

Kaunas 2022
European Capital of Culture



Act I:

The Confusion

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Kaunas “Akropolis” (II floor)
(Karaliaus Mindaugo pr. 49)

The Central Post Office of Kaunas
(Laisvės Avenue 102)

COVID-19-related restrictions

During the event, it will be mandatory to comply with the current Covid-19 regulations, including keeping physical distance and wearing face masks.

Only persons with the National Certificate or equivalent documents will be able to enter the event area.

The
Contemporary Myth
of Kaunas
Trilogy.
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FUSION

2022

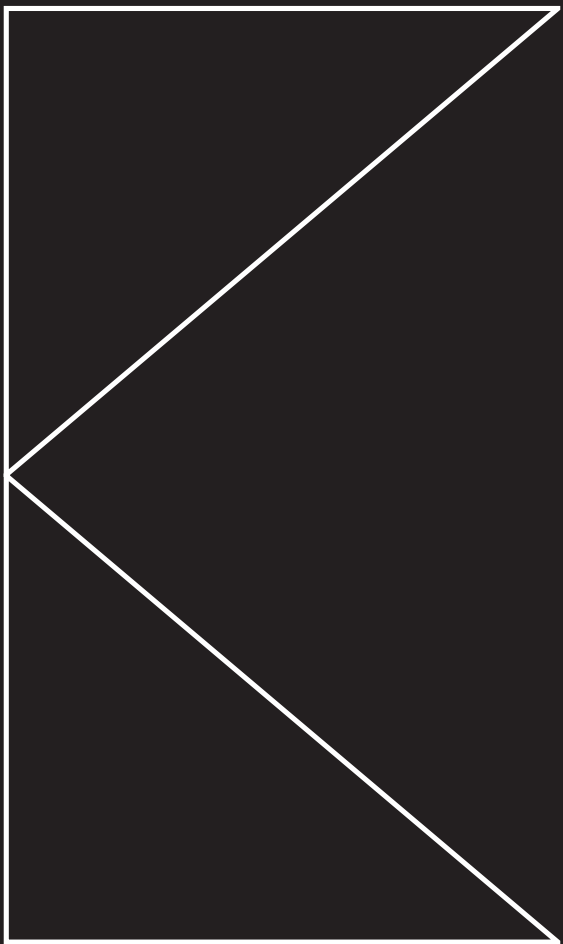
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THE CONFUS

It began with a dream. It was a dream of a cosy, exciting and homey city. A deep Kaunas, hiding secrets and shining with an intriguing present. Of all of us, creating and destroying, rising and falling – us, the genuine people of our city. Similar yet different.

The trilogy of the myth of contemporary Kaunas is made up of this body of the city – the Beast's rising, appearing and coming to terms with it. It is a journey through the three major events of the European Capital of Culture, as if through the three stages of human life: understanding who I am, accepting myself as I am, and happily being with myself as I am.

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JANUARY 19-21

**WITH FIERY STEPS TO-
WARDS THE GOAL**

INTRODUCTORY OPENING EVENTS IN KAUNAS CITY AND DISTRICT

From Čekiškė to Palemonas, from Šilainiai to Aleksotas – the inauguration of the year of the Capital of Culture will be lit up in the outermost districts of Kaunas district and will step-by-step reach the city centre. The artistic accents will become the heralds waking up the Mythical Beast of Kaunas. Residents are invited to join the musical percussion miniatures dedicated to the Mythical Beast and perform them with professional musicians. Just bring sounding objects that everyone can find at home – even pots and buckets will do! In the opening events, choirs and ensembles will join together for the ritual of awakening the Mythical Beast of Kaunas, and memorable moments will be illuminated by a mysterious light and fire shows (Participants: Arkadijus Gotesmanas, Ritmas kitaip, Viduramžiai.lt).

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Circles of Light in Kaunas District

01 19

7:30 pm-8:45 pm

Vandžiogala (at the parking area nearby the church, ,
Kaunas district)

Čekiškės (the yard of Pranas Dovydaitis gymnasium,
Mokyklos street 4, Kilovos village, Čekiškės, Kaunas
district)

Piliuona (T. Masiulio street 4, Kaunas district)

Circles of Light in Kaunas District

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7:30 pm-8:45 pm

Garliava (Alyvų street 17, Kaunas district)

Akademija (Marvos Fort, Miško street, Akademija,
Kaunas district)

Domeikava, Lietuvos kankinių skulptūrų parkas
(Bažnyčios street 10, Kaunas district)

