

NEWSLETTER

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The festival season will be drawing to a close after the summer. In this Preview, festivals from the festival campaign have been marked *. For further information on the festivals, please see www.amsterdamfestivals.com.**

Uitmarkt Amsterdam ***

The Uitmarkt Amsterdam is the national opening to the cultural season which, true to tradition, is held in the last weekend of August, this year from 26 to 28 August 2011 on Museumplein, Leidseplein and in the Vondelpark. The Uitmarkt provides a unique combination of music, theatre and other cultural activities. With over 450 free performances on 30 stages, 500,000 visitors are given a preview of the coming season. From ballet to hip hop, from theatre to jazz.

Further information: www.uitmarkt.nl
- Amsterdam



Havenfestival IJmuiden ***

The annual Havenfestival IJmuiden (IJmuiden Harbour Festival) is a cultural and nautical festival taking place on 27 and 28 August 2011. The festival features a variety of activities in addition to the boats, including street theatre and art.

Further information: www.havenfestivalijmuiden.nl
- IJmuiden harbour

Nederlands Theater Festival ***

The Nederlands Theater Festival (Dutch Theatre Festival) will be putting on the best shows of the year from 1 to 11 September 2011. These are shows that have been selected by the official panel of judges and nominated for the theatre awards known as the AVRO Toneel Publieksprijs and the Gouden Krekel. On the final day of the festival, at the Gala van het Nederlands Theater (Gala of Dutch Theatre), the awards will be presented. Besides shows there will be debates, master classes, workshops, lectures and parties.

Further information: www.tf.nl
- Various theatres, Amsterdam

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Valtifest

Valtifest is a unique urban festival that will be held on an old industrial estate close to the centre of Amsterdam on 3 September 2011. It is always held on the first Saturday of September, as a result of which it has proclaimed itself to be the closing event of the festival season. Valtifest provides room for wild creativity, lunacy, avant garde music, fashion and all the trimmings. Further information: www.valtifest.nl
- NDSM shipyard, Amsterdam



Almere Haven Festival

It is no longer possible to imagine Almere Harbour without Almere Haven Festival (Almere Harbour Festival). This year the eleventh edition will be held from 2 to 4 September 2011. The harbour basin is the backdrop for this convivial and musical event. There is something for everyone: There is something for everyone: the classical Harbour Basin Concert (free entry), wandering around the bric-a-brac and antiques market, or watching the sturdy fishing boats sail. Almere Haven Festival is one to see with family and friends. Further information: www.almerhavenfestival.nl
- Almere Harbour

Feestweek Aalsmeer

4 to 10 September 2011 is de Feestweek Aalsmeer. The Feestweek came about due to different organizers of various festivities in and around Aalsmeer deciding to join forces and centralize the organization of the festivities. The Feestweek consists of a very varied package of festivities, including a fair, a flower parade, a variety of performances, a nostalgic film evening, a large klaverjas tournament, a historical flower race, a praam (type of flat-bottomed boat) race and a Miss Praam contest. Further information: www.feestweek.nl
- Centre of Aalsmeer



HISWA te water

HISWA te water (HISWA on the water) is Europe's most comprehensive boat show on the water, which this year will be held from 6 to 11 September 2011. Visitors on the quayside will be able to enjoy the 'dazzling' array of some 450 luxury sailing boats, cabin cruisers, sports boats and sloops. The boat show distinguishes itself clearly from other national and international water sports shows by sticking to a minimum length for boats on show of seven metres. Sail and mast makers, yacht dealers and deck gear suppliers will be presenting in marquees on the quayside. Each

year the boat show provides dozens of Dutch, European and global firsts.

Further information: www.hiswa.nl/hiswatewater

- Marina Seaport, IJmuiden

Open Monumentendag On 10 and 11 September 2011 the theme of the 25th Open Monumentendag (heritage days during which listed buildings are open to the public) will be 'Old Building - New Use' and will be about new ways of using these buildings. Providing listed buildings with new functions is in close keeping with the mission of Open Monumentendag: both entail attention being paid to preservation, as well as development in a new form. In many towns and cities listed buildings have been given a new function in order to preserve them. On Open Monumentendag the link is made between listed buildings and their new function, new significance, or even new environment.

