 15 minutes program in free category. The performances will be in the evening hours so you can plan the day ahead and use it for visiting the historical part of the city and excursions.
* To send us short CV and photos of the group,
* To take a flag of the country,
* Folklore groups should have there **own transport** for arrival and departure,

**Participation fee:**

**Accommodation in 3\* hotel**

**84 Euro** **for 4 FB** **per person** (4 nights with 3 meals per day (Full Board). ). It covers hotel accommodation with 3 meals per day in 3\*\*\* hotels which are located on the coast of Ohrid Lake, in 1/2, 1/3 or 1/4 bedrooms with own toilet and bathrooms……

**80 euro per person HB** (breakfast and dinner)…

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* advertising of the festival (press conference, radio and tv channels, posters.
* Free parking during festival evening

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Any group should be paid a vans of 250 euros on account of organizers until 01 March 2016. The rest of money should be paid after the group arrived in hotel in Ohrid.

All detailed information will be supply after your confirmation for participations.

In 2014, participated over 376 participants from 9 countries from Europe.

In 2015, participated over 414 participants from 10 countries from Europe.

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**INTERNATIONAL FOLK – DENCE**

**FESTIVALS**

**MACEDONIA, 2016**

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**INTERNATIONAL FOLK – DANCE FESTIVAL**

***“MACEDONIAN SUN OF ALEXANDER”***

**14-18 July, Ohrid 2016**

**I N V I T A T I O N**

With pleasure **we INVITE you** (Children, Youth and Adults groups) to participate on **X International folk – dance festival “MACEDONIAN SUN OF ALEXANDER” 14 - 18 July Ohrid 2016**

The Festival light motive is to present the cultural tradition of different countries and regions, and to provide an opportunity for the members of groups to get together and create friendships and culture presentation trough dance and music.

**Ohrid City – a mixture of rich history and modern life......**

Ohrid is an immortal town on the mythical Balkan, a magical hill of Macedonia whose primordial pulsation links ancient and modern times forever... Ohrid has been a living town for 2400 years, notable for having 365 churches, one for each day of the year, and is referred to as the Macedonian Jerusalem. Archaeological finds indicate that Ohrid is one of the oldest human settlements in all of Europe. The lake itself is over three million years old. Ohrid in the past was known as Lychnidos - or, “the city of light.” Only much later, in 879 CE, was it renamed Ohrid. The name probably derives from the phrase “Oh-rid” – meaning roughly, “Oh, what a cliff!” It comes from the time when the town was limited in a small area on the lake side of the hill, which in fact is a huge cliff rising above the lakeshore. The town as we know it today was built mostly between the 7th and 19th centuries. During the Byzantine period, Ohrid became a significant cultural and economic center, serving as an episcopal center of the Orthodox Church and as the site of the first Slavic university run by St. Kliment and St. Naum at the end of the 9th century. At the beginning of the 11th century, Ohrid briefly became the capital of the kingdom ruled by Car Samuil, whose fortress still presides over the city today. In 1979 and in 1980, Ohrid and Lake Ohrid were accepted as a Cultural and Natural World Heritage Sites by UNESCO. In fact, Ohrid is one of only 28 sites that are part of UNESCO's World Heritage that are both Cultural and Natural sites.

**Ohrid** in this period is the best tourist resort in Macedonia. It is the famous tourist place in the region with a lot of hotels, apartments, a lot of traditional restaurants and café, shops, entertainment. Ohrid during the summer period lives 24 hours.

Ohrid lake coast is 35km with beautifully sands beach, tourist attractions and entertainment. Temperature of the water in the lake is 25C degree and it is suitable for swimming, diving, yachting …..

For more information visit [www.ohridinfo.mk](http://www.ohridinfo.mk)

Festival program will be held on the main square in Ohrid.

**Program**

**14.07. Thursday**

13.00Arrivalin Ohrid after 13.00 and hotel accommodation, free activities (swimming in Ohrid Lake)

14.00 – 15.00 Lunch in hotel

19.00 – 21.00 Dinner in hotel

21.00 Welcome reception

**15.07. Friday**

08.00 -10.00 Breakfast,

10.30 -13.00 Ohrid sightseeing – visiting cultural monuments (St. Sofia church, Samoil fortress, Antique theatre, Plaosnik, St. Kaneo church, Bridge of wishes, Gallery of Icon, ..)

