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Act II:

The Confluence

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Info tents:

Kaunas Town Hall square  
May 20 3:00 p.m.–11:00 p.m.  
May 21 10:00 a.m.–11:00 p.m.  
May 22 10:00 a.m.–8:00 p.m.

Kaunas Castle surroundings  
May 20 3:00 p.m.–11:00 p.m.  
May 21 10:00 a.m.–11:00 p.m.  
May 22 10:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m.

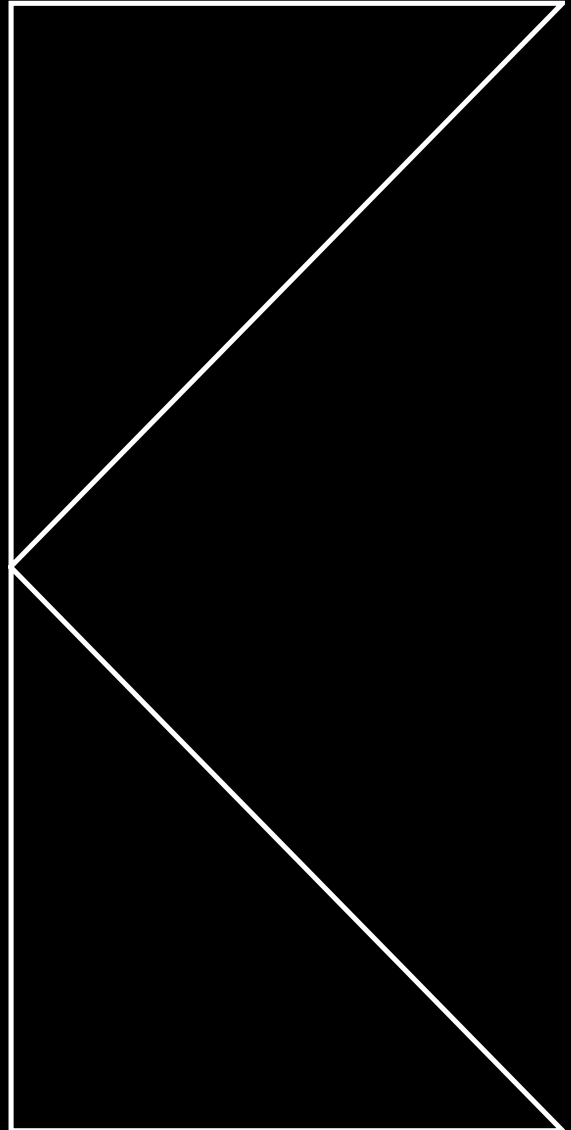
# The Contemporary Myth of Kaunas Trilogy. Act II: THE CON- FLUENCE

# 2022

# 05.20–22

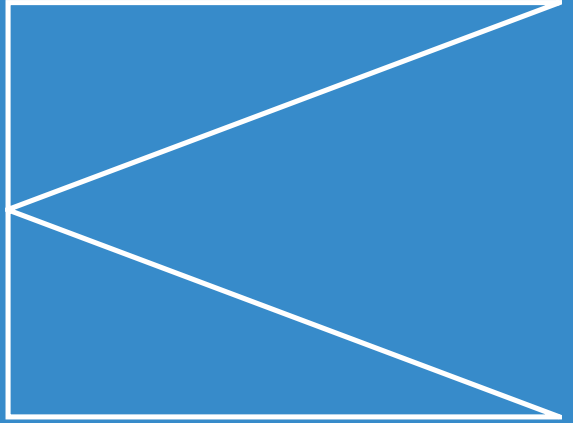
Kaunas, born in the embrace of two rivers, the Nemunas and the Neris, will be celebrating its birthday in a very special way this year – the grand weekend of The Confluence, the second act of the Contemporary Myth of Kaunas Trilogy, is about to begin.

This time, the city will be addressing its inhabitants in the language of water, inviting them to seek out intersections, convergence, connectedness, and – most importantly – for a communion with themselves and others. Kaunas’s dream of returning to the river will finally come true. In its waters, we will be searching for peace. Caught in the river’s stream, we will be swept up in the whirlwind of events. We will ripple through the Kaunas district until, engulfed by streams of water, we will cover the whole city with splashes of culture. We will be celebrating unity: first and foremost, with ourselves, then with those around us, and finally with the city and the whole world. The Confluence will invite everyone to dive into three days brimming with unexpected experiences, video and audio journeys, encounters with culture and your own self.



