

REGULATIONS of the International Folklore Festival "Faces of Tradition" Zielona Góra 2025

§ 1 DATE AND VENUE OF THE FESTIVAL

The International Folklore Festival "Faces of Tradition" Zielona Góra 2025 will take place on the following dates:

Arrival: July 5, 2025

Departure: July 12, 2025

1. The Festival will be held in Zielona Góra and other locations within the Lubusz Voivodeship.
2. The Festival is organized by the Regional Center for Cultural Animation in Zielona Góra.
3. The Festival will feature the participation of 6 international ensembles and 1 ensemble from Poland, selected by a committee appointed by the Festival Organizer.

§ 2 PARTICIPATION RULES

1. The application form (**Application Card No. 1**) must be submitted electronically to folklorefestival@rcak.pl by **March 17, 2025**.
2. Upon closure of the application process, the Festival Organizer will select the participating ensembles by **March 24, 2025**, and send invitations to the selected groups.
3. The invited ensembles must complete and submit the necessary documents, received along with the invitation, to the Festival Organizer by **March 28, 2025**.
4. Preference will be given to folklore ensembles with their own musical band.
5. Each ensemble may consist of a maximum of 30 members, including management, musicians, supervisors, and drivers. The decision to invite an ensemble exceeding this limit rests with the Festival Organizer.

Participation costs:

- 1) Ensembles travel at their own expense,
- 2) Accreditation fee per every ensemble member: **50 Euros** for the entire stay,
- 3) Fee for each additional participant exceeding the 30-person limit: **50 Euros** per day,
- 4) The Festival Organizer provides accommodation and meals,
- 5) Qualified ensembles must pay a deposit of 40% of the accreditation fee by March 28, 2025, to the Festival Organizer's bank account.

FESTIVAL ORGANIZER:

Regionalne Centrum Aniimacji Kultury
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65-431 Zielona Góra, Poland

BANK ACCOUNT (EURO):

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BIC (SWIFT CODE): WBKPPLPP

Account Number: PL 45 1090 1535 0000 0000 5317 9372

- 6) Failure to pay the deposit within the specified deadline will be considered as a withdrawal from participation in the Festival.
- 7) The remaining accreditation fee must be paid by **April 14, 2025**.
- 8) If an ensemble fails to pay the remaining amount by **April 14, 2025**, it will be removed from the list of Festival participants.
- 9) Withdrawal from the Festival will result in the loss of the paid deposit, which will be allocated to cover the organizational costs of the Festival.
- 10) The accreditation fee is non-refundable.
- 11) The fee for each additional day of stay before or after the Festival is 50 Euros per person (including accommodation and meals).
- 12) Each ensemble must bring a valid health and accident insurance policy covering travel, stay at the Festival, and departure. This document must be presented to the Festival Organizer immediately upon arrival.
- 13) Ensembles requiring a visa to enter Poland are responsible for obtaining it independently.

§ 3 EVALUATION CRITERIA

1. The Festival is a competition-based event.
2. Artistic programs embedded in traditional rituals reflecting the heritage of the regions and countries of the performers will be preferred.
3. The Artistic Council will evaluate the performances based on the following criteria:
 - 1) Selection of repertoire derived from authentic folk traditions;
 - 2) Inclusion of specific customs and annual or family rituals from the performers' regions and countries;
 - 3) Fidelity to intergenerational transmission of traditions;
 - 4) Use of traditional musical instruments by the bands;
 - 5) Authenticity of traditional costumes, considering age and social status distinctions;
 - 6) Use of original props related to the presented program theme;
 - 7) Compliance with traditional styles in singing, dancing, and music;
 - 8) Ability to evoke emotions on stage corresponding to the nature of the performance;

- 9) Composition of the stage program;
 - 10) Overall artistic expression.
4. During the Festival, participants may consult members of the Artistic Council regarding their artistic program.
5. The decision of the Artistic Council is final.

