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# The 44th Australian Latvian Arts Festival in Melbourne 1994

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## In brief

### Monday 26th December

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|-------|---|----------------------------|
| 11.00 | <b>ECUMENICAL SERVICE</b>                         | St. Paul's Cathedral       |
| 13.30 | <b>CRAFT EXHIBITION OPENING</b>                   | Wool House                 |
| 15.00 | <b>ART AND PHOTOGRAPHY<br/>EXHIBITION OPENING</b> | Victorian Artists' Society |
| 19.00 | <b>OPENING CONCERT</b>                            | Hawthorn Town Hall         |

### Tuesday 27th December

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|-------|------------------------------------|---------------|
| 14.00 | <b>LECTURES (in Latvian)</b>       | Latvian House |
| 19.00 | <b>THEATRE - "The Evil Spirit"</b> | Latvian House |

### Wednesday 28th December

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|-------|------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 15.00 | <b>THEATRE - "The Evil Spirit"</b> | Latvian House           |
| 19.00 | <b>FOLK DANCING DISPLAY</b>        | Camberwell Civic Centre |

### Thursday 29th December

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|-------|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| 11.30 | <b>WRITERS' WORKSHOP</b> | Latvian House           |
| 19.00 | <b>YOUTH CONCERT</b>     | Camberwell Civic Centre |

### Friday 30th December

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|-------|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| 11.00 | <b>CHILDREN'S CONCERT</b> | Latvian House           |
| 19.00 | <b>CHOIR CONCERT</b>      | Camberwell Civic Centre |

### Saturday 31st December

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|-------|------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 13.00 | <b>VARIETY CONCERT</b> | Latvian House                       |
| 20.00 | <b>GRAND BALL</b>      | <i>The International</i> (Brighton) |

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# **The 44th Australian Latvian Arts Festival in Melbourne 26th - 31st December 1994**

## **The Festival**

is an annual event, held in a different capital city each year. This year's festival, the 44th, comes to Melbourne for the ninth time. As usual, it is a showcase of the Australian Latvian community's achievements in art, craft, dance, drama, music and song.

## **The Exhibitions**

### **Craft (Wool House)**

26th to 29th December, 10am to 6pm

30th December, 10am to 4pm

A display of ceramics, jewellery, tapestry, weaving and wood carving in traditional Latvian style. Items available for sale.

### **Art and Photography (Victorian Artists' Society)**

26th to 29th December, 10am to 4pm

30th December, 10am to 1pm

Featuring a range of works of 34 Latvian artists from all over Australia. The photography section will have items from some of Latvia's best known photographers, as well as local works.

## **The Events**

### **Ecumenical Service (St. Paul's Cathedral)**

The service will be led by the Archbishop of the Latvian Lutheran Church and will feature Melbourne's Latvian Choir '*Daina*'.

### **Opening Concert** (Hawthorn Town Hall)

Some of the Latvian community's best known musicians, with special guest soprano Solveiga Raja from the Latvian National Opera, perform the music of Latvian composers. Features the Australian premiere of a choral suite of folk songs by Ilze Akerberga.

### **Theatre - "The Evil Spirit"** (Latvian House)

A folk drama by Latvia's best known playwright Rudolfs Blaumanis (performed in Latvian).

### **Folk Dancing Display** (Camberwell Civic Centre)

With eight groups and more than 100 dancers, musicians and singers, the show has two distinct halves, with the opening featuring collected traditional dances. The second part consists of dances choreographed in the modern era, but in the folk idiom.

### **Writers' Workshop** (Latvian House)

Nine Australian Latvian poets and writers read extracts from their own works in Latvian.

### **Youth Concert** (Camberwell Civic Centre)

Young Latvians perform in classical Latvian theatre, modern music and song (folk and choral).

### **Children's Concert** (Latvian House)

The children of Melbourne's Latvian primary school sing, dance and play extracts from a 'pop opera' by Latvia's foremost contemporary composer Raimonds Pauls.

### **Choir Concert** (Camberwell Civic Centre)

Over 150 singers from all over Australia perform a range of traditional and modern arrangements accompanied by piano, orchestra and the Latvian folk instrument, the Kokle. The concert also features soprano Solveiga Raja from the Latvian National Opera.

### **Variety Concert** (Latvian House)

The closing event looks back at the festival and is a light hearted mixture of cabaret, choral and solo singing, comedy and music.

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| <b>The Venues</b>          | <b>Address</b>                       | <b>Melways</b> |
|----------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------|
| St.Paul's Cathedral        | Swanston Walk<br>MELBOURNE           | 1A J10         |
| Wool House                 | 369 Royal Parade<br>PARKVILLE        | 29 G12         |
| Victorian Artists' Society | 430 Albert Street,<br>EAST MELBOURNE | 2G A1          |
| Hawthorn Town Hall         | Burwood Road, HAWTHORN               | 45 D10         |
| Latvian House              | 3 Dickens Street, ELWOOD             | 58 C12         |
| Camberwell Civic Centre    | Camberwell Road,<br>CAMBERWELL       | 59 J1          |
| The International          | Bay Street, BRIGHTON                 | 67 E9          |

| <b>Ticket Prices</b>        |                  |  |
|-----------------------------|------------------|--|
| Opening Concert             | \$20.00, \$15.00 |  |
| Theatre - "The Evil Spirit" | \$18.00, \$14.00 |  |
| Folk Dancing Display        | \$18.00, \$14.00 |  |
| Youth Concert               | \$15.00, \$10.00 |  |
| Children's Concert          | \$10.00, \$5.00  |  |
| Choir Concert               | \$20.00, \$15.00 |  |
| Variety Concert             | \$15.00, \$10.00 |  |
| Grand Ball                  | \$75.00          |  |



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