14.00-15.00 Lunch in hotel

18.00 – 19.00 Dinner in hotel

19.30. Ensembles parade (old town)

20.00. Official opening of the festival

- Welcome speech and firework

- Open air performance (festival evening)

- Dancing together

**16.07. Saturday**

09.00-10.00 Breakfast

10.30 – 14.00 Visiting Stara carsia, oldest tree called – Cinar, Biljanini springs, Ohrid pearl , old paper manufactory,shopping or Visiting Struga city,

14.00 – 15.00 Lunch in hotel and free activities (sunbathing),

18.30 – 19.30 Dinner in hotel

20.00 Festival parade and Second festival evening or Macedonian evening party

**17.07.** **Sunday**

08.00 - 10.00. Breakfast in hotel and free activities,

10.30 – 15.30 Cruising with boat on Ohrid Lake and visit most famous tourist resort St.Naum - culture place and swimming in one of the best sands beach located on the Ohrid coast,– (price 8 euros per person, launch package , dancing boat),

18.00 – 21.00 Dinner in hotel

21.00.- 00.00 Disco party with all participants, exchange presents, wine degustation and soft drink for the kids

**18.07.Monday**

09.00-10.00 Breakfast

11.00 Departure of the participants.

**OPTIONAL – If you stay more days…**

**18.07 Monday**

09.00 -10.00 Breakfast,

10.30 – 14.00 Visiting Struga city (house of Miladinovci brothers, river Crni Drim, Kalsita cave church ……),

14.00 – 15.00 Lunch in hotel and free activities,

19.00 – 20.00 Dinner in hotel

21.00. Festival evening in Struga city or Macedonian evening party

**19.07. Thusday**

09.00 -10.00 Breakfast,

10.30 – 14.00 Free activities (sunbathing and swimming in Ohrid Lake, walking in the city square… ) or visiting Vevcani (ethno village),

14.00 – 15.00 Lunch in hotel and free activities,

20.00 – 21.00 Dinner in hotel

21.00.- 00.00 Beach party

**20.07 Wednesday**

08.00 – 09.00 Breakfast,

09.00 – 14.00 Departure to Skopje city ( visiting monuments of Alexander of Macedon, museum, Macedonian GATE, Stone bridge…) (optional)

14.00 Departure from Skopje city

**General rules :**

- Every folklore group has the right to participate. **Children's ensembles**  (2/3 of the participants must be 16 or younger), **Youth ensembles** (2/3 of the participants must be 25 or younger), **adult ensembles** (1/3 of the participants must be older than 25).

* Festival is  **not competitive**
* On the festival may participate children’s, youth and adults folklore groups, modern dance groups, vocal groups, instrumental groups. Age of the participants are not limited.
* rewards for the winners of the festival in value of 300 euro ( festival board and audience will decide which group will be the winner),
* The number of participants are limited (only 3 folk groups from each country for competitive and maximum 3 groups for non competitive),
* Each group should consist of most 50 members including dancers, managers and musicians,
* Ensemble should have prepared at least 2 folk dances, 10-15 minutes each with orchestra or CD. The performances will be in the evening hours so you can plan the day ahead and use it for visiting the historical part of the city and excursions.
* To send short CV and 2 – 3 photos from the group by mail,
* To bring a flag of the country,
* Folklore groups should have there **own transport** for arrival and departure.

**Participation fee:**

**The price for 3\* hotel accommodation is:**

**86 Euro** **for 4 FB** per person ( 4 nights with 3 meals per day (Full Board). )

**83 euro for 4 HB** per person (breakfast and dinner).

It covers hotel accommodation with 3 meals per day in 3\*\*\* hotels which are located on the coast of Ohrid Lake, in 1/2, 1/3 bedrooms with own toilet and bathrooms,

**Hotel Desaret** is 3\* Lake resort with outdoor swimming pool and it has 550 beds so the number is limited. (Our organization has only the right to represent the hotel Desaret),

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**Festival organizers provide:**

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* tourist guides for sightseeing of the town,
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All detailed information will be supply after your confirmation for participations.

In 2014 on this festival participated over 466 participants from 12 countries from Europe.

In 2015 on this festival participated over 473 participants from 14 countries from Europe.

