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19 NOV

20:00

The Man Who Lived Twice

he scenic podcast “The Man Who Lived Twice” explores the life and contributions of Tonin Guraziu, the first Albanian professional pianist and one of the pioneering figures of Albanian classical music and concert life. Through archival documents, live storytelling and musical performances by lyric artists and renowned pianists, the event brings attention to his artistic legacy and the preservation of Albanian cultural heritage.

U-ART CENTRAL HALL **TIRANA**

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20 — 27 NOV

09:00-17:00

Exhibition: The History of Albania Through the Pen of Ismail Qemali

An exhibition organized in cooperation with Darling Ismail Vlora, Ismail Qemali's great-grandson, presenting an article written by Ismail Qemali and published in the Parisian magazine Je sais tout in 1917, as well as writings about Albania in English and French.

INDEPENDENCE MUSEUM **VLORA**

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21 NOV

11:00

Exhibition Dedicated to Marie Shllaku

On the occasion of the 80th anniversary of her execution, this exhibition commemorates Marie Shllaku's life and work. Organized by the Kosovo State Archives Agency and the General Directorate of Archives of Albania; it highlights her contributions and historical significance.

NATIONAL LIBRARY OF KOSOVO **PRISTINA**



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21 NOV

11:00 - Award Ceremony

International Graphic Art Biennale – Second Edition

An important artistic event bringing together Albanian and international artists. The exhibition is organized into three creative sections: works by international artists, Albanian artists, a dedicated space for graphic artists from Kosovo and the diaspora, and the Pavilion of Masters of Graphic Art.

TIRANA ART GALLERY (GAT) **TIRANA**

20 – 22 NOV

All day

Next Generation 2.0

A cross-border platform bringing together artists, creators and professionals from Albania and Kosovo. The programme includes forums on creative industries, exhibitions, craft fairs, artistic performances and activities promoting Tropoja's cultural and natural heritage, encouraging cooperation and cultural exchange between the two countries.

BAJRAM CURRI **TROPOJA**

21 – 22 NOV

All day

Nationwide Youth Forum – “Foli Shqip”

A forum bringing together young people from Albania, Kosovo, North Macedonia and the Presheva Valley to promote the Albanian language, culture, identity and shared national heritage, while strengthening cooperation among Albanian youth across the region.

TIRANA – POGRADEC – MANASTIR



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22 NOV

11:00

Exhibition: "A Return to Tradition: Albanian Folk Costumes"

An exhibition of photographs featuring traditional attire from Albanian territories, preserved in archival collections.

NATIONAL LIBRARY OF KOSOVO **PRISTINA**

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22 NOV

11:00

Poetry Is Freedom

An event dedicated to Albanian Language Alphabet Day, organized by the Independence Museum in Vlora in cooperation with the Association of Writers and Artists “Petro Marko”

INDEPENDENCE MUSEUM **VLORA**

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22 NOV

11:00

Concert – Albanopolis Ensemble

An artistic programme featuring songs and musical performances celebrating Albanian history, national identity and cultural pride.

“IBRAHIM BËRDAKU” PALACE OF CULTURE **KRUJE**

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23 NOV

11:00

The Bread That Brings Us Together

A celebration of the shared cultural heritage of Kosovo and Albania through bread and traditional flour-based foods. Children, families and young people come together to share memories and traditional recipes. Bread-making traditions are presented through preparation, baking, discussions and music.

HANGART, KINOSTUDIO **TIRANA**



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24 NOV

Performance by the National Ensemble of Songs and Dances

A presentation of Albanian traditions, folklore and choreographic values in Prishtina, in cooperation with the Embassy of the Republic of Albania in Kosovo.

PRISTINA

24 NOV

10:00

Dialogue with History – Exhibition: The Road to Independence

An activity combining the “Dialogue with History” discussion series with the presentation of museum objects and the photographic exhibition “The Road to Independence”, illustrating the historical journey towards Albania's declaration of independence.

“QEMAL STAFA” HIGH SCHOOL **TIRANA**

24 NOV

10:30

Our Traditions Through Traditional Dances, Music and Costumes

Children from the “28 Nëntori” kindergarten in Berat will visit the Ethnographic Museum to explore Albanian cultural heritage through traditional songs, folk dances and costumes. An educational experience promoting the discovery and identification of national traditions.

