



## SEVEN TOWERS FESTIVAL

*Presenting the best world and folk music in spaces created by Hungarian architect Imre Makovecz*

*6-21 November 2021*

*9 'ringing houses' in Hungary and beyond, 70 artists, 7 exhibitions, 14 concerts, round table discussion, dance house and light painting*

**LENDVA/Lendava (Slovenia) – KAKASD – BAK – SZÁZHALOMBATTA – MAKÓ – SÁROSPATAK – KOLOZSVÁR/Cluj-Napoca (Romania) – DUBAI – BUDAPEST**

Seven Towers Festival will be held this year between November 6th and 21st, taking the best world music and folk music to Imre Makovecz's spaces. The series of events presents 9 'ringing structures', 70 artists, 7 exhibitions, 14 concerts, conference, round table discussion, dance house and light painting in Hungary and beyond.

Imre Makovecz died ten years ago, but his memory and brilliance lives on through his legacy. This year we organize Seven Towers Festival honoring his work in Hungary and surrounding countries. 2021 marks the tenth Seven Towers Festival filling Makovecz's spaces within and without Hungary's borders with the best world and folk music.

The festival's mission is to bring outstanding Hungarian folk and world musicians to people in Hungary and Hungarians in neighboring countries, highlighting the organic connection between music and architecture. In addition to the concerts - architectural exhibitions and professional discussions pay tribute to Imre Makovecz's life-work, legacy and influence. Contemporary workshops that are using folk art of the Carpathian Basin as their point of departure will also be introduced.

The Seven Towers Legend appears repeatedly in Hungarian cultural history. The treasure of the Seven Towers appears in peasant culture of the Carpathian Basin and is alive in our collective memory and creativity; the legacy of our great predecessors is concealed in the towers of Vienna, Kosice, Munkács, Brashov, Novy Sad, Zagreb, Maribor. The Seven Towers Festival opens this year in Lendva/Lendava, Slovenia, continuing at the speed of sound to Kakasd, Bak, Százhalombatta, Makó, Sárospatak in Hungary and to Kolozsvár/Cluj Napoca in Romania. The

online space will help the organizers create a bridge and strengthen connections between the locations.

**Huun Huur Tu** will perform at the opening concert in Lendva/Lendava, Slovenia. **Meybahar** and **Ötödik Évszak** will be in Kakasd. **Resti Kornél, Branka Trio** and **Guessous Mesi Trió** will perform in Bak. There will be a concert by **Tárkány Trio** followed by **Szabó Balázs' Band** in Százhalombatta. **Ephemere Duó** and **Bagossy Brothers Company** will perform at Hagymaház in Makó. **Laposa Julcsi** arrives with a children's concert to Sarospatak where **Palya Bea** will perform later on. **Herczku Ági and Banda** will give a concert in Kolozsvár/Cluj Napoca, Romania.

This year Seven Towers Festival travels also to the **Hungarian Pavilion of the World Expo in Dubai, UAE**. Makovecz' student Lőrinc Csernyus designed the Hungarian pavilion in Dubai and is also the organizer the festival's architectural events. **Lajkó Félix and Szalonna Duet** will give a concert at the Hungarian Pavilion in Makovecz' memory. The closing event in Dubai will be a concert by **Lajkó Félix and Volosi**.

Continuing our tradition, on November 20th Makovecz' birthday we will place a wreath at the plaque in his memory in Budapest - Villányi út 8. On the same day, a **Gala Concert** closing the festival will be held in **Budapest** at the **National Dance Theatre**. The theatre-concert in two acts honors Imre Makovecz – performing: Duna Dance Ensemble, Novák Péter and Etnofon, Duna Symphonic Orchestra. Conductor: Makovecz Pál.

More information:

*További információ: <https://www.hettoronyfesztival.hu>*