Further information:

HYPERLINK "http://www.openmonumentendag.nl" www.openmonumentendag.nl

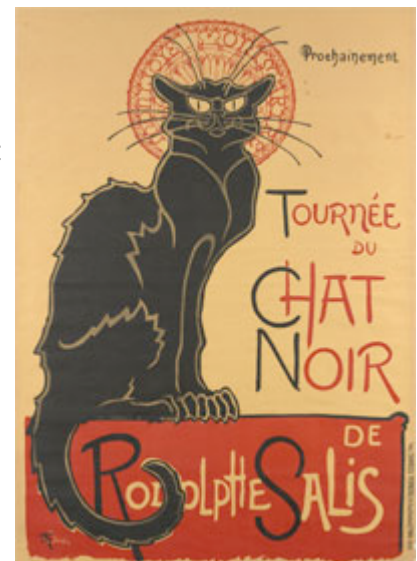
- Velsen/IJmuiden aan Zee

Van Gogh museum - Uitgaan in Montmartre

The exhibition 'Going Out in Montmartre, Café and Theatre in Prints' can be seen until 11 September 2011. The exhibition provides an impression of the blooming artistic climate at the end of the nineteenth century. The Parisian district of Montmartre was a centre of artistic innovation. Van Gogh lived there from 1886 to 1888 and associated with the avant-garde. Using posters, prints and theatre programmes from people like Henri de Toulouse-Lautrec, Théophile-Alexandre Steinlen and Henri-Gabriel Ibels, the exhibition shows how the artists who inspired Picasso portrayed the nightlife in the artists' district. Also on show are a few works that Vincent van Gogh produced in Montmartre.

Further information: www.vangoghmuseum.nl

- Van Gogh Museum, Amsterdam



Jopenfestival Haarlem

This annually recurring historic event in Haarlem's 'Jordaan', i.e. on Nieuwe Kerkplein in the Vijfhoek, will take place on 11 september 2011. Beer and traditional handicrafts take centre stage at this festival. The Jopenfestival stems from the celebrations on the occasion of Haarlem's 750th anniversary. There will be fun for all. The event will feature (among other things) people in traditional dress as well as a genuine mediaeval wood turning mill. There will also be live music and antiques being sold. What's more, Jopen beer (after which the festival is named) will be given out. Since time immemorial, this beer has been Haarlem's trademark, but nowadays it is a collective name for a variety of local beers brewed in the traditional manner.

Further information: www.jopenfestival.nl

- Haarlem



Nationaal Oldtimer Festival The Nationaal Oldtimer Festival (National Antique Cars Festival) on 11 september 2011 offers a day in which the splendour of a bygone age will be the centre of attention. Whether you're a fan of antique, classic, modern, prestige, pre-war, vintage or exclusive cars, the Nationaal Oldtimer Festival has it all. het Nationaal Oldtimer Festival biedt het allemaal. Thus classic car owners can book a free-driving session, take part in the Concours d'Elegance, show off their classic car on the paddock, participate in the slalom and plenty more besides.



Further information:
www.nationaaloldtimerfestival.nl
- Circuit Park, Zandvoort

LelystART

The Lely fête will be held from 16 to 18 September 2011 and is a succession of street theatre with dance, music, mime and variety performances. The event, which is free to attend, is being organized on the occasion of the anniversary of the birth of the engineer who gave his name to the town, Cornelis Lely. Cornelis Lely.

Meer informatie: www.lelystart.nl

- Stadhuisplein, Lelystad



Jordaanfestival

This large street fair taking place in the Amsterdam district of Jordaan from 16 to 18 September 2011 is a real all-rounder. Plenty of local music and various activities connected with a theme, as well as performances from unknown artists and residents of Amsterdam. The festival, which has been put on for more than fifty years, is a tradition stemming from the Liberation.

