THE MALTESE ISLANDS
CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2019

More than we could ever tell
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JANUARY 2019

SLEEPING BEAUTY
Teatru Manoel, Valletta

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VALLETTA BAROQUE FESTIVAL
Teatru Manoel, Valletta

GO SPORT ATTARD 10K
Attard
### SLEEPING BEAUTY
Teatru Manoel, Valletta

3.00pm & 8.00pm

At the christening of Princess Aurora, Maleficent, the evil Fairy, casts a spell on the baby princess. Eighteen years pass and the spell puts Aurora to sleep. Prince Charming, with the help of Dame Nanna Kola and Muddles, fights Maleficent and her whole army to break the evil spell and rid the land of the evil Fairy once and for all.

www.teatrumanoel.com.mt

### A NEW YEAR’S TOAST (7TH EDITION)
Kempinski Hotel, San Lawrenz

7.30pm till 10.00pm

The Gaulitanus Choir musically ushers in the New Year in style with a musical bonanza fittingly featuring lively and bouncy repertoire. The choir, its soloists and friends will participate under the musical and artistic direction of Colin Attard. Entrance is free.

www.gaulitanus.com
WINTER SERENADES
The Grand Ballroom, Phoenicia Hotel
7.30pm till 10.00pm

The term “serenade” originally referred to a musical greeting performed in honour of someone – the image of a lover singing outside their beloved’s window is particularly enduring – but by the classical era, it also came to describe light, tuneful works for instrumental ensembles.

www.maltaorchestra.com

VALLETTA BAROQUE FESTIVAL
Teatru Manoel, Valletta
12.00pm, 4.00pm & 7.30pm
2.00pm, 6.00pm & 9.30pm

The Valletta International Baroque Festival features over ten different musical programmes including operas, concerts, drama and a special children’s fun event. These will be held in various prestigious venues such as the historical Teatru Manoel, St John’s Co-Cathedral, and other venues in Valletta.

www.teatrumanoel.com.mt

IN GUARDIA RE-ENACTMENT
Fort St. Elmo, Valletta
11.00am till 11.45am

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www.visitmalta.com
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INSPIRED BY BAROQUE
Teatru Manoel, Valletta
7.30pm till 10.00pm

In the 2019 edition of the festival, the orchestra will be performing Strauss’ Divertimento based on keyboard pieces by Couperin, Webern’s Passacaglia, a composition by the conductor himself, and Mitropoulos’ reworking of two Baroque masterpieces, by Purcell and Bach.

www.maltaorchestra.com

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GO SPORT ATTARD 10K
Attard
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www.maltamarathon.com

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THE ROMANTIC SYMPHONY
Mediterranean Conference Center, Valletta

8.00pm till 10.30pm

Listening to Wagner’s music inspired Bruckner, then a church musician in a provincial monastery, to start writing symphonies, although ironically, Wagner himself only completed one symphony in his lifetime.

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FEBRUARY
2019

PREMIERES - AMERICAN & MALTESE
Teatru Manoel, Valletta

ARRIVAL THE ABBA SHOW
Republic Hall, Mediterranean Conference Centre, Valletta

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Fort St. Elmo, Valletta

CHANGING OF THE GUARD
St George’s Square, Valletta

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BIRDS IN MUSIC
Robert Sammut Hall, Floriana

MOZART’S GREAT MASS
Metropolitan Cathedral of St. Paul, Mdina

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Fort St. Elmo, Valletta

CARNIVAL Malta & Gozo GIG MALTA

MARATHON
Mdina, Sliema

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AGONES SFC DUATHLON
Coast Road, Baħar iċ-Ċagħaq
FEASTS

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Feast of St Paul’s Shipwreck (Parish Church of St. Paul Valletta)

02
PREFMIRES - AMERICAN & MALTESE
Teatru Manoel, Valletta

8.00pm

Under the direction of Miran Vaupotić, the Malta Philharmonic Orchestra will be premiering two works in a night of Maltese and American music. After opening with the famous overture to Bernstein’s operetta Candide, the orchestra’s own piccolo player Fiorella Camilleri takes on a solo role for a performance of Joseph Vella’s Piccolo Concerto.

www.maltaorchestra.com

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MOZART’S GREAT MASS
Metropolitan Cathedral of St. Paul, Mdina

8.00pm till 10.00pm

The Great Mass is the penultimate musical setting of the mass penned by Mozart, and like its only successor – the Requiem – it was left incomplete by the composer, missing the concluding Agnus Dei section in its entirety. But the parts that were put to paper showcase Mozart at his finest and most ambitious. Written after his wife Constanze’s recovery from a serious illness, the work’s admirers include none other than Pope Francis, who said that the Et incarnatus est passage from the Credo section is “matchless: it lifts you to God.”

www.maltaorchestra.com
FEAST OF ST PAUL’S SHIPWRECK
Parish Church of St Paul, Valletta
All Day

The feast is held in commemoration of the Shipwreck of St Paul on Malta’s shores in 60 AD. (Acts, Luke, 28). According to tradition, St Paul established the first Christian community on the Island. Religious ceremonies and street festivities are held in and around St Paul’s Shipwreck Parish, Valletta over three days. The street celebrations include a solemn procession as well as a joyous one (il-briju) accompanied by festa band marches.