ETHNOGRAPHIC MUSEUM **BERAT**



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24 NOV

16:00

Commemorative Exhibition: The Signatories of Independence Between Glory and Persecution

On the occasion of the 114th anniversary of Albania's Independence, the exhibition commemorates the signatories of the Declaration of Independence who were later persecuted by the communist regime. It includes previously unpublished documents in Albanian and English, highlighting their personal histories and destinies.

"SHTËPIA ME GJETHE" NATIONAL MUSEUM OF SURVEILLANCE **TIRANA**

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24 NOV

06 DEC

Opening Ceremony: 24 november - 18:00.
Public Visiting Hours: 24 november - 06 december 2026 - 09:00-19:00

Exhibition: Kadare's Kosovo

The exhibition "Kadare's Kosovo" presents documents from Ismail Kadare's personal archives, including unpublished writings, articles and cultural letters dedicated to Kosovo during difficult historical periods. Organized in cooperation with Shtëpia-Studio Kadare.

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SKANDERBEG SQUARE **TIRANA**



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25 NOV

11:00

The Declaration of Independence and the Liberation of Albania: Historical Moments and the Contribution of Patriots from Berat

A historical presentation by historian Marela Guga, highlighting important events, sacrifices and contributions of patriotic figures from Berat. The event aims to increase awareness of historical roots, patriotic values and national identity.

ETHNOGRAPHIC MUSEUM **BERAT**

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25 NOV

11:30

Discovering Ethnography: Traditional Costumes, Characteristic Elements and Distinctive Features

An educational activity involving students from "Themistokli Gërmenji" Secondary School. Through a presentation by an art and history specialist and an artisan, students will explore Albanian traditional costumes, their distinctive features and cultural significance.

MUZEU KOMBËTAR I ARTIT MESJETAR **KORÇA**

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25 NOV

16:00

Concert – "Planeti Ynë" Kindergarten

A thematic concert dedicated to Flag and Independence Day, featuring songs and musical performances celebrating Albanian history, national identity and pride.

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25 NOV

18:00

National Typological Folklore Festival of Rhapsodists and Traditional Instruments

A national folklore festival dedicated to the preservation of traditional Albanian musical heritage through rhapsodic songs and performances on traditional instruments, promoting the values of Albanian folklore across generations.

"DEDË NDUE LAZRI" PALACE OF CULTURE **LEZHE**

26 NOV

10:30

Let's Draw National Symbols

An educational and creative activity involving fifth-grade students from "Stavri Themeli" School. Through drawing national symbols, children will learn about their history, significance and role in shaping national identity.

NATIONAL MUSEUM OF MEDIEVAL ART **KORÇA**

26 NOV

11:00

Concert – Local Education Office

A thematic concert dedicated to Flag and Independence Day, featuring an artistic programme of songs and musical performances celebrating Albanian history, identity and national pride.

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26 NOV

11:30

National Holidays: How Well Do We Know Them and What Do They Mean to Us?

Eleventh-grade students from “Sevasti Qiriazi” School will collaborate with a history and sociology specialist to discuss the historical and social significance of national holidays, their role in strengthening national identity and the values they convey.

NATIONAL MUSEUM OF MEDIEVAL ART **KORÇA**

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26 NOV

11:30

Discovering Patriots and Love for the Homeland

Students will collaborate with a historian to explore prominent Albanian patriotic figures, their contributions to national history and the values of patriotism they represent.

MUSEUM OF EDUCATION **KORÇE**

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26 NOV

12:00

Presenting the Outstanding Figure of Sevasti Qiriazi

A presentation of projects prepared by students, followed by an activity involving both students and teachers.

MUSEUM OF EDUCATION **KORÇE**

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26 NOV

17:00

Concert – QKF Kruja

A thematic concert dedicated to Flag and Independence Day, featuring an artistic programme of songs and musical performances celebrating Albanian history, identity and national pride.

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26 NOV

18:00

Festive Concert – "Red and Black November"

A national-themed concert presented by the National Centre for Children's Culture, showcasing talented children through a varied programme of songs, dances, études and acting performances, promoting Albanian art and culture.

PUPPET THEATRE **TIRANA**

26 NOV

19:00

National Ensemble of Folk Songs and Dances

The National Ensemble brings the atmosphere of national celebrations to fellow Albanians through an artistic journey featuring Albanian traditions, songs and dances, conveying love for the homeland and a strong connection to national roots.

