



City of Niš
Department of Culture and Information

Culture in Nis

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Where is Niš?

In Europe,
in the Balkans,
in Serbia,
between
the East and the West,
on the river Nišava,
lies the imperial city of Niš.



Cultural Institutions

City of Niš

Department for Culture and Information , Secretary Aleksandra Radosavljević

1. Historical Archives of Nis - Director Snezana Radović
2. Nis Cultural Center-Director Srdjan Savić
3. Gallery of Contemporary Art - representative Milica Todorović
4. National Theater Niš - representative Miljana Nenadov
5. National Museum of Nis - representative Jelena Bogdanović
6. Puppet Theater - representative Dejan Gocić
7. National Library Stevan Sremac Niš
8. Children's Cultural Center
9. Symphony orchestra Niš

Republican cultural institutions in Nis

10. Institute for Protection of Monuments
11. Student Cultural Center

Events city of Nis

International Events

1. **Nisville** - organized by the Foundation Nisville August, 25 years of existence.
2. **New Year's Concert**- organized by Serbian Youth Philharmonic "Naissus" January 12, 23 years of existence.
3. **Nimus**- organized by Nis Cultural Center and the Symphony orchestra, from 26 October to 7 November, 45 years of existence.
4. **International Choir Festival** – organized by Nis Cultural Center, from 5 to 8 June, 27 years of existence.
5. **Music edict** - organized by Church Choir Branko, from 16 to 19 June 6 years of existence.

6. **Art Colony Sićevo** - organized by the Gallery of Contemporary Art, from 2 to 11. September , 55 years of existence.

7. **Literary colony Sićevo** - organization by Nis Cultural Center and the Association of Writers -Niš, from 18 to 23 September 29 years of existence.

8. **Nisomnija**- organization by Nis Cultural Center, from 28 to 29 June, 17 years of existence.

Events of great local importance for the City

9. **Niš Film Festival of Acting Achievements** - organization by Nis Cultural Center and Association of Serbian Film Actors from 23 to 30 August , 53 years of existence.

10. **Children's Festival "May Song"** - organizes by Children Cultural Center in May, 45 years of existence.

New events

11. **Evrgrin Festival**- organized by the Association "Impresija," 30 and 31 May.

* **Theater at the crossroads** -Organizuej National Theater Nis in March

Nišville Jazz Festival 1994-2019

- Nišville jazz festival is a public manifestation held in the city of Nis, and is recognized as an event of public interest by the Serbian Ministry of Culture. It is the only cultural event that won a statue “The Best of Serbia” awarded by the Ministry of Commerce, Serbian Chamber of Commerce, and magazine “Privredni Pregled.” It is also the winner of multiple other awards such as, “Project of the Future” (Club of Economic Journalists of Serbia, and Center for Small and Medium Enterprises, 2010), “Flower of Tourism” (the best cultural event to promote Serbian tourism in 2015) and many other smaller awards.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zhl8pZQ0JV4>



Niš Film Festival of Acting Achievements

- Film Meetings is a unique manifestation of film art that values exclusively acting. Every year, during the last week of August, the city of Niš hosts the entire acting elite of our country and region. The festival was founded in 1966 by the Association of Serbian Film Actors from Belgrade and Slavica Film Company from Niš (from which later the founding rights were taken over first by Municipal Assembly of Niš and later by the City of Niš). In addition to the official competition program, which covers the most important films made during the last year in a common (Serbian) language area, the festival also organizes different accompanying events. Official awards of the festival are: Grand Prix Naisa for best acting achievement in competition program, Emperor Constantine for the leading male role, Empress Teodora for the leading female role, charters for the male and female role, awards for the male and female episode and award for debut role. <https://we.tl/t-lwl477jVzx>



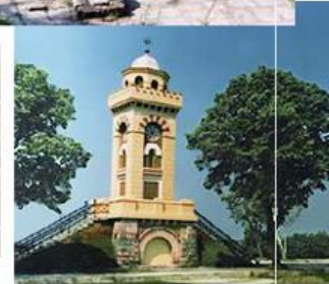
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Theatre at the Crossroads