# MAY 20th

# FRIDAY



This is an extraordinary day and, without a doubt, one that is dedicated to the birthday of Kaunas city! From the rhythms of music to Kaunas's longest table of neighbours, everything will fit into the first day of The Confluence's events, in preparation for the whirlwind of activities and experiences that will be swirling into action over the weekend. The 20th of May will start in Santakos Park, testing the synergy of air and altitude, the temperature will climb as you wander through the labyrinth of installations, and in the afternoon the city and the district will be rocked by concerts and performances. In the evening, the main event of the day – the Courtyard Festival – will await all Kaunas residents and guests. Once it's over, all you have to do is relax at the Summer Stage, which will kick off with gentle guitar rhythms, gradually fading into nocturnal electronic sounds.

# 05.20

8:30-14:30 **Yoko Ono's installation "Ex It"**  
Bank of Lithuania in Kaunas  
(Maironio street 25)  
Organiser: Contemporary Art Centre

10:00-18:00 **Exhibition: "1972. Breaking Through the Wall"**  
Former Kaunas Central Post Office  
(Laisvės Avenue 102)  
Curator: Rasa Žukienė  
Organiser: "Kaunas 2022"  
Paid

10:00-18:00 **Exhibition "Memory of Being" by Marina Abramović**  
Kaunas Picture Gallery  
(K. Donelaičio street 16)  
Organiser: Gallery "Meno parkas"  
Paid

10:00-18:00 **Exhibition "That Which We Do Not Remember" by William Kentridge**  
National M. K. Čiurlionis Museum of Art  
(V. Putvinskio street 55)  
Curator: Virginija Vitkienė  
Organiser: "Kaunas 2022"  
Paid

10:00-17:00 **Exposition "Stories of the House"**  
Historical Presidential Palace in Kaunas  
(Vilniaus street 33)  
Paid

10:00-18:00 **International Puppet Theatre Festival "Kaunas Puppet 2022"**  
Kaunas State Puppet Theatre, various locations

# 05.20

12:00-20:00 **Exhibition „Kaunas–Vilnius: Moving Mountains“**  
MO Museum (Vilnius),  
Temporary M. K. Čiurlionis Art Gallery (Kaunas)  
Author of the exhibition concept – Tomas Vaiseta  
Curators and co-curators of the exhibition: Justina Juodišiūtė, Kotryna Lingienė, Ernestas Parulskis, Miglė Survilaitė, Rasa Žukienė  
Paid

15:00-00:00 **Slackline experience**  
Santaka Park

15:00-20:00 **Traditional craft fair**  
Kaunas Castle square

15:00-00:00 **Labyrinth/brain-teaser by "Espectacle Spectacular"**  
Kaunas Castle surroundings

18:00-22:00 **Courtyard Festival**  
Laisvės Avenue

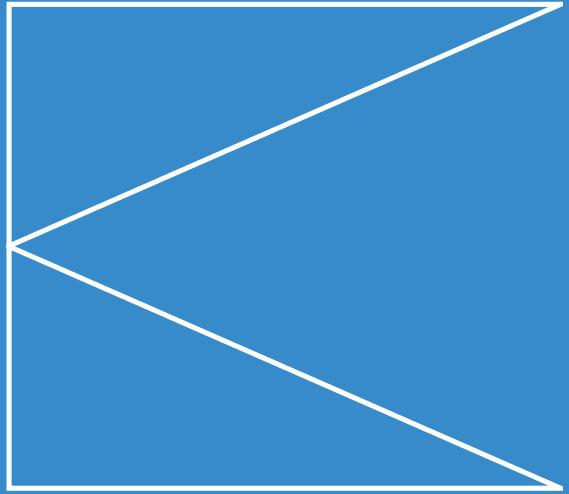
18:00 all-day long **Tooth of the Mythical Beast of Kaunas**  
A. Jakšto and Jonavos street intersection, pedestrian island