PALACE OF BRIGADES **TIRANA**

27 NOV

18:00

The Tradition That Unites Us

A major festive concert bringing music, songs and dances of Albanian tradition to the heart of the capital. Through rhythms, emotions and a celebratory atmosphere, the event showcases Albania's rich cultural heritage and brings audiences closer to the beauty of Albanian music.

SKANDERBEG SQUARE **TIRANA**



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27 NOV

17:00

Concert – QKF Fushë-Kruja

A thematic concert dedicated to Flag and Independence Day, featuring an artistic programme of songs and musical performances celebrating Albanian history, identity and national pride.

📍 "IBRAHIM BËRDAKU" PALACE OF CULTURE **KRUJE**

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27 NOV – 30 DEC

09:00-19:00

Postcards from the Library

A joint cultural project between the libraries of Tirana and Prishtina, featuring the selection of valuable items from their collections and their presentation in the form of artistic postcards accompanied by historical information and QR codes. The project promotes cultural heritage and exchange between the two cities.

📍 NATIONAL LIBRARY OF ALBANIA **TIRANA**

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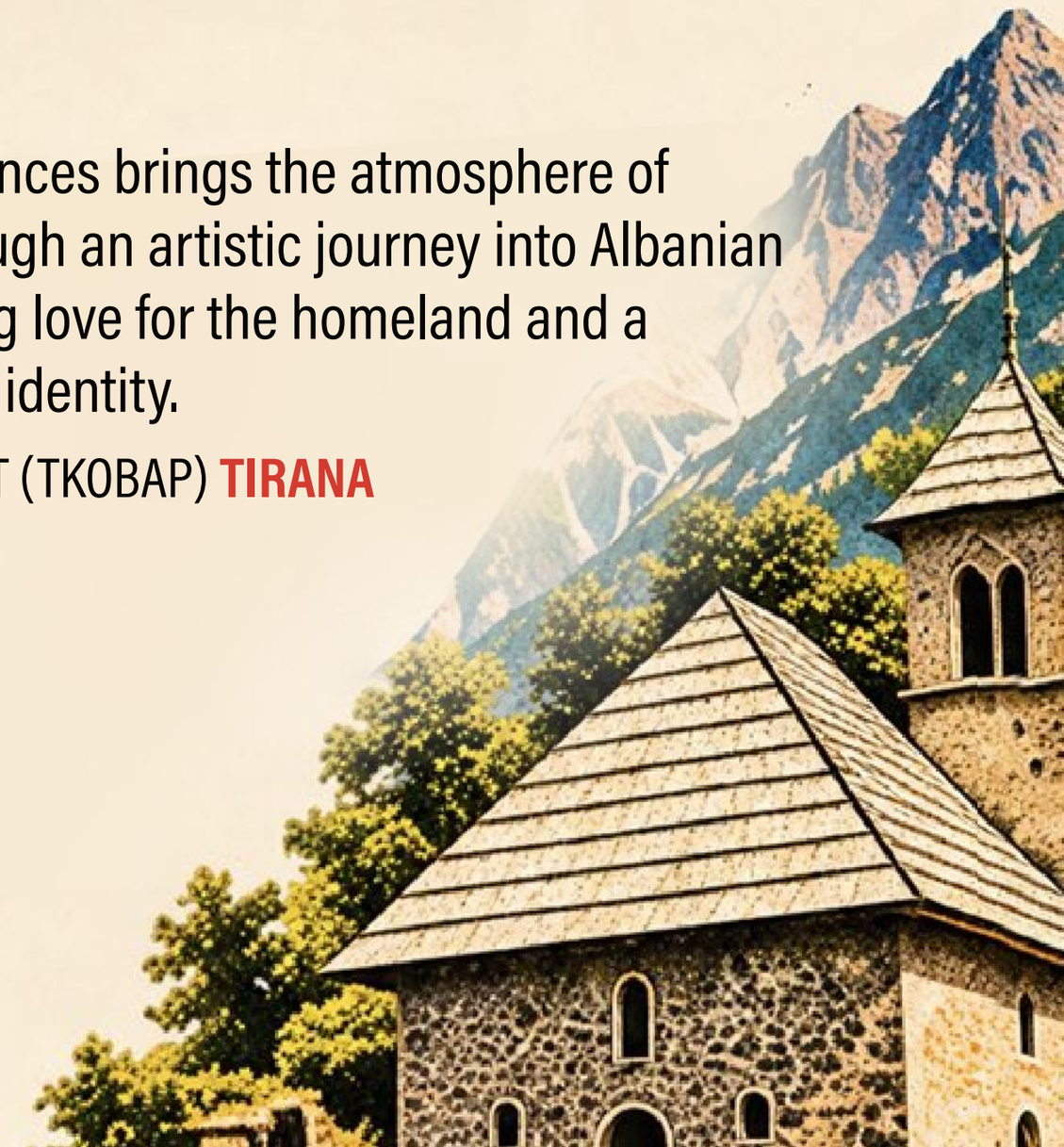
28 NOV

