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The Craftland Music Festival at Foteviken Viking Museum

Theme for this years EU project Craftland was music. Fotevikens Museum along with Vellinge Municipality organized a big music festival where groups from Lithuania, Poland and Sweden played music from medieval times to jazz and pop. The festival began with Vellinge Music Corps marching from the Library in Höllviken to Foteviken, after that it was full steam all day. The music festival was hosted by lokal painter and musician Ronnie Holmberg.

The festival's performers were:

Vellinge Music Corps (Sweden)
Grupa Radnyna (Poland)
Bellman, Winblad & Movitz
Grupé Karčema (Lithuania)
Alligator Gumbo (Sweden)
Taube Choir in Scania (Sweden)
JazzCaptains (Sweden)
The Ukulele Orchestra Of Sweden
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Already the evening before we jumped the gun with a sing-along evening

It blew a bit much but otherwise it was a nice evening. Locals, museum staff and our friends from Poland and Lithuania had a picnic and sang the classic Swedish sing-along songs. Sing-along leader was Ronnie Holmberg and friends, who with their humor, music and beautiful singing overcame the wind.



Grupė Karčema from Lithuania were inspired and played some of their own songs.



For those who did not have their own picnic food could buy food from Ragnar and Kinn.

A field trip to Lund

On Friday the groups from Poland and Lithuania went on a field trip to Lund, Skåne's oldest city, founded in the year 990 AD.

Lund became an episcopal see in 1060, subordinate to the Archbishop

of Hamburg-Bremen. In the year 1103 Bishop Anscar became appointed by the pope to the archbishop over Scandinavia, seated in Lund, he had the cathedral in Lund built during the first half of the 1100s. 1085 the Cathedral

School was founded, and is thus the oldest school in Scandinavia. Between 1134 and 1137, Lund was the capital of Denmark when King Erik Emune ruled the land.



According to legend, the giant Finn should have built the Cathedral and at the same time made a bet with a monk. If the monk did not find out his name before the church was finished, he would give the giant his eyes. Just when the last stone was laid in place the monk came running and shouted the giant's name. The monk had heard a giant woman singing to her children, and in the song she mentioned both the monk's eyes and dad Finn. The giant was very angry about his defeat. He went down to the crypt, grabbed a pillar to demolish the church. But right at that moment, he was turned to stone and shrank additionally slightly. You can see the giant Finn embrace a pillar in the crypt of the cathedral in Lund. The column is from when the cathedral was built, so maybe the legend true...





Vellinge Music Corps opened the festival when they came marching from Höllvikens library followed by



Grupa Radnyna playing medieval music from Eastern Europe.



Bellman, Winblad & Movitz was playing music by Carl Michael Bellman the Swedish National poet and troubadour from the 1700s.



Grupė Karčema, in addition to their own songs, the band played well-known Lithuanian popular songs and classics.



Alligator Gumbo played traditional and self-written Cajun music in a way that is true to tradition. The vocals was sung in Louisiana French.



Taube Choir in Scania was singing songs of our Swedens most beloved national poet, Evert Taube, the poet who invented the Swedish summer.



JazzCaptains played music derived from the 20/30's and can be called happy jazz or swing with many well-known songs



The Ukulele Orchestra of Sweden played popular pop and rock songs from the 60's 70's, but on the ukulele.



It was a gorgeous late summers day, the breeze from Friday had subsided, the sun was shining and the temprature was warm and comfortable.

The festival ended with Choir singing with everyone on stage. The song that was sung was "Open Landscape" by Ulf Lundell, one of Sweden's most popular

writers and rock musicians, our own Bruce Springsteen. The song was sung first in Swedish then in English and Polish to end with a Lithuanian version.

The music inspired some of the people to dance.



Pruszcz Gdański

The lead partner is the City of Pruszcz Gdański - a part of the Tricity agglomeration, only 10 km from the centre of Gdańsk. It is an important industrial, service, commercial, educational and cultural centre. Pruszcz Gdański occupies an area of 16,5 km² with over 26 thousand inhabitants.

The roots of the settlement in the Pruszcz area date back to the 6th century B.C. The advantageous localization made it possible for Pruszcz to develop very fast and increase its commercial importance. Most of the merchants'

expeditions following ancient. A reconstructed ancient amber trade village from the Roman influence period (Faktoria) was opened in July 2011.

Faktoria consists of: The Chief Hut – museum exhibition, the Market Hall – place of meetings with live archeology and reconstructions of The Blacksmith Hut and The Amber Craftsman Hut. It is a perfect place for outdoor events, happenings and artistic ventures. It is also the venue for the cross-border events within Craftland project.

Silute

Silute District Municipality is a long-term partner of Pruszcz Gdański with a common EU project history. It is in the western part of Lithuania Republic, near the Baltic sea Curonian Lagoon. Silute is region where humans and water creates life. Silute will organise the Crafts and Folk Festival in 2012. Other travelling events that will take place in Silute are the City Tournament and Festival Market. The events in Silute will contribute to prolonging the tourist

season in the region as they will take place in May. We will be responsible for promotion of the project in Silute and contributing to promotion in the whole South Baltic area. The representatives of Silute will take part in all project events organised by other partners in order to share experience and know-how and introduce good practices in their home

Vellinge

It is with great pleasure we welcome you to the south western corner of Sweden. We neighbour the famous Öresund bridge which means we are within easy reach of many lovely cities for excursions such as Malmö, Lund, Ystad, Copenhagen as well as the rural Söderslätt area.

We offer activities for all ages and interests. You can choose to play golf at any of our five golf courses or enjoy the white, sandy beaches all along the rim of the Näset isthmus and beautiful

nature. Experience the spectacular bird migration during the fall together with birdwatchers from all over the world. Search for amber along the coastline of the Baltic Sea.

The Viking Reserve at Foteviken is a unique historic experience. During the summer months the Viking Reserve not only attracts tourists but also Vikings dressed enthusiasts from near and far. Or visit the Falsterbo Horse Show, a major annual event that attracts horse-enthusiasts from all over Europe.



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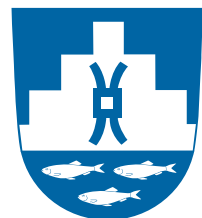


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