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**INTERNATIONAL MUSIC FESTIVAL**

***“OHRID – CITY OF LIGHT”***

**21 - 25 July& 28 July – 01.August, Ohrid 2016**

**I N V I T A T I O N**

With pleasure **we INVITE you** (FOLK – DANCE, CHOIR GROUPS AND MAJORETTE TEAMS) (CHILDREN’S.YOUTH&ADULTS) to participate on VIII **INTERNATIONAL MUSIC FESTIVAL “OHRID - *CITY OF LIGHT*” 21 - 25 July &28 July – 01 August, Ohrid 2016**

The Festival light motive is to present the cultural tradition of different countries and regions, and to provide an opportunity for the members of groups to get together and create friendships and culture presentation trough dance and music.

**Ohrid** in this period is the best tourist resort in Macedonia. It is the famous tourist place in the region with a lot of hotels, apartments, a lot of traditional restaurants and café, shops, entertainment. Ohrid during the summer period lives 24 hours.

Ohrid lake coast is 35km with beautifully sands beach, tourist attractions and entertainment. Temperature of the water in the lake is 25C degree and it is suitable for swimming, diving, yachting …..

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Festival program will be held on the main square in Ohrid.

**Program**

**21.07. Thursday /28.07**

13.00Arrivalin Ohrid after 13.00 and hotel accommodation, free activities (swimming in Ohrid Lake)

14.00 – 15.00 Lunch in hotel

19.00 – 21.00 Dinner in hotel

21.00 Welcome reception

**22.07. Friday /29.07.**

09.00 -10.00 Breakfast,

10.00 -13.00 Ohrid sightseeing – visiting cultural monuments (St. Sofia church, Samoil fortress, Antique theatre, Plaosnik, St. Kaneo church, Bridge of wishes ..)

14.00-15.00 Lunch in hotel

18.30 – 19.30 Dinner in hotel

20.00. Ensembles parade (old town)

20.30. Official opening of the festival

- Welcome speech and firework

- Open air performance (festival evening)

- Dancing together

**23.07. Saturday / 30.07**

09.00-10.00 Breakfast

11.00 – 16.00 Cruising with boat on Ohrid Lake, Visiting Museum on water and visit most famous tourist resort St.Naum - culture place, and swimming in one of the best sands beach located on the Ohrid coast,– (price 8 euros per person, launch packet, dancing boat),

18.30 – 19.30 Dinner in hotel

20.00 Parade and Second festival evening (optional) or Macedonian evening party

**24.07.** **Sunday / 31.07.**

10.00. Breakfast in hotel and free activities,

10.00 – 13.00 Visiting Stara carsia, oldest tree called – Cinar, Biljanini springs, Ohrid pearl , old paper manufactory, shopping or Visiting Struga city,

14.00 – 15.00 Lunch in hotel and free activities (sunbathing),

18.00 – 20.00 Dinner in hotel

21.00 - 00.00 Disco party with all participants, exchange presents, wine degustation and soft drink for the kids

**25.07.Monday / 01.08.**

09.00-10.00 Breakfast

11.00 Departure of the participants.

**OPTIONAL – If you stay more days…**

**25.07 Monday/02.08**

09.00 -10.00 Breakfast,

10.30 – 14.00 Visiting Struga city (house of Miladinovci brothers, river Crni Drim, Kalsita cave church ……),

14.00 – 15.00 Lunch in hotel and free activities,

19.00 – 20.00 Dinner in hotel

21.00. Festival evening in Struga city or Macedonian evening party

**26.07. Tuesday /03.08**

09.00 -10.00 Breakfast,

10.30 – 14.00 Free activities (sunbathing and swimming in Ohrid Lake, walking in the city square… ) or visiting Vevcani (ethno village),

14.00 – 15.00 Lunch in hotel and free activities,

20.00 – 21.00 Dinner in hotel

21.00.- 00.00 Beach party

**27.07 Wednesday/ 04.08**

08.00 – 09.00 Breakfast,

09.00 – 14.00 Departure to Skopje city ( visiting monuments of Alexander of Macedon, museum, Macedonian GATE, Stone bridge…) (optional)

14.00 Departure from Skopje city

**General rules :**

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* On the festival may participate children’s, youth and adults folklore groups, modern dance groups, vocal groups, majorette teams, instrumental groups. Age of the participants are not limited.
* The number of participants are limited (only 3 groups from each country),
* Each group should consist of most 50 members including dancers, managers and musicians,
* Ensembles should have prepared at least 2 dances, 10-15 minutes each with orchestra or CD. For the Vocal groups 15 – 20 minutes free program. The performances will be in the evening hours so you can plan the day ahead and use it for visiting the historical part of the city and excursions.
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All detailed information will be supply after your confirmation for participations.

