



MART FEST

**CULTURE
AND ARTS
FESTIVAL**

3-31 March 2017



#mARTfest



MIDDLE EAST TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY
NORTHERN CYPRUS CAMPUS

Everything about art is at METU NCC mARTFest!

Dear Art lovers,

METU and art have a deep-rooted and everlasting relationship .METU NCC has been continuing its journey with art since the day it was established. METU NCC, which has made environmental conscience an indispensable part of the campus culture with its Green Campus brand, has been working to explore the intersection of recycling and environmentalism with different disciplines of art for many years. Aiming to bring art and the entire island together, art events at METU NCC reflect the university's responsibility to society.

March is not an ordinary month for METU NCC. By March, the weather warms up, the nature awakens and the campus life becomes more vibrant. The **mARTFest** has taken inspiration from the nature of the campus. As nature renews itself throughout March, which is the messenger of spring, we wanted to collect the participants from different art disciplines under the same roof and renew our soul with extraordinary art experiences. With the excitement of breaking new ground, we prepared **mARTFest** in the leadership of our student societies that keep the campus art life alive throughout the year.

We are feeling great excitement about introducing this festival to you, which we hope will become traditional with an expanded scope in the coming years. Thank you for not leaving us alone on this journey which we have started with the passion of art.

Prof. Dr. Nazife Baykal
Campus President

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PROGRAM

3 March Friday	14.00	JOIN: Exlibris by Hasip Pektaş and Hatice Öz Pektaş [Seminar, Workshop]*	Art Studio
3 March Friday	17.00	JOIN: The Importance of Portfolio in job interviews and Body Language by Hatice Öz Pektaş [Seminar]	Art Studio
3 March Friday	18.00	SEE: Exlibris by Hasip Pektaş and Hatice Öz Pektaş [Exhibition]	Library Foyer
3 March Friday	20.00	LISTEN: Presidential Symphony Orchestra [Concert]	Culture and Convention Center RRD Hall
4 March Saturday	19.00	SEE: METU Ankara Fine Arts Society [Exhibition]	Culture and Convention Center Foyer
4 March Saturday	20.00	LISTEN: METU Ankara Fine Arts Society [Concert]	Culture and Convention Center RRD Hall
6-9 March	13:40	JOIN: Stick (wo)man [workshop]*	Art Studio
11 March Saturday	13.00	JOIN : Dance society - SALSA [Workshop]	Mirrored Hall
11 March Saturday	19.30	WATCH: MIXED DANCE NIGHT 1 [Show]	Culture and Convention Center RRD Hall
11 March Saturday	21.00	WATCH: MIXED DANCE NIGHT 1 [Show]	Vitamin Bar
12 March Sunday	11.00	JOIN: Pottery with Savvas Pottery [Workshop]	Art Studio
12 March Sunday	13.00	JOIN: DANCE SOCIETY-Tango [Workshop]	Mirrored Hall
12 March Sunday	19.30	WATCH: MIXED DANCE NIGHT 2 [Show]	Culture and Convention Center RRD Hall
12 March Sunday	21.00	JOIN: Milonga [Show]	Vitamin Bar
13-16 March	All Day	JOIN: Graffiti by Mr.Hure [Workshop]	Graffiti Area Next to 1st Dormitory
14 March Tuesday	19.00	SEE :Adi Atassi [Exhibition]	Culture and Convention Center Foyer

15 March Wednesday	19.00	JOIN: Adi Atassi [Workshop]*	Art Studio
15 March Wednesday	20.00	LISTEN: Violin Piano Duo [Concert]	Culture and Convention Center RRD Hall
16 March Thursday	13.40	JOIN: Adi Atassi [Workshop]*	Art Studio
18 March Saturday	19.00	WATCH: Short Film Festival [Day 1] [Showing]	Culture and Convention Center Amfi 3
19 March Sunday	19.00	WATCH: Short Film Festival [Day 2] [Showing]	Culture and Convention Center Amfi 3
20 March Monday	19.30	SEE: Those Who Seize the Moment [Exhibition]	Culture and Convention Center Foyer
22 March Wednesday	19.30	WATCH: 'Black and White' [Showing]	Culture and Convention Center Amfi 3
23 March Thursday	19.00	JOIN: Music, Words and Objects [Workshop]*	Culture and Convention Center
25 March Saturday	19.30	LISTEN: Division 6 [Concert]	Culture and Convention Center RRD Hall
26 March Sunday	19.30	LISTEN: İzmir Big Band [Concert]	Culture and Convention Center RRD Hall
27 March Monday	19.30	WATCH: A Performance by TiyatrODTÜ [Play]	Culture and Convention Center RRD Hall
28 March Tuesday	19.30	JOIN: Tales from the Island [Narration]	Amphitheater
31 March Friday	19.00	WATCH: FOTODTÜ Photo Contest Awards Ceremony [Ceremony]	Culture and Convention Center RRD Hall
31 March Friday	19.30	WATCH: I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change [Play]	Culture and Convention Center RRD Hall

* Please contact martfest@metu.edu.tr with your e-mail address to participate in the workshops.