§ 4 PROVISIONS PROVIDED BY THE ORGANIZER

- 1) Fuel vouchers for ensembles traveling by their own transport, which must be used solely for the Festival program prepared by the Organizer. The reimbursement rate is 30 liters of diesel fuel per 100 km.
- 2) Transportation during the Festival for ensembles arriving by air and on the arrival/departure days from the airports of Zielona Góra-Babimost, Wrocław, Poznań, and Berlin to/from the accommodation site.
- 3) Professional conditions for artistic performances.
- 4) Integration meetings, social events, sports and recreational activities, and sightseeing tours of Lubusz Voivodeship.
- 5) A group supervisor-interpreter.
- 6) Hotel accommodation in Zielona Góra from July 5-12, 2025.
- 7) Full board (meals provided from dinner on the arrival day to breakfast on the departure day).
- 8) Participation prizes, including a statuette, diplomas, and financial awards granted by the Artistic Council as specified in Section 9 of this paragraph.
- 9) Financial awards:
 - 1) First place: 1,000 Euros;
 - 2) Second place: 800 Euros;
 - 3) Third place: 600 Euros;
 - 4) Winner of the International Singing Competition "Singers in Zielona Góra": 250 Euros;
 - 5) Winner of the International Music Competition "Musicians in Zielona Góra": 250 Euros.

§ 5 FINAL PROVISIONS

1. Ensembles are required to participate in all Festival events and remain at the disposal of the Festival Organizer throughout its duration.
2. Each ensemble must prepare 4 gifts for an exchange during meetings with other groups, representatives of the Lubusz Voivodeship, partner municipalities, and the Festival Director.
3. The Festival Organizer is not responsible for the mechanical failure of participants' vehicles.

4. No additional financial compensation will be provided for Festival participation.
5. The Festival Organizer reserves the right to make changes to these regulations and the Festival program.
6. The Organizer reserves the right to adjust the dates and duration of the Festival.
7. Potential changes mentioned in Section 5 of this paragraph may be discussed with the invited ensembles.
8. The Festival will be documented, and the documentation will be disseminated for promotional purposes. No royalties or fees under international copyright law will be granted.
9. The final interpretation of these regulations rests with the Festival Organizer.

§ 6 PERSONAL DATA PROTECTION

1. The submission of Application Card No. 1 and all the other documents constitutes consent to the processing of personal data and image rights.
2. Pursuant to Article 13 of Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and the Council of 27 April 2016 on the protection of natural persons concerning the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data, and repealing Directive 95/46/EC (General Data Protection Regulation - GDPR), we inform you that:
 - 1) The administrator of your personal data is the Regional Center for Cultural Animation with its registered office in Zielona Góra, ul. Sienkiewicza 11, 65-431 Zielona Góra, Poland.
 - b. Your personal data is processed for the following purposes:
 - a. the implementation of statutory tasks of the Administrator,
 - b. participation in the International Folklore Festival,
 - c. building a positive image of the Administrator,
 - d. promotion,
 - e. technical and organizational purposes,
 - f. statistical purposes.
- 3) The legal basis for the processing of personal data is as follows:
 - a. The processing of image data is based on your consent, in accordance with Article 6(1)(a) GDPR.
 - b. The processing of personal data is necessary to fulfill a legal obligation incumbent on the Administrator regarding the documentation of economic events for tax and accounting purposes, in accordance with Article 6(1)(c) GDPR.
 - c. The processing of personal data is necessary for the performance of tasks carried out in the public interest, in accordance with Article 6(1)(e) GDPR.
 - d. The processing of personal data is necessary for the purposes of the legitimate interests pursued by the Administrator in connection with its statutory activities, in accordance with Article 6(1)(f) GDPR.
- 4) Personal data may be disclosed/entrusted only to entities authorized to obtain personal data under legal provisions, as well as to the Administrator's associates and insurance companies in the event of purchasing an insurance policy.

- 5) The Regional Center for Cultural Animation, to ensure security and property protection, uses video surveillance in the area surrounding the building located at ul. Sienkiewicza 11, 65-431 Zielona Góra, as well as inside the Creative Culture Center building. The recording is carried out continuously, 24 hours a day. The retention period of recordings does not exceed 30 days, after which the recordings are overwritten. The retention period of data copied from the recorder's disk may be extended if they are used in ongoing proceedings under legal provisions—until their conclusion. Your personal data (image) will be processed solely for the purposes for which they were collected and may be shared with entities authorized to process them under legal provisions and with entities providing teleinformatics services to the Administrator (based on an entrustment agreement).
- 6) Personal data will be stored for the period necessary to achieve the aforementioned purposes, as well as for archival and statistical obligations and to document the Administrator's activities.
- 7) You have the right to: a. request access to your personal data from the Administrator, b. rectify, delete, or restrict the processing of your data, c. object to the processing of your data, d. data portability, e. withdraw your consent at any time if the processing is based on your consent.
- 8) You have the right to lodge a complaint with the supervisory authority, which is the President of the Personal Data Protection Office.
- 9) The data you provide will not be subject to profiling.
- 10) The data administrator will not transfer your personal data to a third country or an international organization.

§ 7 ORGANIZATIONAL OFFICE

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