In 2014 on this festival participated over 276 participants from 8 countries from Europe.

In 2015 on this festival participated over 332 participants from 9 countries from Europe.

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**INTERNATIONAL FOLK – DENCE**

**FESTIVALS**

**MACEDONIA, 2016**

**A U G U S T**

**INTERNATONAL MUSIC FESTIVAL**

***“ST. KLIMENT OHRIDSKI”,***

***Ohrid, 04 – 08 August 2016***

**I N V I T A T I O N**

With pleasure **we INVITE you** (***Folk groups, Choral groups and Orchestras, Majorette teams), (children, youth and adults groups)*** to participate on **VII INTERNATIONAL MUSIC FESTIVAL *“ST. KLIMENT OHRIDSKI”,*** which will be held from 04 – 08 August 2016

The Festival light motive is to celebrate St Kliment – Patron of the Ohrid city 08 august .Also to present the cultural tradition of different countries and regions, and to provide an opportunity for the members of groups to get together, to establish friendships and culture presentation trough dance,music..

This period is high season in Ohrid as a tourist place and there are many tourist from Europe. Ohrid live 24 hours. Many discotheques, bars, restaurants works per all nights. Festivals will be held on wonderful coast on Ohrid Lake, Ohrid city protected by UNESCO. More information on web site for Ohrid [www.ohridinfo.mk](http://www.ohridinfo.mk) .

Festival program will be held on the main square in Ohrid.

**Program**



**04.08 Thursday**

13.00.Arrivalin Ohrid after 13.00,hotel accommodation and free activities

14.00 – 15.00 Lunch in hotel

19.00 – 21.00 Dinner in hotel

21.00 Welcome reception

**05.08 Friday**

09.00 -10.00 Breakfast,

10.30 -14.00 Ohrid sightseeing – visiting cultural monuments (St.Sofia church, Samoil fortress, Antique theatre, Plaosnik, St. Kaneo church …)

14.00 – 15.00 Lunch in hotel

18.30 – 19.30 Dinner in hotel

20.00. Ensembles parade (old town)

20.30. Official opening of the festival

- welcome speech and firework

- Open air performance

- dancing together

**06.08 Saturday**

09.00 -10.00 Breakfast,

11.00 – 15.30 Cruising with boat on Ohrid Lake, visit Museum on water and most famous tourist resort St.Naum monastery, culture place, –(price 8 euros per person, lunch packet on the boat, dancing boat),

18.00 – 19.30 Dinner in hotel

20.00 Parade and Second festival evening (optional) or Macedonian evening party

**07.08 Saturday**

09.00 -10.00 Breakfast,

11.00 – 14.00 Visiting Stara carsia, oldest tree called – Cinar, Biljanini izvori, Ohrid pearl manufactory, shopping….. or visiting Struga city,

14.00 – 15.00 Lunch in hotel,

20.00 – 21.00 Dinner in hotel,

21.00 – 00.00 Disco Party for all participants with wine degustation and soft drink for the children

**08.08. Sunday**

09.00 – 10.00 Breakfast

11.30.Departure from hotel

**OPTIONAL – If you stay more days…**

**08.08 Sunday**

09.00 -10.00 Breakfast,

10.30 – 13.00 Visiting Struga city (house of Miladinovci brothers, river Crni Drim, Kalsita caves church……),

14.00 – 15.00 Lunch in hotel and free activities,

20.00 – 21.00 Dinner in hotel

21.00. Festival evening in Struga city (optional) or Macedonian evening party

**09.08 Monday**

09.00 – 10.00 Breakfast,

11.00 – 14.00 Visiting Vevcani (ethno village) or Beach time

14.00 – 15.00 Lunch in hotel

19.00 – 20.00 Dinner in hotel

20.30 – 23.30 Beach party

**10.08. Tuesday**

08.00 – 09.00 Breakfast

09.00 – 14.00 Departure to Skopje city with guide (visiting monuments of Alexander of Macedon, National museum of Macedonian struggle, Macedonian GATE, Stone bridge…) (optional)

14.00 Departure from Skopje city

**Participating conditions are:**

* is a non-competitive sample
* On the festival may participate children and youth folklore dance groups, modern dance groups, vocal groups, instrumental groups and soloists, as well as groups and performers from other art styles.
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* Ensemble should have prepared at least 2 folk dances 12-18 minutes each with orchestra or CD. The Choral groups -two parts from 12 – 18 minutes free program. The performances will be in the evening hours so you can plan the day ahead and use it for visiting the historical part of the city and excursions. Also, we will choose the best girl's and men's folk costume and the best dancing couple
* To send by mail short CV and 2-3 photos of the group,
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* Groups should have there **own transport** for arrival and departure,

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In 2015, participated over 284 participants from 6 countries from Europe.

