

LIST OF EVENTS IN CYPRUS 2010

Compiled by Cyprus Tourism Organisation in December 2009. See list of useful contacts at the end of the document. You can follow updated list of events in the website www.visitcyprus.com under EVENTS

JANUARY

January
3, 10, 17, 24, 31

Musical Sundays

A series of cultural events with traditional songs and dances, classical, contemporary music and happenings, organised by the Cyprus Tourism Organisation in Lemesos (Agios Tychonas), Larnaka and Pafos.

January 6

EPIPHANY

Epiphany is one of the most important religious celebrations of the year. Following a special Mass at the Cathedral of each town, a religious procession takes place down to the sea, at around 10.30 hrs, leading to a ceremonial baptism of the Holy Cross into the sea. During the ceremony the Bishop throws the Holy Cross into the sea and young men dive into the water to retrieve the cross and return it to the priest.

Religious celebrations in all seaside towns:

Lemesos (Limassol): Agia Napa Church – Lemesos old port

Larnaka: Agios Lazaros Church – Larnaka marina pier

Pafos: Theoskepasti Church – Pafos harbour

Polis: Agios Andreas Church – Latsi fishing shelter

Agia Napa: Agia Napa Church – Agia Napa harbour

January 6

All Star Game

Organised by Marfin Laiki Bank and the Cyprus Football Association, Tel.: 22352341, e-mail: cyprusfa@cytanet.com

January
7, 14, 21, 28

Agia Napa Cultural Winter

Dance and music performances every Thursday, organised by the Agia Napa Municipality (tel. 23816307) and the Cyprus Tourism Organisation.

January
1,8, 15, 22, 29

Paralimni Cultural Winter

Music performances every Friday in Paralimni, organised by the Paralimni Municipality (tel. 23819300) and the Cyprus Tourism Organisation.

January 8, 27

European Limassol Festival

Organisers: Rialto Theatre

Venue: Rialto Theatre in Lemesos (tel.77777745)

- January 9 – 15 **New Year International Regatta – Cyprus 2010**
Organised by the Cyprus Yachting Association at the Cyprus Yachting Association Sailing Centre, in Lemesos, tel. 25320559
www.cya.org.cy, e-mail: cyacyp@cytanet.com.cy
- January **European Cultural Winter in Larnaka**
Music, dance & theatre with the participation of soloists and ensembles from Cyprus and abroad at the Larnaka Municipal Theatre organised by the Larnaka Municipality (tel. 24657745)
- FEBRUARY**
- February 4 – 14 **CARNIVAL**
Carnival is a ten-day period of fun and eating, prior to fifty days of fasting, before Easter. During the first week called Meat Week, it is allowed to eat meat, whereas during the second week known as Cheese Week, only cheese and other dairy products are consumed. Carnival festivities begin on Thursday of the Meat Week. Carnival parades and fancy–dress balls are very popular and take place in Lemesos and Pafos.
Lemesos (Limassol):
February 4: Entrance of King Carnival in the town
February 7: Children’s Carnival Parade
February 13: Serenaders’ Parade in the town centre
February 14: The Grand Carnival Parade of chariots and groups of people along Makarios III Ave.
Pafos:
February 4: Entrance of King Carnival, at the commercial centre of Pafos
February 13: Carnival Parade of chariots and groups of people along Poseidonos Ave.
- February
4, 11, 18, 25 **Agia Napa Cultural Winter**
Dance and music performances every Thursday, organised by the Agia Napa Municipality (tel. 23816307) and the Cyprus Tourism Organisation.
- February
5, 12, 19, 26 **Paralimni Cultural Winter**
Music performances every Friday in Paralimni, organised by the Paralimni Municipality (tel. 23819300) and the Cyprus Tourism Organisation
- February
6,13, 20, 27 **Musical Saturdays**
A series of cultural events with traditional songs and dances, classical, contemporary music and happenings organised by the Cyprus Tourism Organisation and Lefkosia Municipality in the old town of Lefkosia (end of Ledra street).
- February
7, 14, 21, 28 **Musical Sundays**
A series of cultural events with traditional songs and dances, classical, contemporary music and happenings, organised by the Cyprus Tourism Organisation in Lemesos (Agios Tychonas), Larnaka and Pafos.