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CONTEST

FOTODTÜ Festival Moments Photo Contest

METU NCC **mARTFest** is inviting the participants to record the precious moments of the festival. Through the photo contest, which will continue throughout the festival, FOTODTÜ will select the most unique festival moment taken by the participants. To participate in the contest, which will take place on Instagram, you just need to share the photos you took during the **mARTFest** by tagging **@fotoTTU** and using **#mARTFest**. As the photos you share will form the visual memory of our festival, the best photos of the festival will be announced on the closing day of the festival.

“JOIN
SEE”

SEMINAR, WORKSHOP, EXHIBITION

Exlibris by Hasip Pektaş and Hatice Öz Pektaş

Exlibris, an area of art that promotes and honors the book owners, is the general name of the small prints on the inside cover of the books, with names and various pictures on them. In a sense, it is the book's business card or deed that tells the person who borrow the book to return it. Exlibris means “the library of '...'” or “from the library of '...'”.



The faculty members of Fine Art Visual Communication Design of Isik University and members of the Board of Directors of the Istanbul Ex-libris Association, Dr. Hasip Pektaş and Assoc. Dr. Hatice Öz Pektaş are coming to Cyprus to introduce exlibris. The festival includes an introductory seminar, an exhibition and a workshop which intend participants to gain experience.



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SEMINAR

The Importance of Portfolio in job interviews and Body Language by Hatice Öz Pektaş

Dr. Hatice Öz Pektaş, a faculty member from Isik University, will share valuable information on portfolio preparation for artists and the importance of body language and portfolio presentation in job interviews.



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CONCERT

Presidential Symphony Orchestra

The relationship between METU NCC and TRNC Presidential Symphony Orchestra, which was established in January 2015, dates back to even before the **mARTFest**. PSO, which is followed by great interest throughout the island, performs occasionally for Güzelyurt residents at METU NCC Campus.

The Presidential Symphony Orchestra, which aims to improve contemporary, polyphonic and universal musical culture on the island, includes the works of Cypriot composers as well as works of worldwide composers. The orchestra, which is one of the most distinguished components of the cultural and artistic environment of the island, will be hosted in the scope of our festival before their tour, which will take place on April 2-14, 2017 to Turkey.



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EXHIBITION, CONCERT

METU Ankara Fine Arts Society

METU Ankara Fine Arts Society is an active student society that contributes to the development of the cultural and artistic environment of our Ankara campus in the fields of music, painting, photography and literature. Through the various activities they perform throughout the year, the members of the society aim to bring everyone in the society, primarily METU residents, and art together.

The mARTFest spectators will meet METU Ankara Fine Arts Society in the context of a concert consisting of a mixed painting and photography exhibition and a selection of series and film music.

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WORKSHOP

Stick [wo]man



Stick[wo]man is a word game made up of man, woman and stick, and a project designed to create opportunities for women who have never made money during their lives. In the project, in addition to the yarn and the zipper, all previously used and discarded materials are used. This project, which has been created as a local development project in Ayvalık to focus on two important social problems such as

recycling and women's employment, aims to make packaging wastes tradeable by using creative, aesthetic and unique forms.

Within the scope of **mARTFest**, Tara Hopkins, the founder of the project, and Sıdıka Zincir and Aysun Kara, project developers, will carry out four workshops.

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WORKSHOP, SHOW

Dance society Activities

With the principle that 'Dance is the visible expression of music' the Dance Society, which has brought METU NCC and dance together for many years, is one of the most active and largest student societies on campus. This society, which enriches **mARTFest** with not only the dance shows, but also with workshops, will have special guests like Şenol Vefa Gülmez, Nur Özkan, Serdar Ömer and Ceren Öztunç.

The dance events, which will start with workshops to make you familiar with tango and salsa during daytime hours, will continue with the shows of some celebrated guests and well-known dancers of the island. The first day of the dance activities will end with Salsa and the second day with Milonga night.

This society invites you to discover yourself through music for two days.

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WORKSHOP

Pottery with Savvas Pottery

Panikos Georgiades, who had a place in the art world with the Savvas Pottery brand, is a Cypriot potter who was born in Karavas in 1957. Georgiades, who returned to the island in 1988 after being trained in Germany, develops products with different colors and glazing techniques.

Within the scope of the **mARTFest**, the Panikos Georgiades will focus on how to create various pottery shapes. The workshop is open to anyone interested in the art of pottery!



“ JOIN SEE ”

SEMINAR, WORKSHOP

Adi Atassi

After leaving his country for education and being in different parts of the world, Adi Atassi, a Syrian artist who settled in Cyprus, describes himself as a 'multi-faceted existence, a creator and a collector of experiences'. Since 1987, he has been living and producing in Cyprus where as a result of being a foreigner, he experienced the loneliness that an artist needs. He also found the warmth and the passion to be creative thanks to the climate and cultural history of the island.