19:00-01:00 **Summer Stage**  
Kaunas Town Hall square

20:00-00:00 **Music stage**  
Santaka Park (stadium)

# MAY 21ST

# SATURDAY



The second day of The Confluence's events invites you to escape to the city once again. This time, "Let's Celebrate the River!" will bring Kaunas residents and guests to the water. Participants will be travelling along the Neris and the Nemunas in canoes, boats and even makeshift rafts, and various educational activities will be run on the riverbanks. Those who would rather not get wet will be tempted by a craft fair, performances for the whole family and even blood-chilling tightrope walks. In the evening, the whirlwind of events will reach its culmination: "The Confluence" – the second act of the Contemporary Myth of Kaunas Trilogy – will begin, presenting to its audiences a mystery on the water that has never been seen in Lithuania before. An unforgettable spectacle awaits!

# 05.21

## “The Confluence” show

22:00–23:00  
Santaka Park

Welcome to the “Confluence” show – the most anticipated event of the second act of the Contemporary Myth of Kaunas trilogy. Indeed, at the very confluence of the rivers Nemunas and Neris, we will be searching for peace and celebrating unity. A special performance on the water, never before seen in Lithuania, will invite Kaunas residents and city guests to admire a unique show with multiple boats, animated projections featuring the rivers, and live orchestral music tempting to sink into a dream...

# 05.21

- 10:00–02:00 **Slackline experience**  
Santaka Park, P. Vileišio and Vytauto Didžiojo bridges
- 10:00–18:00 **“The Street Beast: a tooth for a tooth”: 3x3 basketball tournament**  
Santaka Park, basketball court
- 10:00–18:00 **Exhibition “That Which We Do Not Remember” by William Kentridge**  
National M. K. Čiurlionis Museum of Art (V. Putvinskio street 55)  
Curator: Virginija Vitkienė  
Organiser: “Kaunas 2022”  
Paid
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- 10:00–18:00 **Exhibition “Memory of Being” by Marina Abramović**  
Kaunas Picture Gallery (K. Donelaičio street 16)  
Organisers: “Meno parkas”, “Kaunas 2022”  
Paid
- 10.00–16.00 **Community cultural route “Let’s Celebrate the River!”**  
Nemunas and Neris rivers and their banks, various locations
- 11:00–15:00 and 17:00–20:00 **Creative experience town of „Santaka”**  
Kaunas Castle surroundings

# 05.21

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11:00–16:00 **Exposition “Stories of the House”**  
Historical Presidential Palace in Kaunas  
(Vilniaus street 33)  
Paid

11:00–21:00 **„UNITY SQUARE JAM“**  
Vienybės Square

11:00–18:00 **International Puppet Theatre Festival “Kaunas Puppet 2022”**  
Kaunas State Puppet Theatre,  
various locations

11:00–18:00 **Yoko Ono's installation “Ex It”**  
Bank of Lithuania in Kaunas  
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12:00–20:00 **Labyrinth/brain-teaser by “Espectacle Spectacular”**  
Kaunas Castle surroundings

12:00 **Theatre show “Plain Bob”**  
Kaunas Castle surroundings

13:00 and 15:00 **Theatre show “Asteroid”**  
Kaunas Castle surroundings

12:00–20:00 **“Sauna Steam”**  
Santaka Park

12:00–21:00 **Street Music Day**  
Laisvės Avenue

12:00–16:00 **Art Island: plein air painting**  
Neries Krantinės Park

12:00–16:00 **Music and Education Island**  
Area next to the P. Vileišio bridge

12:00–16:00 **Sports and Games Island**  
Panemunės Beach, A. Smetonos alley

12:00–16:00 **Art Island: boat workshops**  
Close to Panemunės bridge

12:00–16:00 **Performing Arts Island**  
Žemieji Šančiai beach

12:00–21:00 **Artists' Square**  
M. Valančiaus street square

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Paid

13:00–18:00 **Putvinskio Street Day**  
V. Putvinskio street

16:00 **Cie Basinga performance “Open Lines”**  
Kaunas Castle surroundings

14:00–02:00 **Summer Stage**  
(break – 22:00–23:00)  
Kaunas Town Hall square

18:00–22:00 **Music Stage**  
23:30–01:00  
Santaka Park (stadium)