AGONES SFC DUATHLON
Coast Road, Bafar iċ-Ċagħaq
7.00am till 1.00pm

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www.triathlonmalta.org

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www.visitmalta.com
BEAUTY AND THE BEAST  
Malta Fairs and Conventions Centre, Ta’ Qali  
8.00pm till 10.00pm  
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www.mfcc.com.mt

ARRIVAL - THE ABBA SHOW  
Republic Hall, Mediterranean Conference Centre, Valletta  
8.00pm till 11.00pm  
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‘ARRIVAL’ will bring back your memories of the ABBA era, with songs such as the Eurovision winner ‘Waterloo’, through to the haunting sounds of ‘Fernando’ and ‘Eagle’, then back to the toe tapping favourites ‘Dancing Queen’, ‘Take a Chance on Me’ and the ever popular ‘Thank You for the Music’.  
www.mcc.com.mt

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BIRDS IN MUSIC
Robert Sammut Hall, Floriana
7.30pm till 9.00pm

“Michael Laus directs the MPO in a concert featuring works inspired by the most musical of creatures in the animal world. Joanne Camilleri joins the orchestra for a performance of Handel’s Organ Concerto in F major, nicknamed “the cuckoo and the nightingale” for the birdsong motifs present in its allegro movement. Respighi drew on music from Baroque era composers for his Gli Uccelli, but each movement in his suite also seeks to transcribe birdsong as well as other bird actions into music. Haydn’s 83rd symphony earned the nickname “la poule” because of a jerky rhythm in the first movement, evoking the clucking of a hen.”

www.maltaorchestra.com

GIG MALTA MARATHON
Mdina - Sliema
7.00am till 1.00pm

This is the largest race in Malta with over 4,500 participants including 2,400 foreigners. The runners will be entertained by 32 live bands along the route and each finisher receives a participation medal. The race winds itself through various towns and villages.

www.maltamarathon.com

CARNIVAL
Malta & Gozo
All Day

In Malta, the roots of Carnival can be traced back to the early 1400s, although it was the Knights of the Order of St John that endowed the national festivities with spectacle and pageantry.

www.festivalsmalta.com
MARCH

FEASTS

03

TRIATHLON
STANDARD DISTANCE
SEASON OPENER
Malta & Gozo

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COSI FAN TUTTE
Teatru Manoel, Valletta

7.30pm

This is the third of the Da Ponte/Mozart operas, following Le Nozze di Figaro (2017) and Don Giovanni (2018), which Teatru Manoel is producing.

www.teatrumanoel.com.mt
MAHLER’S FIFTH
Mediterranean Conference Centre, Valletta

8.00pm till 10.00pm

“Inchalis Economou directs the MPO for a night of great music from the late romantic period, with the renowned Israeli violinist Guy Braunstein joining the orchestra for a performance of Brahms’ sole violin concerto. Brahms wrote the concerto for his friend and close collaborator Joseph Joachim, who provided constant advice the composer during its composition. Starting with a funeral march and ending with a cheerful finale, Mahler’s Fifth Symphony stands out for its vast emotional range as well as its famous fourth movement, the intimate Adagietto that may well be the composer’s most well-known work.”

www.mcc.com.mt

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GAULITANA: A FESTIVAL OF MUSIC (13TH EDITION)
Various localities around Gozo

The festival features top international and local artists and ensembles in an eclectic programme of events in multifarious styles and genres, including talks and an educational programme. Running for 5 weeks, it is held in various localities around Gozo and ends with an intensive OPERA+ Weekend (April 5-7). Entrance is generally free.

www.gaulitanus.com
MUSIC OF MYSTERY & MAGIC (SCHOOLS’ PERFORMANCE)
Teatru Manoel, Valletta

10.00am & 11.30am

Mysteries and scary stories fascinate children and adults alike, and in this year’s edition of the annual Family Fanfare concert, the MPO will be exploring a dark musical world in an interactive concert under the direction of Robert. Featuring great classical works and iconic soundtracks written to evoke a sense of mystery, magic and fear, such as the Night on Bald Mountain made famous through Disney’s Fantasia and John Williams’ brilliant musical depiction of an approaching shark for Jaws, this interactive concert will help highlight just how strongly the right piece of music can make us feel.

www.teatrumanoel.com.mt

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MUSIC OF MYSTERY & MAGIC
Teatru Manoel, Valletta
5.00pm

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JUM IL-ĦELSIEN
(FREEDOM DAY)
Birgu & Valletta

9.00am till 5.00pm

In March 1979, the last of the British troops left Malta after 180 years on the island. To commemorate this event a ceremony is held at the foot of the Monument tal-Helsien (Freedom Monument), in Birgu on 30th March, the eve the public holiday. A hotly contested regatta takes place in Grand Harbour on 31st March in the afternoon.

www.festivalsmalta.com

GUARD OF HONOUR - JUM IL-ĦELSIEN
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Gaulitana: A Festival of Music (13th Edition)
Various localities around Gozo

Manon Lescaut
Teatro Aurora

In Guardia
Re-enactment
Fort St. Elmo, Valletta

Changing of the Guard
St George’s Square, Valletta

Il-Misteru Tal-Mewt u L-Qawmiien Good Friday Exhibition
Ċentru Parrokkjali San Ġużepp Fladdiem, No. 71 Bwieraq Street, Birkirkara

Malta International Fireworks Festival
Dingli

Malta International Music Festival
Dingli

Nickeleodon
Various Localities

Mellieha AC Duathlon
Dingli

'Lejla Maltija'
Traditional Maltese Night
Gori Mancini Street, Birkirkara

Ħad-Dingli: Ħidma Agrarja u Tradizzjoniċet
Fort St. Elmo, Valletta

Drama / Theatre
Enactments / Pagentry
Music
Religious
Sports
Folklore
Fairs / Exhibitions
National / Public Holiday
Others
Local Council
APRIL