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**INTERNATONAL FOLK - DANCE FESTIVAL**

***“OHRID WAVES*”**

***Ohrid 11 – 15 August 2016***

**I N V I T A T I O N**

***“OHRID WAVES”  festival is unique folk festival in region. Organizers of the festival are: Association of culture and art “Models”, in cooperation with World Festival Association, Municipality of Ohrid and National Institution Center for culture “G.Prlicev” from Ohrid.***

With pleasure **we INVITE you** (CHILDREN’S,YOUTH&ADULTS groups) to participate on X **International Folk festival “Ohrid WAVES”** which will be held on 11 – 15 August 2016

**Ohrid** today is a cultural, spiritual and tourist centre. It is the famous tourist place in Macedonia but also in the region. During this period there are a lot of tourists from Holland, Finland, Poland, Sweden, Germany, Serbia, Bulgaria, Slovenia, Turkey …Due to exceptional beauty Ohrid is protected in this period is the best tourist resort in Macedonia. It is the famous tourist place in the region with a lot of hotels, apartments, a lot of traditional restaurants and café, shops, entertainment. Ohrid during the summer period lives 24 hours.

**Lake Ohrid** is one of Europe’s deepest and according to most experts the oldest lake in Europe. The importance of the lake was further emphasized when it was declared a World Heritage site by UNESCO in 1979. Feel Ohrid for once in your life and you already know why you will return. Ohrid lake coast is 35km with beautifully sands beach, tourist attractions and entertainment. Temperature of the water in the lake is 25C degree and it is suitable for swimming, diving, yachting..

Ancient ruins, beautiful amphitheatre, 3 citadel walls, St.Sofia Cathedral, St.Jovan Kaneo church, St.Naum monaster (one of the most beautiful monasteries in Macedonia and an important pilgrimage place. Breathtaking setting on a plateau over Ohrid Lake and Galicica mountain towering from behind.

Gallery of exclusive icons, museums, workshops for hand-made paper, woodcarving and famous Ohrid pearls, are among hundreds sites for tourists worth to visit. There is also a strong Roman connection to the city, since Lychnidos was along the famous route Via Egnatia, build in the 2nd century B.C., connecting the Adriatic and Aegean sea. Considering the number of churches located in the Old town (365 churches according to the immemorial legend, for local people to celebrate every single day by honouring another saint), Ohrid is called “the Balkan Jerusalem”, successfully playing the role as the biggest pilgrimage spot for all the Orthodox Christians in the world.

More information on [www.ohridinfo.mk](http://www.ohridinfo.mk)

Festival program will be held on the main square in Ohrid.

**Program**

**11.08. Thursday**

13.00Arrivalin Ohrid after 13.00 and hotel accommodation, free activities (swimming in Ohrid Lake)

14.00 – 15.00 Lunch in hotel

19.00 – 21.00 Dinner in hotel

21.00 Welcome reception

**12.08. Friday**

09.00 -10.00 Breakfast,

10.00 -13.00 Ohrid sightseeing – visiting cultural monuments (St.Sofia church, Samoil fortress, Antique theatre, Plaosnik, St. Kaneo church, Bridge of wishes, Gallery of Icon …)

14.00-15.00 Lunch in hotel

18.00 – 19.00 Dinner in hotel

19.30. Ensembles parade (old town)

20.00. Official opening of the festival

- Welcome speech and firework

- Open air performance

- Dancing together

**13.08 Saturday**

09.00 -10.00 Breakfast,

10.00 – 13.00 Visiting Stara carsia, oldest tree called – Cinar, Biljanini springs, Ohrid pearl, old paper manufactory, shopping or visiting Struga city… ,

14.00 – 15.00 Lunch in hotel and free activities (sunbathing),

19.00 – 19.00 Dinner in hotel

20.00 Second festival evening (optional) or Macedonian evening party

**14.08. Sunday**

09.00 -10.00 Breakfast,

11.00 – 16.00.Cruising with boat on Ohrid Lake, visit Museum on water and most famous tourist resort St.Naum-culture place, also swimming in most popular beach –(price 8 euros per person),lunch package, dancing boat),