Further information: www.jordaanfestival.nl

- Jordaan, Amsterdam

Hermitage - Rubens, Van Dyck & Jordaens

From 17 September 2011 to 16 March 2012 the Hermitage Amsterdam will be exhibiting an impressive selection from the Hermitage St. Petersburg's collection of Flemish art. An overview of 75 paintings and around 20 drawings, including numerous masterpieces from the big three of the Antwerp school, Peter Paul Rubens, Anthonie van Dyck and Jacob Jordaens, as well as works from a variety of equally well-known contemporaries. With 17 paintings and a large number of drawings, plenty of attention will be paid to Peter Paul Rubens (1577-1640) in the exhibition. After all, he was the most important, most gifted and most influential seventeenth-century Flemish painter.

Further information: www.hermitage.nl

- Hermitage, Amsterdam



Dam tot Damloop

The Dam tot Damloop (Dam to Dam Race) on 18 September 2011 is the largest and one of the most fun running events in the Netherlands. The race runs from Dam Square in Amsterdam to the Dam in Zaandam, covering 10 miles (16.1 km). The entire event also contains a mini run for children, a race for wheelchair users, a fitness run and the largest business run in the world.

Further information: www.damloop.nl
- Zaandam

StrandZuid

Between Amsterdam RAI and the Beatrixpark a special urban beach will be created From 1 April to 25 September 2011. As if by magic, an area of over 2,000 m² has been transformed into a sandy beach on the harbour side of the RAI. Complete with hammocks, deckchairs and terraces, StrandZuid has been fully kitted out like a genuine beach resort. There is a beach volleyball field, showers and a variety of activities for children.

Further information: www.strand-zuid.nl
- RAI, Amsterdam

Noorderparkfestival

On the back of previous successful years, this year the sixth edition of the Noorderparkfestival will be 10 & 11 September 2011. No expense is being spared this year, with a varied programme replete with music and dance shows for young and old. These will include performances of hip hop, sentimental songs, world music and youth theatre. The festival will take place in the future Noorderpark, comprising the current Florapark and Volewijkspark.

Meer Informatie: www.noorderparkfestival.nl
- Florapark

Harley Dag Haarlem

This unique festival will be held at the Veerplas (lake to the east of Haarlem) on 18 September 2011. It will be the fifth edition organized by the Harley Dag Haarlem foundation. The Veerplas in Haarlem is a delightful recreation spot. For one day the area is transformed into a festival ground by and for Harley fans. You are welcome even if you don't have a motorcycle. Further information: www.hellsangelshaarlem.com

- Veerplas recreation area



Scientific

Scientific will kick off on 1 and 2 October 2011 with a large party, with the trade show following on from this. Find out about technical innovations, join in the debating with Coolpolitics, and visit the interactive equipment in the market.

Further information: www.scientificfestival.nl

- Westergasfabriek, Amsterdam

Rembrandt & Degas

The 'Rembrandt & Degas' exhibition can be seen from 1 July to 23 October 2011. In his early years, Degas allowed himself to be inspired by old masters like Rembrandt. For the first time Rembrandt and Degas are being displayed alongside one another.

Further information: www.rijksmuseum.nl

- Rijksmuseum, Amsterdam



Scheepvaartmuseum

From 2 October 2011 the fully restored Scheepvaartmuseum (Maritime Museum) will be reopened to the public. The Scheepvaartmuseum has developed twelve different exhibitions that take into account the age and knowledge level of the visitors. From the inner courtyard there is even a separate entrance for each target group.. A huge scale model of the harbour area, lots of paintings, an extensive collection of globes, the story of the VOC (Dutch East India Company) and special children's exhibitions can also be seen.

Further information: www.hetscheepvaartmuseum.nl

- Amsterdam

Amsterdam Museum - Bartholomeus van der Helst: the representation of power

This exhibition can be seen in the Amsterdam Museum from 1 October 2011 to 22 January 2012. On 11 February Judith van Gent from Utrecht University defended her thesis 'Bartholomeus van der Helst: a study of his life and work. This monographic study reconstructs Van der Helst's career and clientèle on the basis of extant work and documents. In October this year the thesis will be published as a commercial edition by Uitgeverij Waanders. As a result of this publication, a presentation on Van der Helst can be seen in the Amsterdam Museum at the same time. Occupying centre stage in this presentation is the greatest and one of the most significant works of this illustrious Amsterdam portrait painter from the 17th century.