FEASTS

06-07
Festa l-Kbira (Valletta)

14
San Publiju (Floriana)

19
Good Friday
(Various localities in Malta & Gozo)

21
Easter Sunday
(Various localities in Malta & Gozo)

06
MANON LESCAUT
(OPERA BY GIACOMO PUCCINI)
Teatru tal-Opra Aurora,
Victoria

7.30pm till 10.00pm

This operatic production highlights the OPERA+ Weekend, a 3-day cultural bonanza concluding Gaulitana: A Festival of Music. Manon Lescaut returns to the local operatic stage after an absence of 40 years, while Miriam Gauci returns to Gaulitana to perform the title-role after her absolute success in Madama Butterfly in 2017. Featuring a stellar cast, the production will be conducted by Colin Attard, featuring the Malta Philharmonic Orchestra and the Gaulitanus Choir. More info / 77038971; online booking - www.teatruaurora.com

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www.visitmalta.com

www.gaulitanus.com
06-07

FESTA L-KBIRA
Valletta
All Day

Liturgical celebrations in the Parish Church and celebrations in the streets of Valletta.

www.thechurchinmalta.org

11-14

TOUR TA’ MALTA
Various Localities Malta & Gozo
AM

The Tour ta’ Malta is the Tour of Friendship – a four-stage road bike race around Malta and Gozo. Most probably this is the friendliest road race you’ll ever come across in Europe. As the organizers phrase it “The Tour of Friendship” is neither about professional racing nor money – it is all about the love for cycling and to connect cyclists from all over the world.” Though there are no monetary prizes, the top places are still fought over competitively!

www.tourmalta.com
13-17

NICKELODEON
Various Localities
All Day
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Treasure hunt
maltatravelpackages.com

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SACRED UTTERANCES
Robert Sammut Hall, Floriana
7.30pm
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The MPO marks the start of Holy Week with Sacred Utterances, a journey of light and mystery through music in the beautifully atmospheric Robert Samut Hall. An MPO chamber orchestra under the direction of Michelle Castelletti teams up with KorMalta to perform instrumental and choral music by Penderecki, Górecki, Pärt, Barber and Gjeilo in an immersive multidisciplinary and sensory experience as we make our way from darkness to light.

www.maltaochestra.com

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GOOD FRIDAY
Various Localities
Malta & Gozo
5.00pm
-

The traditional Good Friday procession featuring a number of statues representing a scene from the Passion of the Christ.

www.thechurchinmalta.org
MELLIEĦA AC DUATHLON
Dingli

7.00am till 1.00pm

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www.triathlonmalta.org

EASTER SUNDAY
Various Localities
Malta & Gozo

All Day

In contrast to the sombre mood on Good Friday, Easter Sunday is a joyous occasion. The churches are once again festooned with all their gold, silver and damask decorations, the streets are decorated with banners and the statue of the Risen Christ is paraded triumphantly through the streets of many towns and villages. In some of towns, pall-bearers run intervals of some 100m while carrying the heavy statue of the Risen Christ. Pious Christians break their Lenten fast as they celebrate Easter with a rich lunch of lamb. Children are presented with Easter eggs and figolli, almond-filled pastries cut in various shapes.

www.thechurchinmalta.org

MALTA INTERNATIONAL FIREWORKS FESTIVAL
Malta

7.00pm

The Maltese are well known for their love of fireworks and their expertise in manufacturing spectacular displays has won them several international accolades. The 18th edition of the Fireworks Festival is a showcase of the best of Maltese aerial pyrotechnic talent alongside international fireworks companies set against the panoramic backdrops of various localities. Most of the firework displays are synchronised to music.

www.maltafireworksfestival.com
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10.30am

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**MALTA INTERNATIONAL FIREWORKS FESTIVAL**
Gozo

7.00pm

**A SPRING SYMPHONY**
Teatru Manoel, Valletta

8.00am & 9.30am

Schumann initially composed exclusively for the piano, but wrote his first symphony on the encouragement of his wife Clara, a few months after their marriage, and claimed it was inspired by his “spring of love.”

www.teatrumanoel.com.mt

www.maltafireworksfestival.com
ĦAD-DINGLI:
ĦIDMA AGRARJA U TRADIZZJONIJJET
Dingli

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An agricultural feast celebrating rural traditions.

www.sanguzepphaddiem.com

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www.maltafireworksfestival.com
MAY 2019

- MEDIEVAL MDINA FESTIVAL
  Mdina

- MALTA MECHANISED GROUND FIREWORKS FESTIVAL
  Various Localities

- THE XTERRA GOZO TRIALS & MOUNTAIN BIKE CHALLENGE
  Għajnsielem, Gozo

- THE XTERRA CROSS TRIATHLON
  Majjistral Park, Malta

- MALTA MECHANISED GROUND FIREWORKS FESTIVAL
  Various Localities

- MALTA WORLD MUSIC FESTIVAL
  Valletta

- OCEAN LAVA MALTA 113K TRIATHLON
  Bahar ic-Ċaghaq

- THE ARMED MAN
  Mediterranean Conference Center
  Valletta

- LA REMEMBRANÇA
  Robert Sammut Hall
  Floriana

- WORKER’S DAY
  Birgu

- MALTA INTERNATIONAL MUSIC FESTIVAL
  Dingli

- BRAHMS & DVÔRÁK
  Teatru Manoel, Valletta

- CHANGING OF THE GUARD
  St George’s Square, Valletta

- DRAMA / THEATRE
- ENACTMENTS / PAGENTRY
- MUSIC
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- SPORTS
- FOLKLORE
- FAIRS / EXHIBITIONS
- NATIONAL / PUBLIC HOLIDAY
- OTHERS

