

Monument House Concert Series
Sunday 13 December 2009
Doors open 16:30 for 17:00 concert

Afternoon a lá rus with Russian harpist Maria Pozdnyakova



Enjoy a “gezellig” afternoon with classical harpist Maria Pozdnyakova on Sunday 13th December in Merrenna’s herenhuis in Lombok Utrecht

Doors open at 16:30 with tea, coffee or glühwine served in a special glass mug of the Monument House Concert Series, yours to keep! Music begins at 17:00. After an hour of Glinka and other treasures of harp music, we invite you to share sparkling wine and delicious cakes. Maria can tell fortunes for those, who dare ask their fate after the concert!

The idea is to make us all feel like in old times and look at each other not from a computer screen or over a newspaper but actually take time and communicate in style of the handwritten letter age. In Russia, we had this tradition to have so-called salóns at the houses of nobility, where outstanding performers, philosophers, and writers would be invited to share their gifts with other people in a casual setting. They would admire exotic foods and wines but mostly – intellectual conversation and harmony of music. The conversation part is up to you, but the musical part will be provided for by Maria, who has a mixed program of solo harp music.

Coming from Russia, Maria dedicated her life to playing harp from young age and still enjoys it very much. She has been studying in the Netherlands for four years now and will be obtaining her Master’s Degree from Utrecht Conservatory in June 2010. During this time, she earned a certain reputation, when people say – “just ask Maria, she’ll play everything you write, no matter the difficulty,” and has been referred to by Concertgebouw orchestra principal harpist as “virtuoso player.” But luckily, virtuosity is just a means by which musical expression is achieved!

Founded in 2006 by musicians Anne Ku and Robert Bekkers, the **Monument House Concert Series** introduces live “art” music to local audiences in an intimate and relaxed setting of a private home. These concerts provide wonderful opportunity to hear the young talents of today. All events are solely audience-supported with no outside funding. More information at <http://www.pianoguitar.com/concerten/>

To reserve: please e-mail merrennafrench@yahoo.com as soon as possible.

€15 for the concert and drinks, including glass mug, payable in advance by bank transfer or cash to Merrenna. Only pre-payment will guarantee you a comfortable seat!

Location: JP Coenstraat 115c 3531 ER Utrecht

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Free parking anywhere in this area. Bus number 4 stops near the big church on Kanaalstraat. Nine other buses stop on Vleutensweg nearby. It’s a short walk from Utrecht Centraal Station from the west-side exit at Beatrix Theatre/Jaarbeurs going north and turning left on Kanaalstraat. The house is located on the right (east) side of JP Coenstraat, north of Kanaalstraat but south of Vleutensweg in Lombok, just few blocks away from the Museum Café. The herenhuis is a private nonsmoking, no outdoor shoe venue.

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