19:00

For You, Homeland

The National Ensemble of Songs and Dances brings the atmosphere of national celebrations to audiences through an artistic journey into Albanian traditions, music and dances, expressing love for the homeland and a strong connection to national roots and identity.

📍 NATIONAL THEATRE OF OPERA AND BALLET (TKOBAP) **TIRANA**



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28 NOV

17:00

Concert – Municipality of Kruja

A thematic concert dedicated to Flag and Independence Day, featuring an artistic programme of songs and musical performances celebrating Albanian history, identity and national pride.

📍 "IBRAHIM BËRDAKU" PALACE OF CULTURE **KRUJE**

28 NOV

17:00

The Pride of the Nation in the Colours of Tradition

A festive cultural event organized in cooperation with the Vlora Region, "Gjoce Stojceski" School of Music in Tetovo and the polyphonic group "Djemtë e Bogonicës". The programme includes traditional polyphonic singing from Vlora, a fashion show and artistic creations inspired by Albanian regional costumes, prepared by students of the school, as well as performances by the QKV artistic group.

📍 COURTYARD OF THE NATIONAL MUSEUM OF INDEPENDENCE **VLORA**

29 NOV

18:00

Open-Air Cinema

An outdoor screening of the film Nëntori i Dytë (The Second November) and the documentary Unë jam Ismail Qemali (I Am Ismail Qemali).

📍 COURTYARD OF THE NATIONAL MUSEUM OF INDEPENDENCE **VLORA**



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29 NOV

19:00

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FLAG SQUARE **VLORA**

30 NOV

18:00

"Quartet in Colors" – Reverie Quartet, String Quartet of the Kosovo Philharmonic

A concert programme featuring performances of works by Albanian and international composers.

NATIONAL THEATRE OF OPERA AND BALLET (TKOBAP) **TIRANA**

01 DEC

11:00

Film Screening: When Spring Comes Late

Produced by Kosovafilm in 1979 and directed by Ekrem Kryeziu, it presents a dramatic chronicle of the Second World War in the Dukagjin Plain. The film depicts the efforts of early partisan groups to organize resistance against fascist and Nazi occupiers, focusing on the sacrifices, dilemmas and struggles of the local population on the path to freedom.