11- 19 March 2019

- The first festival of the Balkan cultural space Theatre at the Crossroads was held at the National Theatre in Niš between March 11th and 19th.
- In 9 days, the audience had an opportunity to see ten plays from eight countries, out of which eight took part in the contest.
- Over five thousand people visited the auditorium of the National Theatre in Niš, and over one hundred actors performed for them on stage. We hosted four hundred seventeen guests from the country and abroad, eighty-four participants took part in the accompanying program, and some seven hundred people attended the round table discussions and accompanying programs.
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MGbrLobP7Hc>





City of Niš

Over the last
2000 years'
history



PREHISTORY TIME IN NIŠ

finds: many fragments ceramics pottery, tools, jewelry

ANCIENT / MODERN



Settled since the era of the first humans in Europe, thriving during the Neolithic. Over twenty three centuries ago migrating Celts called our city Navissos. Through the eons, Greeks, Romans, Goths and even the Huns knew of our city as an important crossroad and trading hub of southeastern Europe.



Roman period in Niš



MEDIANA ARCHEOLOGICAL SITE

Mediana is one of the most important Serbian Late Antiquity archeological sites. It was constructed during the reign of emperor Constantine the Great, and was used as a temporary residence by six Roman emperors.

In the location, there are numerous remnants of facilities testifying to the life of Roman aristocracy. The most attractive is the villa with peristyle richly adorned with more than 1000 m² of floor mosaics.



Archeological hall in the Museum



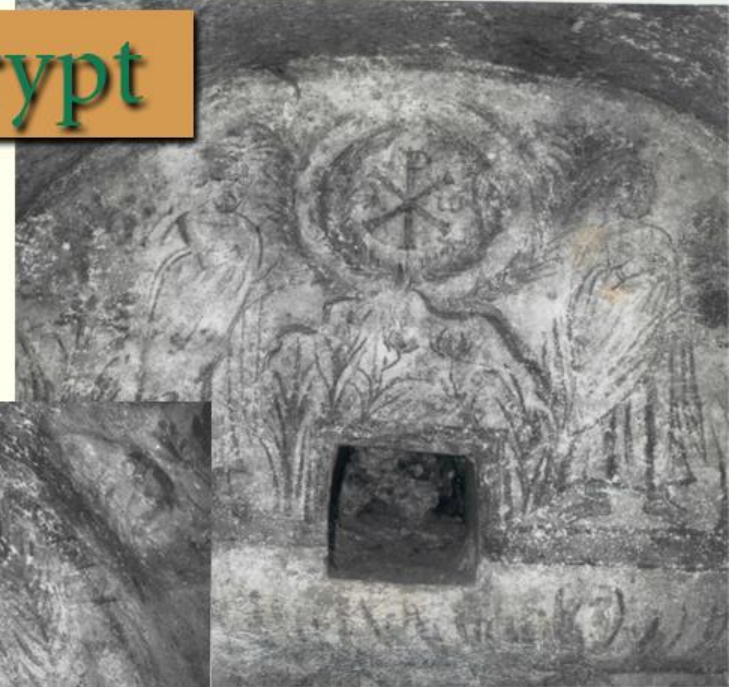
MEDIANA



The most famous citizen
of Niš is **Constantine the Great**
who ruled the Roman Empire from 306 to 337.
He was the first to convert to Christianity
and to recognize it as an official state religion.



Early Christian crypt



Typical for the period of Christianity close to the end of the IV century.

The whole surface is painted.

On the top there is the Christ's monogram with two palm tree wreaths.

Considered one of the best preserved monuments in the Balkans.

Middle Age

All confirms that Niš within Byzantine administrative system and during one relatively peaceful period in the end of the 12th century reached considerable level of development.

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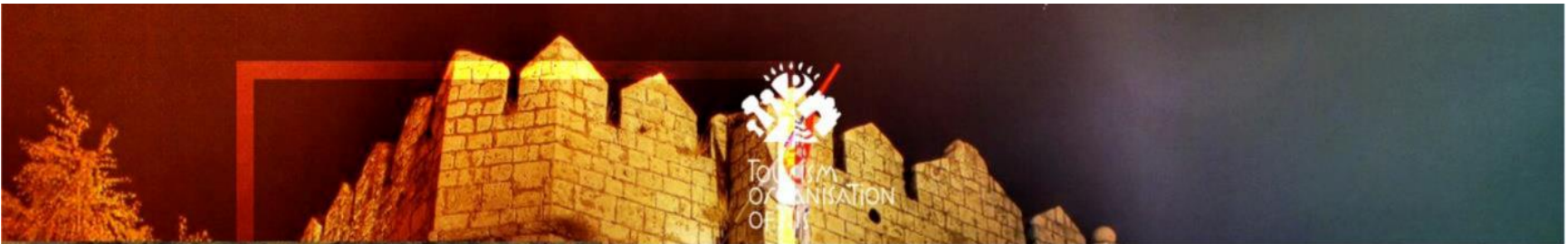
Niš was an active part of almost all the crucial historical moments, so one can even find the exact place where Friedrich Barbarossa and his crusaders signed a treaty with the Serbian King. Medieval times were quite eventful, so we have all sorts of buildings, from Serbian and Latin churches and monasteries, to a huge Turkish fortress dominating the city landscape...