18.00 – 20.00 Dinner in hotel

21.00 - 00.00 Disco party with all participants, exchange presents, wine degustation and soft drink for the kids

**15.08. Monday**

09.00 -10.00 Breakfast,

11.00. Departure of the participants

**OPTIONAL – If you stay more days…**

**15.08 Monday**

09.00 -10.00 Breakfast,

10.00 – 13.00 Visiting Struga city (house of Miladinovci brothers, river Crni Drim, Kalsita cave church ……),

14.00 – 15.00 Lunch in hotel and free activities,

19.00 – 20.00 Dinner in hotel

21.00. Festival evening in Struga city or Macedonian evening party

**16.08. Thursday**

09.00 -10.00 Breakfast,

10.00 – 14.00 Free activities (sunbathing and swimming in Ohrid Lake, walking in the city square… ) or visiting Vevcani (ethno village) ,

14.00 – 15.00 Lunch in hotel and free activities,

19.00 – 21.00 Dinner in hotel

21.00.- 00.00 Beach party

**17.08 Wednesday**

08.00 – 09.00 Breakfast,

09.00 – 14.00 Departure to Skopje city with guide (visiting monuments of Alexander of Macedon, Museum of Macedonian struggle, Macedonian GATE, Stone bridge, Memorial centre of holocaust…) (optional)

14.00 Departure from Skopje city

**Participating conditions are:**

- Every folklore group has the right to participate. **Children's ensembles**  (2/3 of the participants must be 16 or younger), **Youth ensembles** (2/3 of the participants must be 25 or younger), **adult ensembles** (1/3 of the participants must be older than 25).

* The number of groups participants of the festival are limited (only 3 folk groups from each country),
* Each group should consist of most 50 members including dancers, managers and musicians - Age of the participants are not limited,
* Ensemble should have prepared at least 2 folk dances, 10-15 minutes each with orchestra or CD,
* To send CV and 2-3 photos by mail,
* To bring a flag of the country,
* Folklore groups should have there **own transport** for arrival and departure,

**Participation fee** **is 85 Euros** **for 4 FB** per person ( 4 nights with 3 meals per day (Full Board). ). It covers hotel accommodation with 3 meals per day in 3\*\*\* hotels which are located on the coast of Ohrid Lake, in 1/2, 1/3 bedrooms with own toilet and bathrooms,…or **81 Euros for 4 HB** ( breakfast and dinner)

**Hotel Desaret** is 3\* Lake resort with outdoor swimming pool and it has 500 beds so the number is limited... (Our organization has only the right to represent the hotel Desaret),

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Hotel Montenegrin (hotel on the Center of the city) – [www.montenegrininn.com](http://www.montenegrininn.com)

Hotel Kocarev - [www.hotelkocarev.com.mk](http://www.hotelkocarev.com.mk/),

**Festival organizers provide:**

* for 21 dancers – one gratis,
* certificates for attendance on the festival,
* souvenir and gift for each group,
* Welcome cocktail
* Disco party with drink
* tourist guides for sightseeing of the town,
* drinks during the performance,
* reception in city hall,
* advertising of the festival (press conference, radio and tv channels, posters and flayers).
* Free parking during the festival evening

INSURANCE:  
Personal responsibility and health insurance are within the other obligations of the groups. First Aid and Medical Hospital will be available, medical services must be covered by the group.

**On your request,**  You can continue your stay in Ohrid. Price will be 23 Euro per day per person FB – price is special for the participants in festivals that we can provide. For additional days we will prepare special program for you.

**After** Groups arrived in Hotel will be given detailed program of the festival.

**Confirmation** should be send till 01. March 2015 sending participation form by e-mail: [mkcoh2001@yahoo.com](mailto:mkcoh2001@yahoo.com), [ohridfolklor@gmail.com](mailto:ohridfolklor@gmail.com)

The festival will organize the transport for the groups coming by plane by picking them up from Ohrid airport, during the festival days and back to the same Ohrid airport. You can also arrive through Skopje, Tirana or Thessaloniki Airport which are only 200 km from Ohrid. The cost of the transportation will be covered by the group and will be additionally agreed according to their number. We will also assist you in obtaining visa for Macedonia if necessary. *Also, you can arrive in Ohrid airport by plane and we will organize transfer from the airport to the hotel free of charge.*

Any group should be paid a vans of 250 euros on account of organizers until 15 March 2014. The rest of money should be paid after the group arrived in hotel in Ohrid.

