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Troubadour spirit brought to life - ovations for Klapa Kaše and guests

Klapa Kaše and the Dubrovnik Symphony Orchestra conducted by a maestro Đelo Justić, along with Klapa Neverin, Davor Erceg, Suzi Sokol and Kruno Težak as guests of the concert, performed songs by Dubrovnik Troubadours, last night, 15th July on the Ruđer Bošković square which was the official opening of new Dubrovnik Festival off programme entitled *Evening Serenades*.

Klapa Kaše is one of the most awarded Croatian acapella groups in the last several years with two main awards at the most prestigious klapa festival in Omiš in 2012 and 2014 and five awards won at the International Klapa Festival in Perast this year. Their new record *Troubadour Songs Performed by Klapa Kaše - Pusti da ti leut svira*, klapa recorded with the Dubrovnik Symphony Orchestra conducted by Đelo Jusić. That was the motive for the concert where the most popular compositions by Dubrovnik Troubadours and Đelo Jusić which marked the history of Croatian pop music were performed.

Among them were *Pusti da ti leut svira*, *Dalmatinski lero*, *Lula starog kapetana*, *Nikoleta*, *Jedan dan* and many others. Audience applauded every single performance, enjoying the sounds of well-known melodies. Unannounced appearance of ex-troubadour Luciano Lući Capurso caused a standing ovations of the audience that joined him for a performance of *La musica di notte*. Premiere performance of Vicko Dragojević's *Ajmo još jednu* to lyrics written by Davor Mojaš and arranged by Đelo Justić, showed that troubadour spirit still lives and has a bright future.

The concept of the Festivals new off programme *Evening serenades* sponsored by Croatia osiguranje, was inspired by folk expression of the urban areas that, over time, inspired by the team of poets, composers and interpreters, transformed into a musical and a poetic category of the typical regional cultures. Such traditional music related to different cities and cultures, after the performance by Klapa Kaše, will also be perfomed by Ibrica Jusić, 7th July at Skočibuha Summer Residence, guests from Boka Kotorska, 8th August at Srā amphitheater, Amira Medunjanin with the Dubrovnik Symphony Orchestra and conducted by Mladen Tarbuk on 10th August on the Revelin Fort terrace, Hungarian violin virtuoso Roby Lakatos with an ensemble on 12th August, also on the Revelin Fort terrace, while Tereza Kesovija will perform the most beautiful French chansons at the Skočibuha Summer Residence on 19th August.



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