

## Cultural week in Grindavík 14.-22. march 2015

held for the seventh time. We want to include as many Poles in it by getting them to participate in visiting art and photograph exhibitions, seminars, concerts and much more.

The main schedules (the whole schedule is in the towns newsletter and on the towns website) are:

### **Saturday, March 14th:**

*Kl. 10:00-17:00* : Free admittance in Kvikan, Hafnargata 12a. Exhibition on saltfish, eruptions/volcanos and the writer Guðberg Bergsson.

*Kl. 10:00-16:00* : Painting exhibition by Pálmar Guðmundsson in the library, Ásabraut 1.

*Kl. 11:00* : A conference to celebrate the fact that women received voting rights in Iceland a 100 years ago. In an auditorium in the new sports center at Austurvegur.

*Kl. 12:00-16:30* : Painting exhibition by the swedish painter Sture Berglund, in Framsóknarhúsinu, Víkurbraut 46.

*Kl. 13:00-17:00* : Painting exhibition by Helga Kristjánsdóttir and three foreign painters, in the shopping center, Víkurbraut 62, second floor.

*Kl. 17:00* : A formal initiation of the cultural week in Grindavíkirkirkju (the towns church). An artist from our town will be nominated. In the end there will be offered food from Poland, Serbia, Thailand and the Philippines.

*Kl. 20:00* : A multicultural festival in Salthúsið. About 3.000 people live in Grindavík, of which more than 300 with foreign nationalities. That group has established a multicultural council which will hold a multicultural festival where they will present four countries that all have in common that a substantial number of their population live in Grindavík. The countries that will be presented are Poland, the old Yugoslavia and Serbia, Thailand and the Philippines. The representatives of these countries will present their history, culture and music. At the end of each presentation there will be questions. Everyone is welcome, no entrance fee.

### **Sunday, March 15th:**

Art and photography exhibitions are all open at the same time.

*Kl. 13:00-15:00* : The new sport center will be open to the public for inspection. This first phase in the development of the sport center in Grindavík is really the center or heart that connects the gymnasium, swimming pool and outdoor sports area together.

*Kl. 19:30-20:30* : The angling club in Grindavík will have a fly-fishing course in the multipurpose gymnasium, in Hópið.

*Kl. 20:00* : Light mass in Grindavíkirkirkju (the towns church). Vox Felix leads the singing.

*Kl. 21:00* : Bryggjan. Jazz concert with TRIO NOR.

### **Monday, March 16th:**

Art and photography exhibitions are open all day.

*Kl. 17:00-19:00* : The music school: Are you interested in creating music on smart devices or computers? Everyone, aged 8-80 years, who are interested in music composing are encouraged to go into room 7 in the music school where teachers and students will instruct people how music can be created in smart devices like iphone, Ipad and iMac.

*Kl. 20:30* : Swedish/Icelandic grand-concert in the music schools hall on the 2nd floor in Iðu. The swedish guitarist Peter O Ekberg along with the swedish singer Alicia Carlestam and icelandic instrumentalists.

### **Tuesday, March 17th:**

Art and photography exhibitions are open all day.

*Kl. 20:00* : The former teacher from Grindavík and photographer Ólafur Rúnar Þorvarðarson took tens of thousands of photographs at that time which he will show.

### **Wednesday, March 18th:**

Art and photography exhibitions are open all day.

*Kl. 18:00-21:00* : TAPAS course with Erni Garðars from Soho catering, in the elementary schools kitchen at Ásabraut. Björk Sverrisdóttir, the schools home economics teacher will be assisting. Listings at [bjorksv@hive.is](mailto:bjorksv@hive.is) (your name and social security number). Price: 5500 kr.

*Kl. 20:30* : Concerts at Café Bryggjan. The singer Dagbjartur Williardsson and guitarist Ásgeir Ásgeirsson will have a concert where the schedule will include songs from all directions, both icelandic and foreign. Free admission.

*Kl. 20:00* : Everyone sing along! Singing evening in Grindvíkurkirkju (the towns church).

The male choir of Grindavík, administrator: Renata Ivan

The choir of Grindavíkurkirkja, administrator: Bjartur Logi Guðnason

Léttisveitin Guðjón. Mixed group of singers and musicians.

Vísiskórinn. The international choir of fish processing choirs with happiness and joy as their priority, administrator: Margrét Pálsdóttir.

Singing group Suðurnesja, administrator: Magnús Kjartansson.

Everyone is welcome, free admission.

### **Thursday, March 19th:**

Art exhibitions are open all day.

*Kl. 18:00* : Café Bryggjan. Fish stomach, lowered fish and Skate are offered. Everyone is welcome.

*Kl. 18:00* : Kvikan. Homestead design. Grindvíkingarnir Ólöf Helga Pálsdóttir Woods, a student in clothing design and Rósa Dögg Þorsteinsdóttir (**ljósameistari**) (lightmaster?) will tell us about their design, the conceptual work and working process up to the final product.

*Kl. 20:00-21:30* : Hópsskóli: Newsflash from the past. Old television images from Grindavík, mainly from the period 1990-2000.

### **Friday, March 20th:**

Art exhibitions are open all day.

### **Saturday, March 21:**

*Kl. 10:00-17:00* : Kvikan. Hafnargata 12a, Exhibition on saltfish, eruptions/volcanos and the writer Guðberg Bergsson.

*Kl. 11:00-13:00* : Multi-chess with the chess club "Þorbjörns soldiers", in the elementary school at Ásabraut.

The chess club "Þorbjörns soldiers" in Grindavík, which is for students in the 4th, 5th and 6th grade, offers all townspeople of all ages to a multi-chess.

*Kl. 13:00-17:00* : Hermmanns in Stakkavík Tractor and cars collection display, at Seljabót 7, 2nd floor (entered above, the window factory PGV on the first floor)

*Kl. 13:00-15:00* : Art workshop for children in Hópsskóla titled WITH THE HEART.

Ages 5 years and older. Participants are asked to register at [halldorag@grindavik.is](mailto:halldorag@grindavik.is) before wednesday March 18th. There will be dance, audio, music, theatre, costume and special effects workshops.

*Kl. 21:00* : Salthúsið: Blues concert with Vinir Dóra.

### **Sunday, March 22nd:**

*Kl. 10:00-17:00* : Kvikan. Hafnargata 12a, Exhibition on saltfish, eruptions/volcanos and the writer Guðberg Bergsson.

*Kl. 14:00* : The library: Grindavíks multicultural council presents four known writers, including a Nobel Poet. The writers come from Poland, Serbia, Thailand and the Philippines. The Icelandic Nobel Poet Halldór Laxness will also be introduced. The presentation will be conducted in Icelandic and it is both for Grindvíkinga that want to get to know writers from distant lands and for residents in Grindavík with foreign citizenship.

*Kl. 14:30-17:00* : Presentation day at Grindavíks Golf Club. SNAG entertainment golf in Hópið. Entertaining golf for players of all ages. Anyone who is interested in getting to know golf and the clubs activity is welcome.

*Kl. 16:00* : Kvikan. Faroese day on behalf of the Nordic Association of Grindavík, in celebration of the Nordic Day in Iceland. There will be a presentation on the Faroese culture and music.

*Kl. 20:00* : The concert hall in the music school: Jón Ólafsson and Gunnar Þórðarsson. Tickets in pre-sale: 2.000 kr. The tickets can be purchased in Aðal-braut (they do not take credit cards). Tickets at the door: 2.500 kr.