- LOCAL COUNCIL
ANNIE MAC PRESENTS …
LOST & FOUND
Various Localities

MALTA INTERNATIONAL MUSIC FESTIVAL
Dingli

EARTH GARDEN
Ta’ Qali National Park

BRAHMS & DVÔRÁK
Teatru Manoel, Valletta

CHANGING OF THE GUARD
St George’s Square, Valletta
FEASTS

01
Worker’s Day
San Ġużepp Haddiem (Birkirkara)

19
Santu Wistin (Valletta)

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Trinita Qaddisa (Marsa)

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San Pawl (Munxar, Gozo)

02 - 05

ANNIE MAC PRESENTS
... LOST & FOUND
Various Localities

Lost & Found Festival builds on the success of its first four editions held in Malta. The UK’s legendary dance DJ Annie Mac heads up a hoard of DJs at poolside stages, boat parties and all-night raves.

lostandfoundfestival.com

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MALTA MECHANISED GROUND FIREWORKS FESTIVAL
The Granaries, Floriana

9.00pm

Ground fireworks are a popular Maltese pyrotechnic tradition and form part of the festive celebrations of most localities. Malta’s best pyrotechnic companies vie with one another in a spectacular competition of mechanised fireworks on the second evening of the Feast of St Publius.

www.florianalocalcouncil.com
www.visitmalta.com
04 - 05

MEDIEVAL MDINA
FESTIVAL
Mdina
10.00am till 5.00pm

Two days of re-enactments and pageantry that evoke Malta’s late medieval period (1200 - 1500 AD). Several re-enactment groups perform in various battle scenes and other actions in various points of the town.

www.maltaxterra.com

17 - 18

MALTA WORLD MUSIC
FESTIVAL
Valletta

www.artscouncilmalta.org
THE ARMED MAN
Mediterranean Conference Center, Valletta
8.00pm

Commissioned by the Royal Armouries museum for its millennium celebrations, Karl Jenkins’ The Armed Man is a musical setting of the Catholic Mass which also incorporates other religious and historical sources, including the Islamic call to prayer sung by a muezzin. Put together, these elements create a work which charts a descent into war and all the horror that it brings, as the opening martial themes make way for darker, mournful ones. But the work ends on a hopeful note, auguring for a future in which war and sorrow are overcome.

www.maltaorchestra.com
LA REMEMBRANÇA
Robert Sammut Hall, Floriana
8.00am till 10.00am

Founded in 2016, La Remembrança is formed by soloists and chamber musicians from around the world who enjoy working within an independent and flexible formation. Under the artistic direction of acclaimed flautist Paco Varoch, the ensemble performs a wide repertoire ranging from early baroque to contemporary works.

www.maltaorchestra.com

EARTH GARDEN
Ta’ Qali National Park
7.00pm till 12.00am

Earth Garden is a local green-finger festival that advocates care for the environment through art, music and culture. The festival aims to provide an opportunity for upcoming artistes to share the stage with established local and foreign acts.

www.earthgarden.com.mt

BRAHMS & DVORÁK
Teatru Manoel, Valletta
8.00am till 10.30pm

When Dvorák, then practically unknown, submitted 15 works for a competition, Brahms was so moved that he became his friend and mentor, and was instrumental in ensuring that the world paid notice to the Czech composer.

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EARTH GARDEN
Ta’ Qali National Park

STEVE HACKET LIVE
Republic Hall, Mediterranean Conference Centre, Valletta

SETTE GIUGNO
Valletta

VALLETTA CONCOURS D’ELEGANCE
St George’s Square, Valletta

ABODE ON THE ROCK
Various Locations, Gozo

VALLETTA FILM FESTIVAL
Various Sites in Valletta

GHANAFEST

VALETTA FESTIVAL OF ARTS
Various Locations

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GHANAFEST
JUNE

FEASTS

02
Madonna ta’ Fatima (Gwardamangia)
Il-Lunziata (Ħal Tarxien)
San Ġużepp (Ħal Għaxaq)
Corpus Christi (L-Għasri)

09
San Filippu ta’ Agira (Ħaż-Żebbuġ)

16
Qalb ta’ Ġesu (Floriana)
Madonna tal-Ġilju (l-Imqabba) Santa Katerina (Żejtun)

20
Corpus Christi Procession
(St.Paul’s Parish Church)

23
Qalb bla Tebgha ta’ Marija (Burmarrad)
San Ġorġ (Ħal Qormi)
San Ġwann Battista (Ix-Xewkija, Gozo)
San Pietru u San Pawl (L-Imdina)
San Piteru u San Pawl (In-Nadur, Gozo)

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Madonna tal-Karmnu (Fleur-de-Lys)
Immakulata Kunċizzjoni (Il-Ħamrun)
Madonna ta’ Lourdes (Il-Qrendi)
San Pawl (Ir-Rabat)
Madonna tas-Sacro Cuor (Tas-Sliema)
San’t Andrija (Ħal Luqa)
San Nikola (Is-Siġġiewi)