Circles of Light in Kaunas City

01 21

7:30 pm-8:45 pm

Petrašiūnai (Palemonas gymnasium, Marių street 37,
Kaunas)

Aleksotas ("T-Factor", Europos pr. 67, Kaunas)

Šilainiai (Santarvės park, Žiemgalių street 9, Kaunas)

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Other activities

13th Kaunas Biennial “Once Upon Another Time... gyveno jie jau kitaip”

11 am–7 pm (House of Basketball, Santakos street 11)

11 am–5 pm (A. A. Žmuidzinaičius Creations and Collections Museum, V. Putvinskio street 64)

10 am–6 pm (Kaunas Tadas Ivanauskas Museum of Zoology, Laisvės Avenue 106)

11 am–6 pm (VMU Arts Gallery “101”, Muitinės street 7)

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Exhibition “MagiC Carpets Landed”

10 am–5 pm

Kaunas Picture Gallery (K. Donelaičio street 16)

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Kaunas Railway Station (M. K. Čiurlionio street 16)

Exhibition “Stories of the House”

10 am–5 pm,

Historical Presidential Palace of the Republic of Lithuania in Kaunas (Vilniaus street 33)

Paid

Interactive art installation

3 pm–7 pm

Kaunas Vincas Kudirka Public Library (Laisvės Avenue 57)

January 22

THE CONTEMPORARY
MYTH OF KAUNAS TRILOGY.
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Grand opening show:

THE CONFUSION

7:30 pm

Nearby Žalgiris Arena
(Karaliaus Mindaugo pr. 50)

Watch the LIVE broadcast on LRT television, lrt.lt Mediateka and on www.kaunas2022.eu, the official Facebook and Youtube pages of Kaunas 2022

Hundreds of people from Kaunas, Lithuania and abroad have worked for this evening for several years. It will be a show that Kaunas has not seen since its foundation – a fusion of contemporary music, giant video projections and poetry that tells the story of the city as a living, constantly renewing miracle. The aim of this event, unique and ambitious in idea and scope, is to involve everyone and anyone in the city's creative uprising. Those who won't be able to attend will be invited to watch the opening broadcast everywhere across the European Union and worldwide and to use inspiration to build a new post-pandemic future.

As the show reaches its climax, the programme will spread in Kaunas and invite everyone to immerse themselves in a unique game of Mythical Beast on the city streets. Look for a special game map!

January 22

RAISING THE CURTAIN OF
THE CITY
OPENING EXHIBITIONS AND
PARTNER EVENTS

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Dozens of Kaunas 2022 programme creators and partners are preparing for the weekend of the first part of the Contemporary Myth of Kaunas Trilogy. The city's museums, galleries, showcases and completely unexpected spaces will open up to art and culture and invite everyone to discover new exhibitions, refreshing installations, spectacular performances, and exclusive sneak peeks to the premieres that will take place only later in 2022.

- All-day long** Exhibition "Lithuanian Design: From Temporary to Contemporary"
Various locations: Kaunas City Center
- All-day long** Car installations
Facade of Kaunas Interrogation Isolator (A. Mickevičiaus street 11), Hotel Moxy Kaunas Center (Maironio street 21), Kaunas Garrison House (A. Mickevičiaus street 19)
- 5:30 pm–12 am** International exhibition "Modernism for the Future 360/365"
Kaunas Central Post Office (Laisvės Avenue 102)
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- 5:30 pm - 10 pm** William Kentridge's Exhibition "What We Don't Remember"
National M. K. Čiurlionis Museum of Art (V. Putvinskio street 55)
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- 8:30 pm–9 pm** Light and video installations based on film "Folds/Pleats"
Romuva cinema (Laisvės Avenue 54)
"Pienocentras" building (Laisvės Avenue 55)
- 8:30 pm–11 pm** Ice sculpture installation and dance performances
Nepriklausomybės square

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PARTNER EVENTS

8:30
pm–11 pm

Audiovisual performance
KTU II Palace (K. Donelaičio street 20)

8:45 pm–
11 pm

Kaunas Cantata
Windows of cafés on Laisvės Avenue
(Laisvės av. 79, Laisvės av. 86, Laisvės
av. 85, Laisvės av. 90)

8:30 pm–
11 pm

Live installation of light and choral
music
Kaunas Christ's Resurrection Basilica
(Žemaičių street 31A)