AQSHF DRITA CINEMA **TIRANA**

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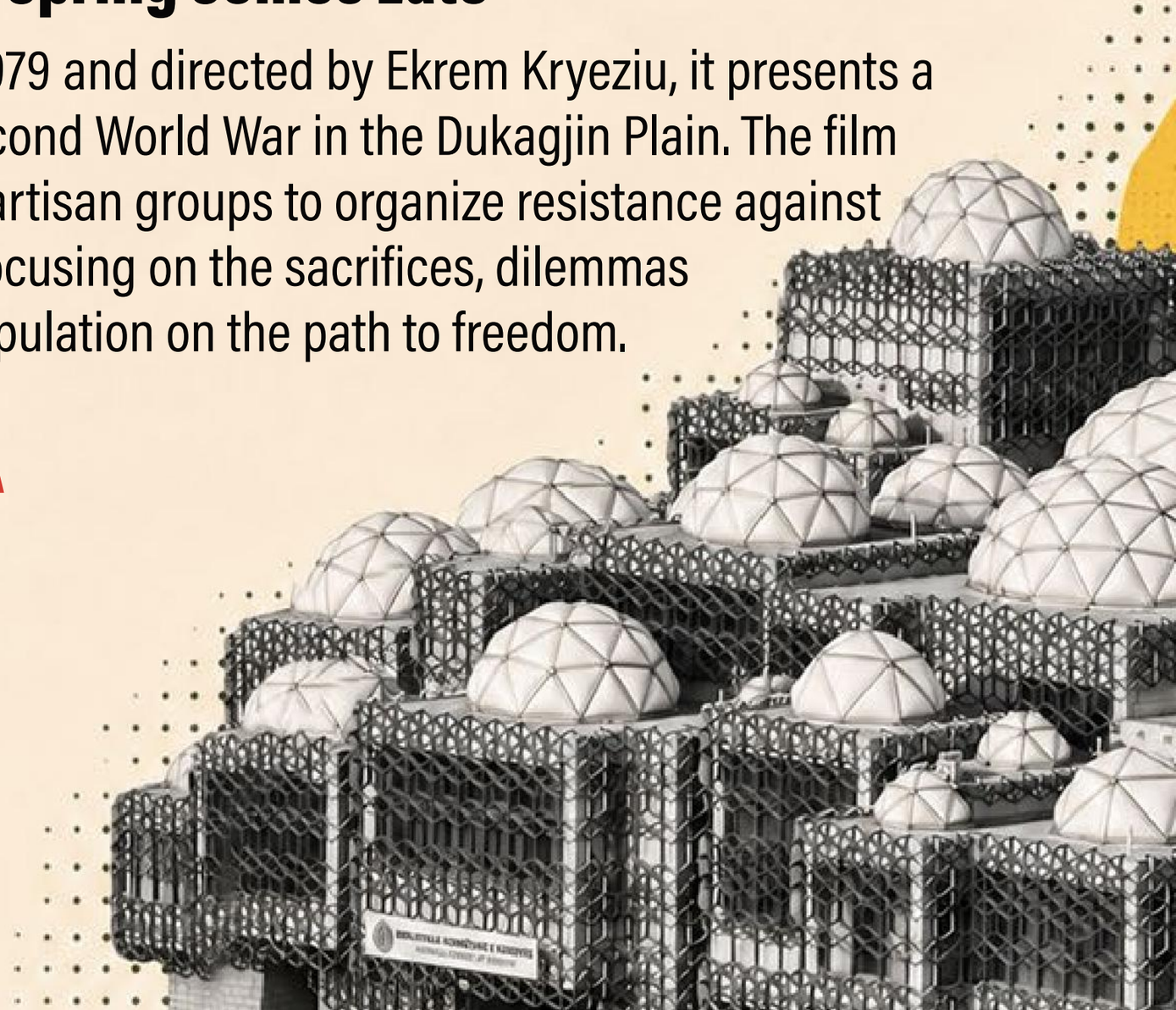

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02 DEC

11:00

Film Screening: The Guards of the Fog

Produced by Kosovafilm in 1988 and directed by Isa Qosja, The Guards of the Fog presents a narrative in which imagery and reality intertwine to reflect a writer's experiences under the restrictions and pressures of a totalitarian regime.

AQSHF DRITA CINEMA **TIRANA**

03 DEC

11:00

Film Screening: Kukumi

Produced in 2006 and directed by Isa Qosja, Kukumi is a black comedy, both poetic and poignant, exploring post-war life in Kosovo. The story follows Kukumi, Mara and Hasan, three individuals who leave a psychiatric hospital and begin a journey in search of a place where they can feel accepted. Through their experiences, the film explores the difficulties of adaptation and the search for identity and belonging in a society emerging from war.

