### Wednesday, September 18 7:00 – 9:00 PM

Polka 101 Party

St. Mary's Hall 15519 Holmes Avenue, Cleveland

Join the leaders of the local Kres dance group for a lesson on how to Polka. All Clevelanders should know how to dance the Polka! This class is for beginners, for those out of practice, or even for experienced dancers who would like to help the beginners. Either way, it will be fun! Admission is \$10 per person. Drinks and snacks will be available. To register, email <a href="mailto:sloconsulate.cleveland@gmail.com">sloconsulate.cleveland@gmail.com</a>, or visit the Slovenian Consulate General on Facebook.



# Thursday, September 19 6:30 PM

Culinary Class: Cook Slovenian!
Slovenian National Home
6417 Superior Avenue, Cleveland

Experienced local cooks will teach you how to make two traditional Slovenian specialties, potičke, mini nut rolls and ričet, a soup with vegetables and barley. Please register in advance. Cost is \$10 per person and includes instruction, ingredients, and food to take home. Contact discoverslocle@gmail.com or visit Discover Slovenia in Cleveland on Facebook.

#### Saturday, September 21

## Option #1: St. Mary's of the Assumption Annual Clambake

Doors open at 6:00 PM 15519 Holmes Avenue, Cleveland Join the St. Mary's community for a Cleveland experience. The Jeff Pecon orchestra with Joey Miskulin will play. Advanced reservations are a must. Dinners/prices: Steak & clams - \$45 Chicken & clams - \$35. Call (216) 761-7040

## **Option #2: Slovenian National Home Centennial Reverse Raffle**

6:00 PM door; 7:30 PM dinner 6417 St. Clair Avenue, Cleveland Come celebrate 100 years of SNH with an elegant dinner, dancing, and prizes. Tickets are \$100 per person or \$40 for dinner only. Call (216) 407-5062 or visit www.slovenianhome.com for tickets.

#### Sunday, September 22 2:00 PM

The Slovenian Grape Festival SNPJ Farm 10946 Heath Road, Kirtland

We end Slovenian Days with a traditional harvest time celebration featuring a polka parade, a Slovenian sing-along, dancing, balinca/bocce, music by the Tony Fortuna Orchestra, food, and lots of fun! Admission is \$8. Kids or anyone in traditional Slovenian dress get in for free!



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## Thursday, September 12 6:00 PM

# Slovenian Mass & Concert: Oktet Jurij Dalmatin

St. Mary of the Assumption 15519 Holmes Avenue, Cleveland

There will be Mass in Slovenian, followed by an evening of music from Oktet Jurij, a male vocal octet from Boštanj, in the Dolenjska region of Slovenia. A reception will follow. Free admission.



Official Opening of Slovenian Days, 2024

Friday, September 13 6:30 PM

#### **Us and Them Without Frontiers**

An exhibition exploring technological connections between Slovenia and the United States.

Slovenian Museum and Archives 6407 St. Clair Avenue, Cleveland

Help us to officially kick off Slovenian Days, 2024, and see how intellectual collaboration between Slovenia and America has benefitted fields such as engineering, electronics, space exploration, and beyond. Bring your kids, and we will entertain them at a separate kids' educational discovery zone.

#### Saturday, September 14 noon – 8:00 PM

### Polka Hall of Fame 20th Annual Sausage Festival at SNPJ Farm

10946 Heath Road, Kirtland

Come out for eight hours of non-stop Polka music and dancing. Sample various locally made Slovenian sausages (kranjska klobasa) and vote for your favorite. Other foods, like pierogi and strudel will be available. Tickets are \$12 presale at the Cleveland Style Polka Hall of Fame in Euclid, online at PolkaShop@aol.com, or \$15 at the gate. Admission is free for anyone under 18.

# **Sunday, September 15 3:00 - 4:00 PM**

# Reflections in the Slovenian Cultural Garden

820 East Boulevard, Cleveland

We're putting the spotlight on what is an underappreciated gem, our Slovenian Cultural Garden. Bring a lawn chair or blanket, and come learn about the history of this garden. Together with local Slovenian clergy, we will bless the garden, and then sing along to some Slovenian songs performed by local vocalist John Srsen. Participation is free.

NOTE: This event is weather permitting, and will not take place if it rains.

### Monday, September 16 6:00 - 8:30 PM Paint & Sip

Slovenian National Home 6417 St. Clair Avenue, Cleveland

Enjoy making your own painting of Slovenia's famous Lake Bled while you sip Slovenian wine. Registration is \$50 per person and includes supplies, artist instruction, a glass of wine, and snacks. Advance registration is a must. Contact Debbie Zaller at <a href="mailto:dzaller@sbcglobal.net">dzaller@sbcglobal.net</a> or (440) 939-4205.

## Tuesday, September 17 9:00 AM

#### **Dedication of Sister Cities Flags**

Cleveland Public Library – Louis Stokes Wing 525 Superior Avenue, Cleveland

Join Global Cleveland, Consul General Suzana Češarek, other dignitaries, and members of Cleveland's International Community at a ceremony to celebrate Cleveland's global ties, as we raise the flags of our Sister Cities, one of which is Ljubljana, Slovenia!

### Hvala Lepa! Thank you to our partners:

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