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STEVE HACKET LIVE
Republic Hall,
Mediterranean Conference Centre, Valletta

7.30pm

www.mcc.com.mt
07

SETTE GIUGNO
Valletta

All Day

This National Holiday commemorates the riots of 7th June of 1919 when thousands of Maltese had entered Valletta to support a meeting held by the National Assembly to discuss radical changes in the administration of the Islands. The crowds turned violent and in the process four persons were killed by British soldiers.

www.festivalsmalta.com

09

TRIATHLON - BSJ SERIE RACE 1
Baħar iċ-Ċagħaq

7.00am till 1.00pm

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www.triathlonmalta.org

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VALLETTA CONCOURS D’ELEGANCE
St George’s Square, Valletta

All Day

The ‘VALLETTA CONCOURS D’ELEGANCE’ is an international event where the finest local and international historic and concours level vintage and classic cars participate together in this Concours d’Elegance.

www.vallettaconcoursdelegance.com
12 - 15

VICTORIA INTERNATIONAL ARTS FESTIVAL
Teatru Astra, Victoria, Gozo

www.viaf.org.mt

14 - 17

ABODE ON THE ROCK
Various Locations, Gozo
12.00pm & 3.00pm

ABODE on the Rock 2019. After what can only be described as an incredible first year... Adobe returns to the beautiful island of Gozo, Malta for ABODE On The Rock 2019.

www.abodeontherock.com

14 - 23

VALLETTA FILM FESTIVAL
Various Sites in Valletta
All Day

“Organised by the Film Grain Foundation, the Valletta Film Festival is Malta’s largest of its kind, showing over 40 feature films and 25 short films. The screening of these films will be at various venues of the capital, e.g. Pjazza San Gorg, Pjazza Teatru Rjal and Fort St Elmo. Masterclasses, conferences and debates shall also held.”

www.vallettafilmfestival.com
21 - 22

**GHANAFEST**

Malta’s best folk singers (ghanjejja) sing their heart out in this long established three-day festival of folk music. Guest folk groups from various Mediterranean countries will also perform.

www.artscouncilmalta.org

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**MPO- MYO JOINT CONCERT**

Pjazza Teatru Rjal, Valletta

9.00pm till 11.00pm

In what has become an annual tradition, the Malta Philharmonic Orchestra and the Malta Youth Orchestra join forces for a spectacular joint concert, which will this year be under the direction of young Hungarian conductor Gergely Madaras. Over 100 musicians will be on stage for an open-air concert in Valletta’s Pjazza Teatru Rjal, which is the highlight of MYO’s concert season and which officially brings both orchestras’ seasons to a close.

www.maltaorchestra.com

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**CHANGING OF THE GUARD**

St George’s Square, Valletta

10.30am

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L-IMNARJA - SAN PIETRU U SAN PAWL

Buskett Gardens, the streets of Rabat and at Mdina Cathedral, Mdina. In Gozo, at Nadur

All Day

Known in Maltese as L-Imnarija, the feast is held in honour of St Peter and St Paul inside Mdina Cathedral. The traditional folklore celebration takes place on the eve of the feast day when crowds of people converge at Buskett from 7pm to spend an evening eating and drinking while enjoying the għana folk music on stage. At the same time there will be an Agricultural Display of competing products. Horse and mule races are held along a peripheral country lane, close to Rabat in the late afternoon.

www.maltaculture.com

AQUATHLON - ST. PATRICK’S

Marsascala

7.00am till 1.00pm

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www.triathlonmalta.org
MALTA INTERNATIONAL ARTS FESTIVAL
Various Locations

This special edition of Malta’s leading arts festival unveils an intriguing programme of high-quality cultural exhibitions and events that engage visitors with the Islands’ rich historical and cultural tapestry. Over the years, the Malta International Arts Festival has established itself as a platform for artistic excellence. The festival is renowned for hosting multidisciplinary works that support diversity, encourage artistic collaboration and strive to forge creative synergy.

Across the festival’s varied programme, artists are encouraged to push boundaries through a wide spectrum of innovative practices and performances – including site-specific curation, music, visual arts, theatre, dance, opera, installations, films, community projects, interactive and participatory events and much more.

www.artscouncilmalta.org

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NATIONAL DUATHLON CHAMPIONSHIP
Mtarfa

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www.triathlonmalta.org
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MALTA INTERNATIONAL ARTS FESTIVAL
Various Locations

WATER CONCERTO
Pjazza Teatru Rjal, Valletta

ISLE OF MTV
Floriana

MALTA JAZZ FESTIVAL
Grand Harbour, Valletta

CHANGING OF THE GUARD
St George's Square, Valletta

MALT AJAZ FESTIVAL
Grand Harbour, Valletta

drama / theatre
enactments / pagentry
music
religious
sports
folklore
fairs/exhibitions
national/public holiday
others
local council
**MALTA MUSIC WEEK**
Various Locations

**MALTA JAZZ FESTIVAL**
Grand Harbour, Valletta

**CHANGING OF THE GUARD**
St George’s Square, Valletta

**UNITE WITH TOMORROW LAND MALTA**
Marsa Sports Ground
FEASTS

07
Il-Lunziata (Hal Balzan)
Madonna tal-Karmnu (Il-Fgura)
Madonna tal-Karmnu (Il-Gzira)
Madonna tas-Sokkors
(Kercem, Ghawdex)
San Guzepp (Hal Kirkop)

