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| **Markučiai Manor Museum events** | | | | |
| ***December 2023*** | | | | |
|  | **DATE** | **TIME** | **NAME OF THE EVENT** | **TICKET PRICE** |
|  | **2023-12-02** | **14:00** | **Christmas tree lighting celebration in Markučiai Park**  Organisers: Markučiai community, Ribiškės community  The project is funded by Vilnius City Council and the Ministry of Social Security and Labour of the Republic of Lithuania. | The visit is free of charge.  Place: Markučiai park |
|  | **2023-12-03** | **12:00** | DAYS OF VARVARA  **Presentation of the Markučiai Manor Museum book**  **"Markučiai Manor Family Album"**  This album contains iconographic material - photographs from the personal family archives of the owners of Markučiai Manor, the Melnikovs-Pushkins. The collection of photographs illustrates the history of the development of photography since the mid-19th century, and tells the story of trips to European countries, ceremonial events of four generations of the Melnikov family, and the warm hospitality of the Markučiai Manor.  The book will be available at a discount during the event.  The event will be held in Russian and Lithuanian. | Free event.  Places are limited.  Registration is required:  [renginiai@markuciudvaras.lt](mailto:renginiai@puskinas.lt) |
|  | **2023-12-10** | **13:00**  **(in Russian.);**  **15:00**  **(in Lithuanian)** | THE TRADITIONS OF THE OLD MANOR  **Secrets of the Old Manor: an excursion into the world of 19th-century magic**  People have always wanted to have at least one eye on the future. Ancient fortune-telling rituals helped them to do so. Spells were cast in many different ways - with the help of cards, wax, water, mirrors, candles and many other objects.  We invite you to visit the Markučiai Manor Museum and immerse yourself in the mystical atmosphere of witchcraft, ask a question about your destiny and find out the answer, which will be revealed to you by the museum's exhibits and its staff.  13:00 - excursion in Russian    3 pm - excursion in Lithuanian | Event ticket price – 5,00 €  Places are limited.  Registration is required:  [renginiai@markuciudvaras.lt](mailto:renginiai@puskinas.lt)  **Please specify your preferred group when registering (1pm or 3pm).** |
|  | **2023-12-16** | **10:00** | **Workshop with papercutting**  **"Imagination as a guest"**  Organiser - Ribiškės community  The project is funded by Vilnius City Council and the Ministry of Social Security and Labour of the Republic of Lithuania. | Free event.  Places are limited.  **Registration will be announced** on the community's Facebook account (<https://www.facebook.com/RibiskiuBendruomene> )  **3 days before the workshop.** |
|  | **2023-12-17** | **12:00;**  **14:00** | MARKUČIAI MEZZANINE  Christmas performance for children by Menulis Theatre  **"Female Santa Claus and the Snow Cloud"**  When Santa Claus went on holiday to warm countries, he took all the snow clouds with him so that he could return by sleigh on a snowy road. Only trouble is, the snow clouds have melted, and without them the reindeer can't pull their Christmas sleigh.  Alone at home, female Santa Claus tries her best to get ready for Christmas: wrap presents, bake lots of ginger cookies, knit warm socks, decorate the tree, and summon snow clouds. Oh, that there would be someone to help her... Luckily, a whole bunch of children (the audience) walked by, so with the help of them and one more special guest, Santa not only reminds us of the true meaning of Christmas, but also makes sure that Christmas visits every home.  The performance is in Lithuanian.  Duration: 45 min. | Event ticket price – 5,00 €    Places are limited.  Registration is required:  [renginiai@markuciudvaras.lt](mailto:renginiai@puskinas.lt)  **Please specify your preferred group when registering**  **(12 or 2pm.)** |
|  | **2023-12-30** | **14:00** | MUSICAL LIVING ROOM  **Concert of the Romances Salon "Melos"** | Free event.  Places are limited.  Registration is required:  [renginiai@markuciudvaras.lt](mailto:renginiai@puskinas.lt) |
|  |  |  | **EXHIBITIONS** |  |
|  | **2023-11-01 – 2023-12-31** |  | **Lithuanian cultural heritage:**  **Markučiai Manor** | The visit is free of charge.  Place of exhibition:  Markučiai park |
|  | **2023-11-23 – 2024-01-05** |  | **Travelling Icons of Ukrainian homes**  The exhibition features icons from the 19th and early 20th centuries that decorated the interiors of homes in various regions of Ukraine: Podolia, Severia, Padnyeprye, Polesia, Cherkasy Oblast, and Hutsulʹshchyna. These icons came from the Museum of Ukrainian House Icons and Antiquities "The Spirit of Ukraine", which was founded in the Radomysl castle (Zhytomyr Oblast, Ukraine). During the war, when the cultural and artistic treasures of Ukraine were threatened, the aim was to move some of the museum's exhibits to Lithuania. The exhibition is dominated by images of the Holy Knight-Fighters, embodying the idea of victory over lies, evil and abomination. The distinctive tradition of creating traveling altars is commemorated by three exceptional objects in the exhibition - three-part flip icons.  Exhibition partners: A. Baranauskas and A. Vienuolis-Zukauskas memorial museum, Museum of Wooden City Architecture | Entrance with museum ticket:  Adults - 3 €  Pupils, students,  seniors - 1,50 € |
|  |  |  | Outdoor exhibition in Markučiai Park  **Lithuanian cultural heritage:**  **Markučiai Manor**  **(Literary Museum of Alexander Pushkin)**  Exhibition spaces:   1. History of the Markučiai Manor House 2. Ecology of the park and forest 3. The history of St. Barbara's Chapel | The visit is free of charge.  Place of exhibition:  Markučiai park |