

CARNIVAL 2017
16/2 – 26/2/2017
PROGRAM

Tuesday

February 14

7.00 p.m. Limassol Marina Square

The Limassol Municipality in collaboration with Limassol Marina incorporate the rhythms of Carnival into the city's pulse. Enjoy a musical program by the Ariones Choir followed by a Limassol Majorettes' show. A parade will follow with ending point the ΤΡΑΚΑΣΟΛ Cultural Centre for the inauguration of the "Limassol Carnival 2016" exhibition.

7.30 p.m. ΤΡΑΚΑΣΟΛ Cultural Centre at Limassol Marina

The Limassol Municipality and the Cyprus Photographic Society – Limassol Branch, co-organise the Pancyprian Photographic Competition and Exhibition on the theme of "Limassol Carnival 2016". The exhibition will also feature a selection of photographs from various Carnival events.

Carnival costumes will be exhibited.

Opening Days & Hours:

Wednesday, Feb. 15, 10.00 a.m. - 1.00 p.m. & 3.00 p.m. - 7.00 p.m.

Thursday, Feb. 16, 10.00 a.m. - 1.00 p.m.

The event will be held with the kind support of the ΤΡΑΚΑΣΟΛ Cultural Centre.

The Mayor Mr. Nicos Nicolaides will inaugurate the exhibition.

Wednesday

February 15

6.00 p.m. Town Hall

The Limassol Municipality and the Limassol Union of Self-Educated Painter co-organise an exhibition titled "Carnival 2017". The Choir of the Kato Polemidia Municipality will participate.

7.00 p.m. Theomaria Art Gallery

(7, Vasilissis Karlottas & Elenis Paleologinas str.)

The Theomaria Art Gallery organises for the 11th consecutive year the carnival mask exhibition by Vera Efthimiou Parlalidou. Workshops on how to create and decorate ceramic and paper masks will be held from the 15th to the 25th of February.

The Mayor of Limassol Mr. Nicos Nicolaides will inaugurate the exhibitions.

Thursday

February 16

11.00 a.m.

Carnival fiestas in front of the Limassol Cooperative Savings Bank (Gladstonos street) and the Bank of Cyprus (Ayiou Andreou street).

12.30 p.m.

The Limassol Serenaders will be singing at Saripolou Square.

5.30 p.m. Town Hall

The Mayor and the Municipal Council, accompanied by the Limassol Municipality Brass Band and the Limassol Majorettes will parade through the streets up to the Grigoris Afxentiou square.

5.30 p.m. Grigori Afxentiou Square

Grigori Agxentiou Square (in front of the District Office) comes alive and lures us into the Carnival rhythms with the help of the radio producer Marios Papadopoulos.

The party continues with the Lime & Sol group and the Batukinio percussion instruments group, inviting us to dance to the rhythm of salsa.

7.00 p.m. The Queen of the Carnival, **“The Deep Blue of the Mediterranean”** will enter the city accompanied by her entourage. The Queen will be surrounded by the Mayor and the members of the Municipal Council, the royal family, groups of Serenaders, the Limassol Municipality Brass Band, the Limassol Majorettes of the Cyprus Girl Guides Association, the Batukinio percussion instruments group and the Limassol Majorettes.

The parade will set off from Grigoris Afxentiou Square (in front of the District Office Building) and will pass through the following streets: Anexartisias, Ayiou Andreou, Karaiskaki (Municipal Library), Stasinou and Andrea Drousioti streets and terminate at the Heroe’s square, where a party will take place to the sounds of the music group Ritmo di Carnaval.

Friday

February 17

7.30p.m. Children’s Choirs – Pattihio Municipal Theatre

Evening of serenades and carnival songs by the Children's Choir of the Papadakion Municipal School of Music, the Music Workshop, Children's Choir and Piccolo of Epilogi, the Armonia Choir and the children's choirs of “Melodies kai Chromata” and Dreams' Choir.

Entrance: €5

Saturday

February 18

10.30a.m.

The Municipality’s children’s train (donation of the Limassol Co-operative Savings Bank) will be touring around the city. The first tour will take place at 10.30a.m. with the Epilogi Piccolo and Workshop Choir singing carnival songs. Other tours will follow.

Starting point: Limassol Co-operative Savings Bank (Gladstonos Street).

In the inner courtyard of the Limassol Cooperative Savings Bank, the Municipality of Limassol will be operating a **workshop on confetti eggs made of wax** as well as a **crazy mask workshop**.

11.00 a.m. – 2.00p.m. Grigoris Afxentiou Square (in front of the District Office Building)

The Limassol Municipality and the radio station Choice FM 104.3 co-organize a treasure hunt for the 9th consecutive year (for more information please call 25-820820/ participations: www.choicefm.com.cy).

3.00 p.m. The Limassol Cycling Club will cycle in a carnival mood around the city.
Starting and Ending Point: Medieval Castle Square.

6.00 p.m. Serenaders' Event at Hellenic Bank (52, Gladstonos str.)

The Hellenic Bank and the Limassol Serenaders, co-organize a festivity with serenades and carnival songs with the participation of the EDON Serenaders, the Moderni Keri Choir, the Ariones Choir and the Limassol Serenaders.
Free drinks will be offered.

7:30 p.m. Studio 8 School of Art & Design (22, Panou Solomonide str.)

The Limassol Municipality and Studio 8 School of Art & Design invite everyone to join the event *"Revival of the old Limassol Carnival days"*. The event will be preceded by Mr. Mimis Sophocleous, Academic and Scientific Director of the Limassol Historical Archive and the Mayor of Limassol, Mr. Nicos Nicolaidis, who will commence the opening of the exhibition.