Tourist Office of Niš



Turkish time in Niš



THE FORTRESS

Nis Fortress, the symbol of the city, is one of the best preserved and most beautiful military fortifications in the Middle Balkans. Built by the Romans, Byzantines and Serbs, pulled down and renovated a number of times, the Fortress was given its final shape by the Turks in 1723.

The Fortress visually dominates over the city center and spreads over 22 hectares. Powerful stone walls are 2.100 meters long, 8 meters high and 3 meters wide. It has four gates but the most recognizable and the most lavish is the southern one – the Stambol gate



UNIS FOR TRESS



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Turkish time in Niš



CEGAR

Cegar hill near Nis was the location where the battle for liberation of Nis from Turks took place. After the battle on May 31, 1809, Turks built the tower made of skulls of the perished serbian soldiers known as the Skull Tower.

At the place where the trench of commander Stevan Sindelić and his soldiers was located, a monument was erected in the shape of a tower - a symbol of the military fortification.



Turkish time in Niš



THE SKULL TOWER

A monument unique in the world - the tower made of human skulls.

After the massive battle of Cegar in 1809, the Turkish commander ordered that the heads of Serbian soldiers be skinned, and the skins be stuffed with cotton and sent to Constantinople. From the heads of the dead soldiers, Turks built a tower to instill fear in the local Serbian population. But the effect was the opposite of what was expected, and the Skull Tower has become a symbol of resistance and struggle for freedom.



THE FIRST WORLD WAR IN NIŠ

Telegram of the declaration of war in Serbia arrived in Nis on 28 July 1914 and after that City of Nis has become the capital of the First World War.



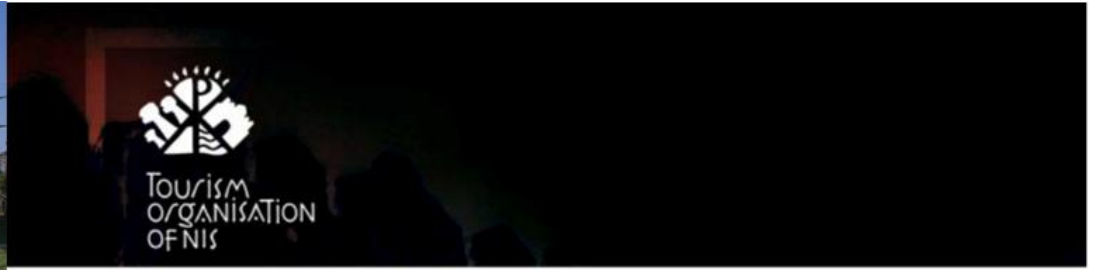
THE FIRST WORLD WAR IN NIŠ

Pasteur's Institute building

Dating from the end of 19th century.
Built at the same time as the one in Sofia.
In present days museum of Preventive Medicine.



The Second World War in Nis



CONCENTRATION CAMP FROM WW2

Nis Concentration Camp is one of few preserved German Nazi camps in Europe. Even today it provides an authentic testimony of the perils of the Serbian, Romani, and Jewish populations during the German occupation of Nis (1941-1944).

In the authentic camp complex one can see preserved towers, observation posts, guard boxes, central building with the cells and solitary confinements and personal items of the inmates.



The Second World War in Nis

Memorial Park Bubanj built in memory of shooting the citizens of Nis and southern Serbia authentic place of mass fascist terror, was placed under state protection in May 1973. While the April 1979 decision of the Assembly of Serbian memorial park Bubanj declared a cultural heritage of great importance



Welcome to Nis

Добре дошли в Ниш

Zapraszamy do Nis

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www.visitnis.com

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