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San Guzepp (Il-Kalkara)
San Bastjan (Hal Qormi)
Madonna tad-Dutttrina (Hal Tarxien)
San Gorg (Rabat, Ghawdex)

21
Madonna tal-Karmnu (Valletta)
Santa Margerita (Sannat, Ghawdex)
Madonna tal-Karmnu (Valletta)
San Guzepp (L-Imida)

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Madonna tal-Karmnun
(Il-Balluta, San Giljan)
Sant Anna (Marsascala)
Madonna ta’ Pompeii (Marsaxlokk)
Kristu Re (Paola)
Vizitazzjoni tal-Vergni Marija
(L-Gharb, Ghawdex)
Marija Addolorata
(San Pawl il-Bahar)
San Guzepp (Haz-Zebbug)

06
WATER CONCERTO
Pjazza Teatru Rjal, Valletta
9.00pm till 10.30pm

The MPO’s annual appointment with the Malta International Arts Festival will see it perform a symphonic concert under the direction of Czech conductor Pavel Šnajdr. The concert’s highlight will be Tan Dun’s Water Concerto, written for water percussion and orchestra and featuring percussionist Beibei Wang in the lead role.

www.maltaorchestra.com

09
ISLE OF MTV
Floriana
6.00pm till 12.00pm

The Annual Isle of MTV Malta Special is an MTV Network International production. World-Class, chart-topping artist perform live during a mega-concert in Floriana in front of a crowd of thousands enjoying the show.

www.visitmalta.com
09 - 13

MALTA MUSIC WEEK
Various Locations

In the days leading up to the Isle of MTV concert, G7 Events in collaboration with Malta Tourism Authority will be hosting the Malta Music Week, featuring various activities such as club nights and sunset beach parties headlining international guests.

www.maltamusicweek.com

15 - 20

MALTA JAZZ FESTIVAL
Grand Harbour, Valletta

7.00pm till 11.00pm

The festival presents the myriad of styles which constitute the contemporary jazz world, without surrendering to the complacency of a line-up featuring pop or non-jazz acts, which unfortunately seems to be the norm in several major jazz festivals nowadays.

www.maltajazzfestival.org

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CHANGING OF THE GUARD
St George’s Square, Valletta

10.30am

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UNITE WITH TOMORROWLAND
MALTA
Marsa Sports Ground

Building bridges between Belgium and the rest of the world with a live connection from the Tomorrowland Mainstage, live local and international DJ’s on the UNITE stage and the unique, magical Tomorrowland atmosphere: that is UNITE with Tomorrowland.

An event held in a setting inspired by Tomorrowland (a customized UNITE stage, decoration and special effects) combined with a massive well-curated line-up of local & international artists. It’s more than just a livestream, it’s a unique show that allows you to escape reality.

The live connection with Tomorrowland Mainstage in Belgium gives the People of Tomorrow the chance to connect with the visitors on the holy grounds in Belgium and vice versa. The show in all UNITE With Tomorrowland countries will be live streamed in other countries to enhance the connected feeling. Adding this extra dimension to the event with a live & interactive feed into Tomorrowland, will create a unique event.

3 Mainstage headliners were broadcasted live on a unique UNITE With Tomorrowland stage. Special effects are synchronised with the show in Belgium adding value to the global connection.

www.tomorrowland.com
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Instant vouchers to be claimed online at www.starawardsmalta.com
ANNUAL PYROTECHNIC DISPLAY LA NOTTE DI SAN LORENZO
Kalkara Creek, Grand Harbour

SUMMER CARNIVAL
Marsaskala & Bugibba

JOSEPH CALLEJA CONCERT
Granaries, Floriana
AUGUST

FEASTS

04
San Pietru fil-Ktajjen (Birzebbuga)
San Duminku (Valletta)
San Guzepp (Qala, Gozo) Madonna ta’ Lourdes (San Gwann)
06
Is-Salvatur (Hal Lija)
10
San Lawrenz (Birgu)
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San Lawrenz (San Lawrenz, Gozo)
San Gejtanu (Il-Hamrun)
15
Santa Marija (Various Localities)
18
Sant Elena (Birkirkara)
Stella Maris (Tas-Sliema)
San Leonard (Hal Kirkop)
Madonna ta’ Lourdes (Paola)
25
Madonna ta’ Loretu (Ghajnsielem)
Maria Regina (Marsa)
San Bartilmew (Hal Gharghur)
San Duminku (Birgu)
San Giljan (St. Julian’s)
Konverzjoni ta’ San Pawl (Hal Safi)
San Guzepp (Manikata)

09
ANNUAL PYROTECHNIC DISPLAY LA NOTTE DI SAN LORENZO
Kalkara Creek, Grand Harbour
9.00pm

The 10th August Pyrotechnic Association - Vittoriosa is proud to present its annual pyrotechnic show of fireworks synchronised to music and Maltese traditional multi-crackered and colour shells, all in the magnificent setting of the Grand Harbour. Best viewing location - Vittoriosa Regatta Club.

www.facebook.com/10th-August-Pyrotechnic-Association-Vittoriosa-210235092363897/

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TRIATHLON - CROSS COUNTRY NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP
Coast Road, Baħar iċ-Ċagħaq
7.00am till 1.00pm

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www.triathlonmalta.org
12 - 15