Atassi sums up his inspirational resources as 'the inner world of multi-faceted human existence, a beautiful poem, a pleasant film, an inspiring piece of music, all his personal experience hidden within him, various impressions that he got while searching for the purpose of life'. Expressing that his artistic production is realized in a breathtaking moment when he dives into his conscious and subconscious mind, the painter will take part both in the workshops which are open to everybody and the solo exhibitions at the **mARTFest**.



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WORKSHOP

Graffiti by Mr.Hure

Mr. Hure met graffiti in 1999 and is still actively painting. He has adopted 'the old-school style' since he started graffiti. After 2014, he started to do abstract works on walls other than graffiti. He has produced and worked on joint projects with many local and international brands. Graffiti, which was just a hobby initially became an integral part of his life over the years. The artist lives in Istanbul and continues his works there.

The artist, who has works in New York, Brooklyn and a mural in Miami, Wynwood, will be practicing at open-air workshops for four days on the campus.



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CONCERT

Violin Piano Duo

Can Özhan, the violonist, and Samir Mirzaev, the pianist, perform the most brilliant works of violin and piano repertoire in concerts under the name of "Violin Piano Duo". Receiving positive comments from listeners and music authorities, they perform concerts in Turkey and abroad in various countries.

The primary place in the repertoire of the duo belongs to J. Brahms, W. A. Mozart, L. v. Beethoven, N. Paganini and F. Liszt. We will host Can Özhan and Samir Mirzaev with a wonderful program that will enable the audience to 'witness the unique sounds of classical music' within the scope of the **mARTFest**.



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SHOWING

Cinema Society Events

The Cinema Society, one of the oldest communities of our campus, is organizing the traditional Horror Night event while bringing METU NCC and the 'seventh art' together.

During the **mARTFest**, the society will organize a Short Film Festival and show a surprise movie which they guarantee will make us question our lives.

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EXHIBITION

Those Who Seize the Moment

For many years, FOTODTU, one of the most productive societies of our campus, has been trying to capture the moment and share it with the eyes that can really 'see' it.

We pursue and consume life as if it is uninterrupted and through 'Those Who Seize the Moment' exhibition organized within the scope of **mARTFest**, our society invites you to realize the importance of a single moment in our lives. The society also uses the motto which may sound cliché, but still preserves its meaning: "You can use time but you cannot stop it. Capture the moment! "

“JOIN,,

WORKSHOP

Music, Words and Objects

In our imaginary world, everything is free and there is a third language consisting of symbols there. When we create objects in our physical reality, we give form to these free imaginary particles. So how deep can we dive into our imagination world?

In this activity, Sevil Şahutoğlu takes us on a short journey with the guidance of meditation and music. In this journey, we will first collect words and expressions, and then, process them into objects. In this extraordinary activity, we will observe the music of the words and its effects on our imaginary world with the help and reminders of the workshop facilitator.

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CONCERT

Division 6

The Music Society, which has different music groups in it, participates in the **mARTFest** with a concert of Division 6. Division 6, all of whose members are our students, offers rock and roll and blues songs in their repertoire.

TiyatroODTÜ will enrich the concert with their non-verbal sketches, and Division 6 promises you a night full of rock and roll and blues.

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CONCERT

İzmir Big Band

İzmir Big Band is an exciting project of Emrah Sayın and Murat Han Turgut who after playing in various orchestras in Turkey and Europe, especially in İzmir and İstanbul, decided to set up a modern orchestra bringing educated musicians together. The orchestra addresses both the mind and the ears, and is supported by scientific studies. The group is planning to start permanent projects by preserving their original band members and increase the quality of their music gradually.

Within the scope of **mARTFest**, we will host İzmir Big Band, which will perform a dynamic concert with an amusing repertoire. The event will start with the piano recital of Emrah Sayın, who is one of the founders of the orchestra and is a piano teacher at the Dokuz Eylül University Conservatoire. A group of students from METU will also perform a short concert at the event.



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PLAY

A PERFORMANCE by TiyatrODTÜ

TiyatrODTÜ, one of the oldest societies of the campus, has been looking for new ways of telling people about humankind for years.

The society is getting ready to bring the campus's agenda onto the stage. The community invites you all to join them on March 27 World Theater Day to tell you about life, and to keep the memory and spirit alive.

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NARRATION

Tales From The Island

In addition to the narrative sessions performed throughout the year, The Fantasy Fiction Society, also designs Treasure House event in our spring festivals.

The society gives its participants a chance to be a part of an experience which they are not familiar with in a classical culture and arts festival.

In 'Tales from the Island', an impressive example of storytelling which is the earliest art of humanity will be displayed under the starry sky of Cyprus.

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PLAY

I Love You, You're Perfect, Now Change

Although it has not been many years since its establishment, the Music Society, has produced some dedicated and intense work. Its impressive representations has made it desirable for the campus culture and arts.

I Love You, You're Perfect, and Now Change musicals will also put the relationship facts we avoid accepting on stage while appreciating love and relationship in many different ways.

This society invites you to a pleasant and exciting evening to confront the important emotional dilemmas of human life from the first dates to the relationship established between families and their children.



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