The Limassol Municipality revives a satirical float of the late artist and creator Costas Mavrogenis, built in 1968.

Visitors will have the opportunity to enjoy a photography exhibition of carnival floats.

Sunday

February 19

11.30 a.m. Children's Carnival Parade

Starting Point: Sea front road (opposite Citizen Service Centre - close to the old port round about).

Ending: Municipal Garden (south entrance)

6.00 p.m. Serenaders' Event in front of the Perama Music Stage

Songs by the Georgalletos Serenaders. The event is dedicated to the memory of the founder of the group Giorgos Georgalletos.

Monday

February 20

Serenaders at the Limassol neighbourhoods and quarters:

7.30 p.m. The Giorgalletos Serenaders will be singing at Ayia Fyla quarter.

Tuesday

February 21

Serenaders at the Limassol neighbourhoods and quarters:

7.30 p.m. The Cypriot Serenaders will be singing at Zakaki quarter.

7.30 p.m. The Monterni Keri Choir will be singing at the quarters of Apostolos Andreas and Ayios Ioannis.

7.30 p.m. The Edon Serenaders will be singing at Ayios Nicolaos quarter.

8.00 p.m. “Pellomaska” Parade

The Limassol Municipality in collaboration with the “Lemosos” newspaper are inviting you to join the “Pellomaska” Parade (crazy costume parade).

Starting Point: Heroes’ Square

Ending Point: Medieval Castle Square

8.30 p.m. Tuesday’s Carnival Fiesta at the Medieval Castle Square

People of all ages are invited by the Limassol Municipality to attend the event disguised and participate in a great carnival spree with music and dancing.

Free-style Carnival Costume Competition – Awards will be given to the best three participants.

Wednesday

February 22

7.30 p.m. Limassol’s Tetraфонia

TPAKΑΣOΛ Cultural Centre at Limassol Marina

Carnival songs and serenades by the Limassol’s Tetraфонia (Four Voice Men’s Choir). The event is held with the kind support of the TPAKΑΣOΛ Cultural Centre.

8.30p.m. University Square (CUT)

The Limassol Municipality in collaboration with the radio stations **Klik Fm** and **Choice Fm** co-organize for the 4th consecutive year the carnival Big Street Party.

Thursday

February 23

7.30 p.m. Evening Carnival Parade

Starting Point: Grigori Afxentiou Square (In front of the District Office Building).

Ending Point: Medieval Castle Square

The Limassol Municipality in collaboration with the association “Friends of Limassol Carnival” co-organize an Evening Carnival Parade.

8.30 p.m. Carnival Ball at the Medieval Castle Square.

The Dreams' Choir and Elena Solea along with their orchestra invite you to sing and dance to the rhythms of popular carnival songs, followed by a DJ programme.

Free-style Carnival Costume Competition. Awards will be given to the best three participants.

Friday

February 24

7.00 p.m. Limassol Marina Square

The Limassol Municipality in collaboration with Limassol Marina organize a Serenaders' evening with the participation of the Modernoi Keri Choir, the Limassol Serenaders, the Ariones Choir, the Cypriot Senenaders, the EDON Serenaders, the Choir of the Cultural Association of EAC Employees and the Yialloura Choir.

Route: Irinis street (in front of the Monterni Keri Cultural Group) – Medieval Castle Square – Limassol Marina Square

Saturday

February 25

10.30 a.m. The Municipality's children's train (donation of the Limassol Co-operative Savings Bank) will be touring around the city. On the first tour at 10.30a.m. the Epilogi Piccolo and Workshop Choir will be on board the train singing carnival songs. Other tours will follow.

Starting point: Limassol Co-operative Savings Bank (Gladstonos Street).

3.00 p.m. The Limassol Classic Cars Club will drive around the city in a carnival mood.

Starting point: Enaerios Parking Place.

Ending point: Grigori Afxentiou Square (In front of the District Office Building).

6.30 p.m. Serenaders' Parade

Groups of Serenaders will gather at 6.00 p.m. in front of the Town Hall. At 6.30 p.m. they will start serenading, ending at the Grigori Afxentiou Square (In front of the District Office Building).

From 5.00 p.m. onwards the Georgia Protopapa's Vocal Ensemble, the choir "Mousikes Periplanisis" and the Emmelia Choir will be singing at Grigori Afxentiou Square.

The Limassol Municipality invites you to sing and dance along with the Serenaders. Free wine will be offered.

Sunday

February 26

Grand Carnival Parade

Archbishop Makarios III Avenue

Starting Point: Ayios Nikolaos Round About

Ending Point: Simillides Traffic Lights

1.00 p.m. The parade will begin with the Serenaders, the Limassol Majorettes of the Cyprus Girl Guides Association, the Batukinio percussion instruments group, the Limassol Majorettes, and the Limassol Municipality Brass Band.

1.15 p.m. The Parade will be led by the Queen of the Carnival, "**The Deep Blue of the Mediterranean**", accompanied by a sea of floats and pedestrians.

During the parade, former carnivalists will be honoured by the Limassol Municipality for their contribution to the Limassol Carnival.

9.00 p.m. Farewell Carnival Fiesta – Old Port Square

The Carnival will end with a Carnival Party at the Enaerios parking place.

Free style Carnival Costume Competition – Awards will be given to the best three participants.

9.00 p.m. Parade of Limassol Majorettes and Batukinio percussion instruments group – Marina Square

Starting point: Limassol Marina

Ending point: Old Port Square

The programme is subject to unexpected changes.

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