SUMMER DAZE MALTA
Ta’ Qali

The first edition of the Summer Daze festival, organized by the MTA in collaboration with BBC Radio 1, turned out to be a massive success. Around 20,000 people flocked to Ta’ Qali, where stars by the likes of Rita Ora and Martin Garrix stole the show. The MTA estimates that around 68% of those present were tourists or originating from a foreign country. Summer Daze returns for a bigger second edition in 2019!

www.visitmalta.com

14 - 16

GLITCH FESTIVAL
Gianpula Village

6.00pm till 4.00am

Following three successful editions, Glitch Festival is coming back on the 14-16 August with it’s fourth and biggest edition to date. Electronic music enthusiasts from all over the world are once again called to gather at the gates of the mystical House-and-Techno fortress for a sonic adventure on the sun-drenched Mediterranean island of Malta. From rooftop pool parties to secret ancient vaults, boat party mayhem and more!

www.glitchfestival.com

16 - 18

SUMMER CARNIVAL
Marsaskala & Bugibba

All Day

Liturgical celebrations in the Parish Church and celebrations in the streets.

www.arts councilmalta.org
JOSEPH CALLEJA
CONCERT
Granaries, Floriana

7.00pm till 11.30pm

The island’s annual staple Joseph Calleja concert and national spectacle will take place on the 24th August at the Granaries in Floriana.

Home-grown leading and grammy-nominated lyric tenor Joseph Calleja will once again join musical forces with World renowned tenor Andrea Bocelli, famed for having one of the most beautiful voices on the planet.

www.showshappening.com
GUARD OF HONOUR JUM L-INDIPENDENZA
St John’s Square, Valletta

GUARD OF HONOUR JUM IL-VITORJA
Misraħ l-Parroċċa, Mellieħa

TRIATHLON - BSJ SERIES RACE 4 - NATIONAL SPRINT TRIATHLON CHAMPIONSHIP
Coast Road, Baħar iċ-Ċagħaq

VICTORY DAY
Vittoriosa

ATTARD 5K
Attard

INDEPENDENCE DAY
FEASTS

01
San Girgor (Sliema)
Santa Katerina (Zurrieq)
It-Twelid tal-Madonna/Maria
Bambina (Naxxar, Senglea, Mellieha,
Xaghra (Gozo). Regatta in Grand
Harbour, Valletta

08
Madonna tal-Grazzja (Zabbar)

08
GUARD OF HONOUR -
JUM IL-VITORJA
Misraħ Il-Parroċċa, Mellieha
9.00am

Il-Vitorja (Victory Day) commemorates
three historic events, primarily the
victory of the Knights of St John
ending the Great Siege against the
Turks in 1565; the rebellion against
the French troops occupying Malta in
September 1800; and the surrender
of Italy in 1943. The regatta held in
Grand Harbour in the afternoon is the
second major one of the year after the
Freedom Day regatta races held on
31 March. The hotly-contested races
feature the same traditional boats
that used to ply Grand Harbour in
yesteryear.

www.festivalsmalta.com
08

TRIATHLON - BSJ SERIES
RACE 3
Coast Road,
Bahar iċ-Ċaghaq

7.00am till 1.00pm

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www.triathlonmalta.org

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GO SPORT ATTARD 5K
Attard

7.00am till 1.00pm

www.maltamarathon.com

21

JUM L-INDIPENDENZA (PUBLIC HOLIDAY)
Valletta

All Day

Official ceremonies are held in Valletta and Floriana in front of the Independence Monument to commemorate the anniversary of Malta’s independence from Britain in 1964. A march past by the Armed Forces is held and the President of Malta is given the salute. High Mass is held at St John’s Co-Cathedral.

www.festivalsmalta.com
GUARD OF HONOUR - JUM L - INDIPENDENZA
St John’s Square, Valletta

10.30am

The Changing of the Guard is a ceremony where the New Guard replaces the Old Guard by forming up, facing each other, and the Sergeant of the Old Guard hands over the Presidential Palace door key to the New Guard Sergeant. The key symbolizes the handling over the Presidential Palace Guard duties. The Armed Forces of Malta will season this ceremony by performing a musical display.

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BSJ SERIES RACE
4 - NATIONAL SPRINT TRIATHLON CHAMPIONSHIP
Coast Road, Bahar iċ-Ċaghaq
Morning

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www.triathlonmalta.org

ELROW
Numero Uno, Ta’ Qali

Following Barcelona, Dubai, Madrid, New York, Ibiza, Shanghai and the United Kingdom, the electronic music festival – Elrow – which includes similar atmosphere found in a circus, will be held at Uno Malta in Ta’ Qali. Known not only for electronic music but also for colourful atmosphere, the Elrow festival which has toured the world will be organized in Malta in the middle of September. The festival brings over to Malta popular DJs of House and Techno music. The Elrow festival, which originated from a 150-year old concept of entertainment of dancing and music, started in 2010 and won various international awards.
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10.30am

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ŻEJT IŻ-ŻEJTUN
Żejtun

Żejt iż-Żejtun is a festival celebrating the traditional ancient culture of the town of Zejtun. The festival opens with the blessing of olives which have just been harvested. The evening programme is full of musical entertainment and typical Maltese food. On Sunday morning, the blessing of animals is held in front of the old parish of San Girgor.

www.zejtunlocalcouncil.com
FEASTS

06
Madonna tac-Cintura (Valletta)
Madonna tar-Ruzarju (Gudja)
Madonna tac-Cintura (Gudja)

05

NOTTE BIANCA
Valletta
6.00pm

The annual one-night spectacle of music, theatre and the arts lights up the streets of the capital city Valletta. Palaces and museums throw open their doors all night long to host an extensive programme of concerts, visual arts exhibitions, dance and theatre performances. The entertainment spills out onto the open spaces of Valletta. All events are free. Cafes and restaurants will be open until late with further food stalls dotted around the city.

