Maltese-Russian Friendship Foundation (MRF Foundation) with support of Mediterranean Centre for Culture & Art is excited to announce Malta International Music Festival & Competition held from 27th of April to 10th of May 2015.

The goal of The Malta International Music Festival & Competition is to provide the best learning experience for everyone by combining an intensive educational programme with an outstanding concert series presented by world-class musicians and participants of the Festival. It is undoubtedly an event in the Maltese cultural calendar, which cannot be overlooked by those interested in Music, culture or the art of piano, violin, cello, clarinet and voice or by those who have at heart the improving of performing standards of our youth!

It is a Cultural Event founded with the intent to improve Music education of youngsters in Malta by offering high-level tuition and opportunities to perform in front of an audience. Students and teachers alike will also broaden their horizons due to their coming in contact with pianists from abroad.

14 Days of the Festival is:

- Over 20 concerts in leading venues in Malta & Gozo
- Opening and Gala Concerts of the Festival & Competition
- Over 150 participants
- Cooperation with the local media: Times of Malta, One.tv, TVM, The Independent, The Executive etc.
- Cooperation with foreign TV channels and press
- Over 10000 likes on Facebook
- 10 days of master-classes with world-class musicians
- 5 disciplines: piano, violin, voice, cello, clarinet
- 5 day competition in piano and vocal for various age categories
- 1 Opening concert: Festival & Competition
- 2 Gala concerts: Festival & Competition
- Awards presentation & reception

Following its very successful 3 additions, the festival has expanded significantly both in terms of the professors constituting the faculty of acclaimed musicians as well as in terms of the number of students attending who come from various countries, making the spirit of the event truly international. New master-classes category has been added to the previous piano, cello, violin, voice, namely clarinet.
The Festival has also incorporated one more **Voice Competition (from the 8th to the 10th of May)** which will be for the 1st time in the framework of the Festival within itself as an addition to the international **Piano competition**, which will take place after the master-classes, i.e. **from the 6th to the 10th of May**.


The Festival aims to create a platform for young musicians to exhibit their talents and learn from acclaimed professors while being able to enjoy the stunning beauty of the Maltese islands.

All the participants, apart from the opportunities to attend the master-classes of the world famous professionals, take part in 2-3 concerts in the best venues around the Islands of Malta & Gozo, take part in Piano and Voice competitions with the internationally acknowledged musicians as Jury members.

It has always been the festival organizers’ goal to combine education, culture and tourism while simultaneously enriching the cultural life of Malta with the presence of the world acclaimed professors and talented young musicians from various countries as well as from Malta thus creating a really cosmopolitan, friendly and professional atmosphere.

More information such as general information, rules & regulations, biographies of professors, programmes of competitions, application forms, photographs from previous festivals as well as the list of concerts can be obtained from our web-site: www.maltafest.eu and our Facebook page: Malta International Music Festival.