All detailed information will be supply after your confirmation for participations.

In 2014 on this festival participated over 488 participants from 15 countries from Europe.

In 2015 on this Festival participated over 493 participants from 15 countries from  Europe.

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**INTERNATONAL FOLK - DANCE**

**FESTIVAL AND COMPETITION**

***“OHRID SUN*” -**

***Ohrid, 18 – 22& 25 -29 August 2016***

**I N V I T A T I O N**

***Organizers of the festival are: Youth culture center in cooperation with World Festival Association, National Institution Center for culture “G.Prlicev” from Ohrid and Municipality of Ohrid.***

With pleasure **we INVITE you** to participate on X **International Folk festival and competition “Ohrid Sun”** which will be held on 18 – 22 &25 -29 August 2016.

**Ohrid** today is a cultural, spiritual and tourist centre. It is the famous tourist place in Macedonia but also in the region. During this period there are a lot of tourists from Holland, Finland, Poland, Sweden, Germany, Serbia, Bulgaria, Slovenia, Turkey …Due to exceptional beauty Ohrid is protected in this period is the best tourist resort in Macedonia. It is the famous tourist place in the region with a lot of hotels, apartments, a lot of traditional restaurants and café, shops, entertainment. Ohrid during the summer period lives 24 hours.

Ohrid lake coast is 35km with beautifully sands beach, tourist attractions and entertainment. Temperature of the water in the lake is 25C degree and it is suitable for swimming, diving, yachting …..

Also Ohrid is one of the oldest settlements in Macedonia. According to famous television game show “who wants to be a millionaire “ in 2007 on British Television ,Ohrid is declared as the oldest city in the world, with continuous civilization advancement! Indeed, according to many historians, Lychnidos-the city of light (the ancient name of Ohrid ) was build in the 4th century B.C, but humans have lived there for more than 8.000 years. Here in Ohrid, from its beginning until today, life still goes on, without ending.That is why it‘s also called “the kingdom of archaeologists”.

However, Ohrid is the only place in the world where 2 recognized saints actually lived in the same time - St. Clement of Ohrid (840-916) and St.Naum of Ohrid (830-910), putting an extremely strong stamp of their existence.

These 2 exceptional persons, the best students of Cyril and Methodius, were in fact the most educated persons in the world in their time. Among other achievements, they will always be remembered as establishers of the first University in Europe (893), located in Ohrid Old Town, long before the University in Bologna (1088)! Besides that, St. Clement and St.Naum of Ohrid were founders of the Cyrillic Alphabet. As a result of their creativity and incredible work, today more then 200 million people still use this alphabet, mostly in Southeast and Eastern Europe. More information on [www.ohridinfo.mk](http://www.ohridinfo.mk)

Festival program will be held on the main square in Ohrid.

**Program**

**18.08. Thursday / 25.08.**

13.00Arrivalin Ohrid after 13.00 and hotel accommodation, free activities (swimming in Ohrid Lake)

14.00 – 15.00 Lunch in hotel

19.00 – 21.00 Dinner in hotel

21.00 Welcome reception

**19.08. Friday / 26.08.**

09.00 -10.00 Breakfast,

10.00 -13.00 Ohrid sightseeing – visiting cultural monuments (St.Sofia church, Samoil fortress, Antique theatre, Plaosnik, St. Kaneo church, Bridge of wishes…)

14.00-15.00 Lunch in hotel

18.00 – 19.00 Dinner in hotel

19.30. Ensembles parade (old town)

20.00. Official opening of the festival

- Welcome speech and firewall

- Open air performance

- Dancing together

**20.08 Saturday / 27.08**

09.00 -10.00 Breakfast,

10.00 – 13.00 Visiting Stara carsia, oldest tree called – Cinar, Biljanini izvori,Ohrid pearl manufactory, shopping or visiting Struga city,

14.00 – 15.00 Lunch in hotel and free activities (sunbathing),

18.00 – 19.00 Dinner in hotel

20.00 Festival parade and Second festival evening (optional) or Macedonian evening party

**21.08. Sunday** / **28.08.**

09.00 -10.00 Breakfast,

11.00 – 16.00.Cruising with boat on Ohrid Lake, visit Museum on water and most famous tourist resort St.Naum-culture place, also swimming in most popular beach –(price 8 euros per person),(lunch package, dancing boat),