www.artscouncilmalta.org

11 - 13

BIRGUFEST - BIRGU BY CANDDELIGHT
Birgu (Vittoriosa)
9.00am

“BIRGUFEST 2019 will be held between the 11th and the 13th of October 2019. The sixteenth edition is intended to be no less reputable than its previous ones. The extensive programme incorporating the ‘Birgu by Candlelight’, coupled with the participation of foreign cultural groups, are a guarantee that those attending the four-day event will experience events of a high degree.
This is a festival appealing to different segments of the population and visitors to the Island. A visit to Birgu during the Festival will be an experience not to be missed.

The 2019 edition kicks off on Friday 11th October with schoolchildren visiting places of cultural and historical interest in Birgu during the morning and will include the Maritime Museum, the Auberge of France, the Inquisitors Palace and the Churches of St. Lawrence, the Annunciation and St. Anne of the cloistered nuns convent of St. Scholastica. Open for the public will also be the Church Museum of St. Lawrence and the Cloister of the Dominican Friars respectively.

On Saturday 12th October apart from the spectacular evening Candle lit City, renowned performers will be roaming about the narrow winding streets entertaining the street audiences. Concerts in churches and street musicians will participating during the evening in several street corners.

Traditional lace makers will be posted in different streets in the city core to show off their traditional and talented workmanship.

Sunday should be wholly a family treat, a day spent out in Birgu. One can spend the day from dawn to dusk by visiting places of interest, attending mass, dine at one of the many outlets in the city core or on the seafront. Throughout the festival, stalls will be selling delicious snacks available to quench the thirst and hunger of the many visitors who will once more choose to visit Birgu during the Festival while enjoying themselves to four packed days of cultural life. The Birgu Local Council invites you to join the local population in this wonderful experience whilst enriching the historical and cultural knowledge about the City of the Knights and its contribution to the national development of the Maltese Islands along the centuries.

www.birgu.gov.mt

TRIATHLON - BSJ SERIES
RACE 3
Coast Road,
Baħar iċ-Ċagħaq

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www.triathlonmalta.org
THE ROLEX MIDDLE SEA RACE
Starting Point
The Grand Harbour
10.00am

The annual Rolex Middle Sea Race is a 606-nautical mile race that starts with a spectacular send-off from Valletta’s Grand Harbour. The yachts head northwards to circumvent the whole island of Sicily. The course of the yacht race also takes in the Italian Aeolian and Egadi Islands, as well as Pantelleria and Lampedusa.

www.rolexmiddlesearace.com/race/

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St George’s Square, Valletta
10.30am

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CHOCOLATE FESTIVAL
Ħamrun

6.00pm till 11.00pm

A chocolate festival will be held along the streets of Ħamrun. It is said, although no documentation has been found that could confirm this, that during the rule of Gran Master Perelos, cocoa beans were stored in Ħamrun, specifically in the area known as ‘tas-Samra’.

This event will bring together traditions from the past and will blend them with innovative uses of chocolate as an ingredient for food and art. One will therefore have the possibility to indulge in, and buy, various chocolate treats as well as enjoy live entertainment.

www.il-hamrun.com
GUARD OF HONOUR
JUM IT-TIFKIRA
St George’s Square, Valletta

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THE THREE PALACES
Valletta

INTERNATIONAL
CHOIR FESTIVAL
Floriana

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EHE MALTA EIGHT BALL
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THE THREE PALACES
Valletta

Three concerts held in three different historical buildings featuring a varied repertoire.

www.artscouncilmalta.org

07-10

INTERNATIONAL CHOIR FESTIVAL
Floriana

“The Malta International Choir Festival is open to various categories of choirs who will participate in a competitive or non-competitive level. The festival will present some of the best choirs from Europe to sing classical, secular, sacred and folk music, amongst other genres. The festival performances and competitions will take place in various locations, ranging from theatres to churches as well as in Valletta’s outdoor venues.”

www.visitmalta.com

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GUARD OF HONOUR - JUM IT-TIFKIRA
St George’s Square, Valletta

9.00am

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EXPRESS TRAILERS ŻURRIEQ HALF MARATHON Żurrieq

7.00am till 1.00pm

A flat and fast course for Malta’s 3rd largest 10K race.

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DECEMBER

FEASTS

08
Il-Kuncizzjoni (Bormla)

08
IL-KUNĊIZZJONI (FEAST AND PUBLIC HOLIDAY)
Bormla (Cospicua)

All Day

Liturgical and street celebrations in the Parish Church of Bormla as well as throughout the city.

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GUARD OF HONOUR - JUM IR-REPBBLIKA
St George’s Square, Valletta

9.00am

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REPUBLIC DAY

Valletta

On the 13th December 1974 the Maltese Constitution was amended and Malta became a Republic. Sir Anthony Mamo was chosen to be its first President.

www.festivalsmalta.com

URBAN JUNGLE MDINA
2 SPINOLA XMAS ROAD RACE

Mdina - Spinola

7.00am till 1.00pm

This is the 2nd largest race in Malta after the Malta Marathon and the oldest one retaining the same route since at least 1979. The course has a 190m drop. Chip timing is used for results and each finisher is awarded a commemorative medal.

www.maltamarathon.com