Further information: www.amsterdammuseum.nl

- Amsterdam Museum, Amsterdam



Schipbreuk

The Schipbreuk (Shipwreck) exhibition can be seen from 1 to 28 October 2011. On 28 October 1628 the brand-new VOC East Indiaman De Batavia left Texel's shipyard for a long and dangerous voyage to the East Indies. A voyage that the ship would never complete. The Schipbreuk exhibition relives this ill-fated voyage. Visit Schipbreuk at Nieuw Land, board the reconstruction of De Batavia at the shipyard and see maritime discoveries at the Rijksdienst voor het Cultureel Erfgoed (Dutch heritage organization).

Further information: www.schipbreukbatavia.nl

- Nieuw Land, Lelystad

Amsterdam Marathon

The Amsterdam Marathon will take place on 16 October 2011. It is the official marathon of the capital city and the second oldest marathon in the Netherlands. Competitive and recreational athletes from in excess of sixty countries take part on what is one of the world's fastest courses. In addition to the competitive marathon race there is a full and half marathon and a 7.5 kilometre run for recreational runners.

Further information: www.amsterdammarathon.nl

- Olympisch Stadion, Amsterdam

Cinekid Amsterdam ***

Taking place between 18 and 21 October 2011, Cinekid is the film, television and new media festival for children from four to sixteen years. The latest youth films and best television programmes can be watched in the City and De Balie theatre. Children themselves set to work using the latest interactive media to make radio programmes or film (for example). The Cinekid festival takes place in Amsterdam during the autumn holidays (North region). Cinekid op Locatie (Cinekid on Location) is organized during the regional autumn holiday in around thirty cities throughout the country.

Further information: www.cinekid.nl

- Amsterdam

Amsterdam Dance Event ***

Taking place from 19 to 22 October 2011, the Amsterdam Dance Event is the most important electronic music conference and the world's largest clubbing festival for electronic music. The event provides a unique mix of conferences during the day (comprising interactive workshops, technical demonstrations and in-depth discussions) and music festivals in the evenings. This annual event draws in excess of 112,000 festivalgoers from throughout the world.

Further information: www.amsterdam-dance-event.nl

- Amsterdam, around 44 locations in the city

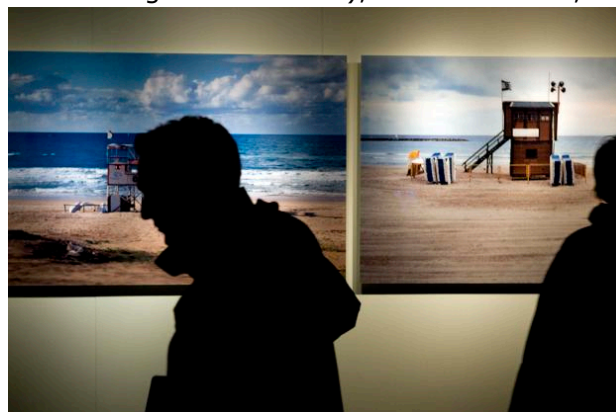


Museumnacht Amsterdam (n8)

Stichting Museumnacht Amsterdam (Amsterdam Museum Night Foundation), or n8 for short, will connect Amsterdam's museums with a new and young public on 5 November 2011. During the bustling Museumnacht over 35 museums will be opening their doors from 7pm until 2am. All participating institutions are organizing special events. Thus there will be performances from and guided tours by famous Dutch people. During the Museumnacht special transport through the city will be mobilized in the form of buses and boats, which is included in the ticket price.

Further information: www.n8.nl

- Various locations in Amsterdam



International Documentary Film Festival Amsterdam (IDFA) ***

From 16 to 27 November 2011, fans can indulge themselves in the moving, compelling and sometimes shocking national and international documentaries that will be shown. In total the IDFA will be screening 250 documentaries on the most varied subjects. Fixed elements of the programme include Panorama, on urgent current topics, Kids & Docs, about children and documentaries, the Top Ten of Nikolaus Geyrhalter and plenty more besides..

Further information. www.idfa.nl

- Amsterdam

(Events and dates are subject to change)

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