8:30 pm–
01 am

Sonic Fire
Vienybės Square

8:30 pm–
01 am

Sleeping Beast
V. Putvinskio street

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10 am–10pm

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ded”

Kaunas Picture Gallery (K. Donelaičio street
16). Paid

Kaunas Railway Station (M. K. Čiurlionio
street 16)

11 am–6 pm

Exhibition “Arno Funk[tionalism]”
A. and P. Galaunė House-Museum (Vydūno
alley 2)

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- 12 pm–4 pm **Yoko Ono's installation "Ex It"**
Bank of Lithuania in Kaunas
- 3 pm–6 pm **Experiential installation
"First Stop: Little Paris"**
Bar "Mažasis Paryžius" (K. Donelaičio street 42-1)
- All-day long **Educational workshop "Animation
Laboratory of V. Starevičius"**
10 am–11 am; 11:30 am–12:30 pm; 1 pm–2 pm
Kaunas State Puppet Theatre (Laisvės
Avenue 87A)
Registration is required: 8 647 83137
- 11 am
2 pm **Theatrical tour of Kaunas Bien-
nial**
Meeting point: Soboras (Laisvės Avenue,
Kaunas)
Registration for the tour:
info@kaunas.biennial.lt
- 4 pm–6:30 pm **Exhibition by Martine Feipel and
Jean Bechameil (LU)**
Gallery "Meno parkas" (Rotušės square 27)
- 4 pm and 5 pm **Interactive performance
"Uprising"**
Kaunas Cultural Centre (Vytauto pr. 79)
- 10 am–5 pm **Exhibition of My(s)thical Crea-
tures "The Brotherhood of the
Beast of Kaunas"**
K. Donelaičio street 8
- 12 pm–3 pm **Interactive Role-Playing Game
"Larp"**
K. Donelaičio street 8
Registration: www.kvb.lt
- 12 pm–1:30 pm **Street performance by
"PinoKeys"**
Meet at the yard of Kaunas City Chamber
Theatre (Kęstučio street 74A)

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- 4 pm–10 pm Performance and installation
“Commandant’s Bunker / to the
Contemporary Fortress”
Perkūno alley 2A (follow the directions at Par-
odos street and Vytautas park)
- 12 pm and
4 pm Performance “Silence? It’s Okay...”
Kaunas Artists’ House (Putvinskio street 56)
- 3 pm Dance workshop and perform-
ance “Contemporary Heroes”
Kaunas Cultural Centre (Vytauto pr. 79)
- 12 pm–5 pm Workshop “The Carpet of the
Mythical Beast”
Kaunas Cultural Centre (Vytauto pr. 79)
- 2 pm–6 pm Interactive art installation
Kaunas Vincas Kudirka Public Library (Lais-
vės Avenue 57)
- 1 pm
1:20 pm
1:40 pm Performance “Butoh. Movements
of Memory”
The underground passage of Kaunas Railway
Station (M. K. Čiurlionio street 16)
- 3:30 pm
4:30 pm
5:30 pm Concerts “Music Art Deco”
Kaunas State Philharmonic (E. Ožerškienės
street 12)
Registration: www.kaunofilharmonija.lt
- 4 pm–11 pm Light and Sound Mystery
The building and garden of Kaunas State
Musical Theatre (Laisvės Avenue 91)
- 4 pm–5:30 pm Poetry and music synthesis
“Loud Words”
Vytautas Magnus University,
Main hall (S. Daukanto street 28)
- 8:30 pm–
10 pm Performance of music and aerial
acrobatics
Kaunas “Akropolis” mall (Karaliaus Mindaugo
pr. 49)

11 am–4 pm

Exhibition “Stories of the House”

Historical Presidential Palace of the Republic
of Lithuania in Kaunas (Vilniaus street 33)

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4 pm–6 pm

**The Novi Sad Avant-Garde Exhi-
bition**

Kaunas Gallery (Vilniaus street 2)

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Bank of Lithuania (Maironio street 25)
- 4 pm–11 pm **Light and Sound Mystery**
The building and garden of Kaunas State Musical Theatre (Laisvės Avenue 93)
- 12 pm–5 pm **Workshop “The Carpet of the Mythical Beast”**
Kaunas Cultural Center, Small hall (Vytauto pr. 79)
- 5 pm–9 pm **Experiential installation “First Stop: Little Paris”**
Bar “Mažasis Paryžius” (K. Donelaičio 42-1)
- 2 pm–6 pm **Improvised Music Workshop**
Kaunas Artists’ House (V. Putvinskio str. 56)
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