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SUPERB INTERPRETATION OF RUSSIAN MASTERS AT THE RECTOR'S PALACE

Standing Ovation for the Croatian Radio and Television Choir and Tomislav Fačini

Dubrovnik, 26 July 2019 – Croatian Radio and Television Choir, under the baton of their principal conductor and the Festival's own Assistant Artistic Director for Music maestro **Tomislav Fačini**, gave a breath-taking performance last night, 25 July, in the Rector's palace atrium. The evening's programme included the most beautiful Russian Orthodox choral literature: selections from **Sergey Rachmaninov's** *All-Night Vigil* and *Three Choruses* by **Georgy Sviridov**.

The Croatian Radio and Television Choir's last performed at the Dubrovnik Summer Festival and the Rector's Palace over ten years ago. Thus, their performance last evening garnered particular attention. The Choir - at their best and in an exuberant mood, with the best of acoustics in the Rector's palace atrium – ensured an unforgettable festival evening for all concertgoers. The audiences, both foreign and local, were enchanted by the master vocal interpretations of the Choir and their exceptional soloists Monika Cerovčec, Nikolina Virgej, Mladen Klepo, Daniela Perosa, Franko Klisović, Stjepan Franetović and Miloš Gašić. The deserved thunderous applause and ovations went on for some time so the triumphant musicians performed an encore – the well-known and often performed as a standalone movement *Rejoice, O Virgin* from the *All-Night Vigil*.

The music programme of the 70th Dubrovnik Summer Festival continues on Tuesday 30 July when the Esperanza Ensemble, comprised of talented young musicians with soloists Sara Domjanić and Dmytro Choni will perform in the Rector's palace atrium, at 9.30pm. Tickets are available for purchase at the Dubrovnik Summer Festival website www.dubrovnik-festival.hr or via www.ulaznice.hr ticketing service and at the box office of the Festival Palace (Od Sigurate 1) every day from 9am to 9.30pm. All residents of Dubrovnik-neretva county are offered a 30% discount on all tickets. Purchases made with Mastercard® and Maestro® cards receive a 10% discount while all purchases and orders over 500 kuna receive a 30% discount voucher for Festival souvenirs.

The Dubrovnik Summer Festival – the centre of Croatian and global spirit and culture, a place of creation and not just a place of visit, a place of community, ideas and new artistic expressions, is traditionally supported this year by the Ministry of Culture of the Republic of Croatia, the City of Dubrovnik, the Dubrovnik-neretva county and numerous other sponsors and benefactors who helped bring this most prestigious cultural event in Croatia to fruition.

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