AQSHF DRITA CINEMA **TIRANA**

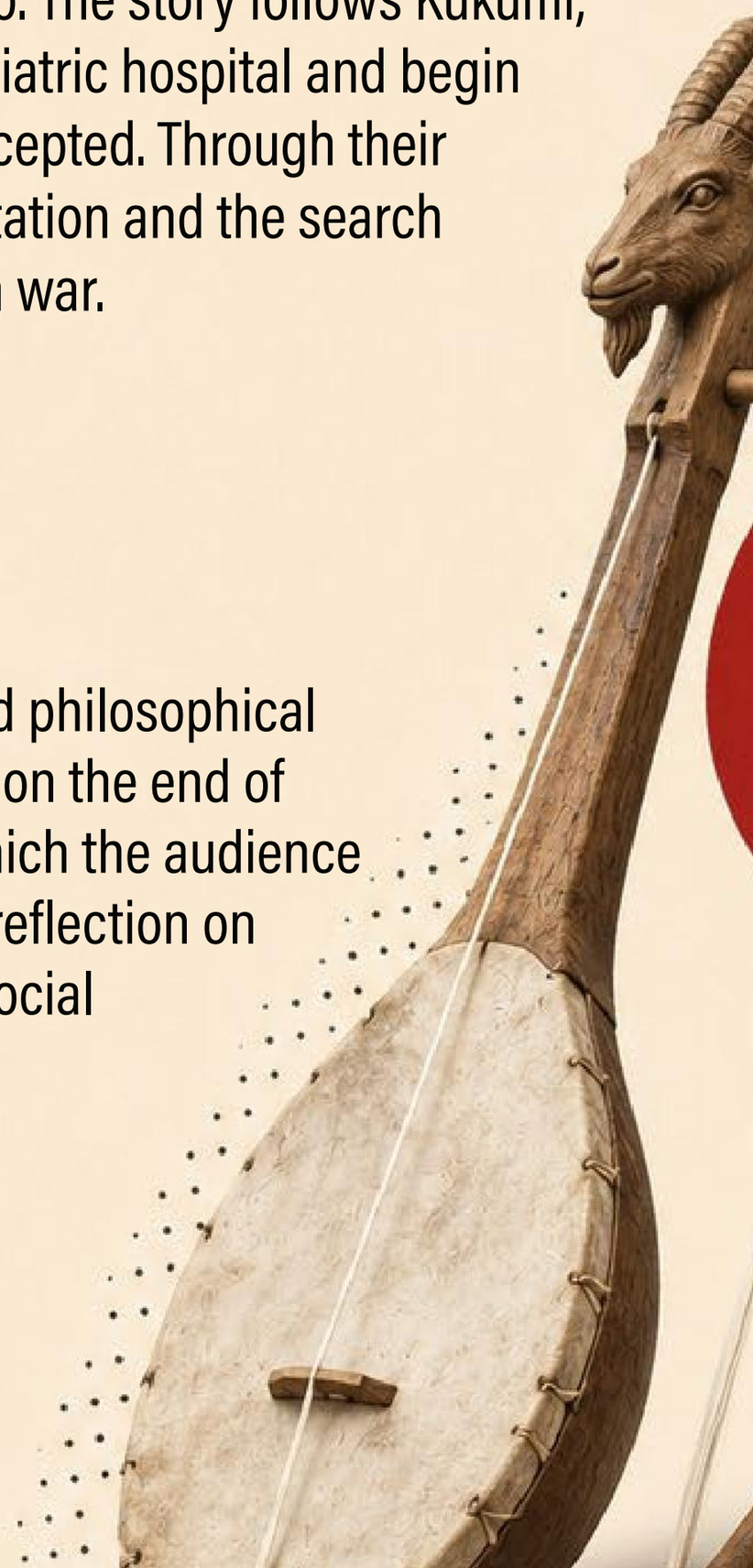
03 DEC

20:00

Theatre Performance: GOD

The theatrical performance explores ethical, legal and philosophical dilemmas surrounding an individual's right to decide on the end of their own life. Through a courtroom proceeding in which the audience becomes an active participant, the play encourages reflection on individual freedom, human dignity and the limits of social responsibility..

EXPERIMENTAL THEATRE **TIRANA**



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03 DEC

19:00

Festival: Nights of Albanian Music

A concert performed by the String Orchestra of the National Theatre of Opera and Ballet, presenting a musical programme featuring works by Albanian composers from Albania and Kosovo, promoting Albanian musical creativity and heritage.

NATIONAL THEATRE OF OPERA AND BALLET (TKOBAP) **TIRANA**

04 DEC

19:00

Film Screening: The House of the Nation

Written and produced by Helena Halilaj and directed by Burim Haliti, recounts the exodus of Kosovo Albanians during the 1999 war and the extraordinary hospitality extended by the residents of Kukës. Through interviews, archival materials and artistic recreations, the documentary highlights the solidarity and humanity shown to thousands of Kosovar families who found refuge in Albania.

MILLENNIUM CINEMA **TIRANA**

05 DEC

11:00

Catalogue of Albanian Contemporary Art – 2026

The launch of the second edition directed by Ylli Drishti under the supervision of Professor Gazmend Leka, with contributions from a committee of art critics and curators. The catalogue documents and promotes the work of Albanian artists in Albania, the region and the diaspora, covering different genres of visual art from the second half of the twentieth century through 2026.

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