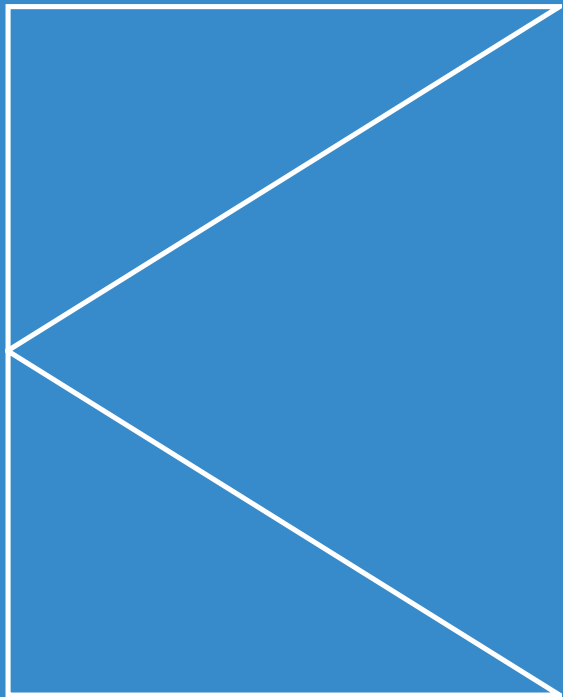
All-day long **Tooth of the Mythical Beast of Kaunas**  
A. Jakšto and Jonavos streets intersection, pedestrian island

23:55 **Sculpture of Kaunas Beast**  
“Žalgiris” Arena Bridge at the Carmelite Church or on the cycle path along the quay



# MAY 22ND

# SUNDAY



The rivers have run their course, the frenzied night has passed. But we want to feel yesterday's emotion once again, so the rich programme of "The Confluence" will keep us from going home for a little bit longer. On Sunday, routes for lovers of contemporary art and culture will meander between the exhibition "1972. Breaking through the Wall", and the retrospectives of William Kentridge and Marina Abramović. A kite festival will bring you into nature, a traditional craft fair will tempt you with delicacies, and those who want to see a new and unique attraction in Kaunas will enjoy the opening of the Nemuno7 dredger-boat.

# 05.22

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| 10:00–20:00 | <b>Slackline experience</b><br>Santaka Park   | 11:00–18:00     | <b>International Puppet Theatre Festival “Kaunas Puppet 2022”</b><br>Kaunas State Puppet Theatre, various locations |
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| 10:00–17:00 | <b>Traditional craft fair</b><br>Kaunas Castle square   | 13:00           | <b>Theatre show “Asteroid”</b><br>Kaunas Castle surroundings  |
| 11:00–17:00 | <b>“Kaunas Resuscitates”.<br/>First aid training</b><br>Santaka Park  | 16:00–20:00     | <b>Summer Stage</b><br>Kaunas Town Hall square  |
| 11:00–19:00 | <b>“Sauna Steam”</b><br>Santaka Park  | 16:00           | <b>Cie Basinga performance<br/>“Open Lines”</b><br>Kaunas Castle surroundings                                       |
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# 05.22

## Kaunas district

15:00–21:30 **Kite festival “Between land and sky”**

Muziejaus gatvė 1, Zapyškis

21:30–23:00 **“Nemuno7” grand opening**

Zapyškis, left bank of Nemunas river

# 05.20–22

## Game of the Beast

Your mission is to turn Kaunas into a contemporary city. You are going to need superpowers for that. They will be provided by the events in “Santaka” and the members of the Beast community waiting there. The more superpowers you have, the better present you will get.

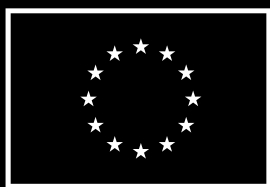
The masks of the Beast necessary for the game are waiting for you in info-centres of “Santaka”:

- Laisvės al. 36 (office of “Kaunas 2022”)
- Info in tents: at the entrances of the Town Hall Square and the Castle

Get the special mask and join the Community of the Beast! The game will be taking place throughout the weekend.

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