20.00 – 21.00 Dinner in hotel

21.00 - 00.00 Disco party with all participants, exchange presents, wine degustation and soft drink for the kids

**22.08. Monday/ 29.08.**

09.00 -10.00 Breakfast,

11.00. Departure of the participants

**OPTIONAL – If you stay more days…**

**22.08 Monday / 29.08.**

09.00 -10.00 Breakfast,

10.30 – 14.00 Visiting Struga city (house of Miladinovci brothers, river Crni Drim, Church in Kalsita……),

14.00 – 15.00 Lunch in hotel and free activities,

18.00 – 20.00 Dinner in hotel

21.00. Festival evening in Struga city or Macedonian evening party

**23.08. Thursday / 30.08.**

09.00 -10.00 Breakfast,

10.30 – 14.00 Free activities (sunbathing and swimming in Ohrid Lake, walking in the city square… ) or visiting Vevcani (ethno village) ,

14.00 – 15.00 Lunch in hotel and free activities,

20.00 – 21.00 Dinner in hotel

21.00.- 00.00 Beach party

**24.08 Wednesday / 31.08.**

08.00 – 09.00 Breakfast,

09.00 – 14.00 Departure to Skopje city ( visiting monuments of Aleksandar of Macedon, museum, Macedonian GATE, Stone bridge…)

14.00 Departure from Skopje city

**Participating conditions are:**

* The number of groups participants of the festival are not limited,

- Every folklore group has the right to participate. **Children's ensembles**  (2/3 of the participants must be 16 or younger), **Youth ensembles** (2/3 of the participants must be 25 or younger), **adult ensembles** (1/3 of the participants must be older than 25).

* Festival is consist of two parts: **competitive and non competitive** (the group must emphases on which part on the festival will participate – competition or not competition, it must be more than 5 groups in competition part )
* On the festival may participate children’s, youth and adults folklore groups, modern dance groups, vocal groups, instrumental groups. Age of the participants are not limited.
* rewards for the winners of the festival in value of 300 euro ( festival board and audience will decide which group will be the winner),
* The number of participants are limited (only 3 folk groups from each country for competitive and maximum 3 groups for non competitive),
* Each group should consist of most 50 members including dancers, managers and musicians,
* Ensemble should have prepared at least 2 folk dances, 10-15 minutes each with orchestra or CD. The performances will be in the evening hours so you can plan the day ahead and use it for visiting the historical part of the city and excursions.
* To send short CV and 2 – 3 photos from the group by mail,
* To bring a flag of the country,
* Folklore groups should have there **own transport** for arrival and departure.

**Participation fee:**

**The price for 3\* hotel accommodation is:**

**86 Euro** **for 4 FB** per person ( 4 nights with 3 meals per day (Full Board). )

**83 euro for 4 HB** per person (breakfast and dinner).

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All detailed information will be supply after your confirmation for participations.

In 2014 on this festival participated over 333 participants from 10 countries from Europe.

In 2015 on this festival participated over 365 participants from 11 countries from Europe.

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**Ohrid Struga Choir festival**

**Organizer**

**P FORM OF ATTENDANCE TO THE FESTIVALS**

If you accept conditions on invitation form to participate on the **Macedonian Festivals in Ohrid 2016**, please fill in the form with the information of your organization and send it by E-mail: [mkcoh2001@yahoo.com](mailto:mkcoh2001@yahoo.com) or [ohridfolklor@gmail.com](mailto:ohridfolklor@gmail.com)

**STATEMENT OF ATTENDANCE**

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| Name and address of Group  Name of Authorized Person |  |
| Main activity and number of people in the group |  |
| On which festival you want to participate |  |
| Music:  Live music orchestra or CD |  |
| Sound equipment that is necessary for the concert |  |
| Do you need to change the costumes? |  |
| Address:  City / Country / Region |  |
| Date of arrival: |  |
| Date of departure: |  |
| You are coming with:  Bus, airplane… |  |

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| Telephone: | Fax: | Mobile: |

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| Date: | E-mail:  Web.  Face book page: |
| Signature  and stamp: |  |

***Conditions:***

We as a group accept conditions for this festival that we have on invitation letter.

*Thank you for participating at the festival!*