- February 15 **GREEN MONDAY (50 days before the Greek Easter)**
 The first day of Lent, is a day of joy, laughter and vegetarian picnics. Green Monday is followed by a fifty days fasting period, during which Christians prepare themselves to receive the Redeemer, shunning meat and dairy products and living on a vegetarian diet.
 Events and activities take place in all towns and villages:
 Agia Napa: Cape Gkreko
 Larnaka: Tekke Grove
 Pafos: Kato Pafos (Faros Beach)
 Pervolia village (Larnaka District): Rigena Medieval Tower (tel.:24423330)
 Polis: Polis Municipal Beach
- February 21 **Cycling Race – “Sunshine Cup #1”**
Class 1 Men Elite & Women Elite
 Organisers: Cyprus Cycling Federation
 Venue: Voroklini village, Ammochostos District - Tel. 96512811
 E-Mail: info@mtbcyprus.com, www.mtbcyprus.com
- February 21 **International Tourist Guides’ Day**
 Special guided tours offered by the Cyprus Tourist Guides Association, tel. 22765755
- February 23 **European Limassol Festival**
 Organisers: Rialto Theatre
 Venue: Rialto Theatre in Lemesos (tel.77777745)
- February 26 - 28 **“Sunshine Cup #2 - Afxentia 2010 Stage Race”**
Cycling Race - Class 1 Men Elite, Women Elite & Junior Men
 Organisers: Cyprus Cycling Federation
 Venue: Machairas Forest, Lefkosia District - Tel. 96512811
 E-mail: info@mtbcyprus.com, www.mtbcyprus.com
- February 28 **Limassol International Marathon 2010 - GSO**
 The Gymnastic Club “TA OLYMPIA” (GSO), is hosting for a third consecutive year an International Marathon that will take place in Lemesos (Limassol). For further information:
 tel.:25387370, www.limassolmarathon.com,
gsolympia@cytanet.com.cy
- February **European Cultural Winter in Larnaka**
 Music, dance & theatre with the participation of soloists and ensembles from Cyprus and abroad at the Larnaka Municipal Theatre organised by the Larnaka Municipality (tel. 24657745)
- February **Festival of the Almond Tree**
 Limnatis village, Lemesos District, tel. 25432922, 99687265

MARCH

March
4, 11, 18, 25

Agia Napa Cultural Winter

Dance and music performances organised by the Agia Napa Municipality (tel. 23816307) and the Cyprus Tourism Organisation.

March 5 - 7

10th Platform of Contemporary Dance

Cyprus' greatest contemporary dance event: this is a unique opportunity for the public to acquaint itself with the latest works of Cypriot choreographers and dancers.

Organisers: The Cultural Services of the Ministry of Education and Culture and the Rialto Theatre

Venue: Rialto Theatre in Lemesos (Limassol), (tel.77777745)

March
5,12,19
25 (Thursday)

Paralimni Cultural Winter

Music performances every Friday in Paralimni, organised by the Paralimni Municipality (tel. 23819300) and the Cyprus Tourism Organisation

March 6 – 7

34th Troodos International FIS Races 2010

Organised by the Cyprus Ski Federation at Dias Slope, Troodos. For further information: tel.: 22449837, e-mail: csf@cyprusski.com, website: www.cyprusski.com

March
6,13, 20, 27

Musical Saturdays

A series of cultural events with traditional songs and dances, classical, contemporary music and happenings organised by the Cyprus Tourism Organisation and Lefkosia Municipality in the old town of Lefkosia (end of Ledra street).

March
7, 14, 21, 28

Musical Sundays

A series of cultural events with traditional songs and dances, classical, contemporary music and happenings, organised by the Cyprus Tourism Organisation in Lemesos (Agios Tychonas), Larnaka and Pafos.

March 7

Cycling Race – “Sunshine Cup #3”

Class 1 Men Elite & Women Elite

Organisers: Cyprus Cycling Federation

Venue: Amathous, Lemesos District - Tel. 96512811

E-mail: info@mtbcyprus.com, www.mtbcyprus.com

- March 10, 24 **European Limassol Festival**
Organisers: Rialto Theatre
Venue: Rialto Theatre in Lemesos (tel.77777745)
- March 14 **Cyprus Marathon, Half Marathon & 10km**
Organised by NIKI Sports Management in Pafos, tel. 22370396, 99357358, e-mail: run@cyprusmarathon.com
www.cyprusmarathon.com
- March 20 – 21 **Cycling Race – Aphrodite Trophy (Tochni Village)**
Organised by the Cyprus Cycling Federation (TBC), (tel. 99694900), www.mtbcyprus.com
E-Mail: ccf@cytanet.com.cy.
- March 20 – 21 **Spring Historic Car Rally**
Organised by the Friends of Historic & Old Cars of Cyprus.
For further information: tel. 22446614, 22313233
- March 22 – 29 **Shooting - Cyprus Grand Prix in Trap, Skeet, Double Trap**
Organised by the Cyprus shooting Federation (22449820)
- March 25 **Greek National Day**
Student parades in all towns
- March 25 – 28 **Cycling-Tour of Cyprus 2010**
The 2010 ToC will be open to international participants. Cyclists will complete a tour of approximately 400 km. Amateur riders will do the same routes with lower speeds and no time taking sections and in certain cases they will be doing shorter rides. All riders have the option to complete as many ToC stages as they wish. The entire ride will be fully-supported. The event is organised by the “Podilatokinisi” cycling club. For further information: tel.: 99459331, www.tourofcyprus.com
- March 27 **Saint Lazarus’ Day**
A special mass is held in memory of St Lazarus, the Patron Saint and first Bishop of Larnaka, followed by an impressive procession of the saint's icon with music and the clergy dressed in all their splendour, going from Agios Lazaros Church along the palm-lined sea front promenade and other main streets of Larnaka.
Organised by St Lazarus Church and the Larnaka Municipality, tel. 24657745 or 24629333
- March 29 – 31 **Byzantine Days**
Byzantine ecclesiastical music at the Larnaka Municipal Theatre & the St. Lazarus Church.
Organised by the Larnaka Municipality & St. Lazarus Church, tel. 24657745 or 24629333

March

European Cultural Winter in Larnaka

Music, dance & theatre with the participation of soloists and ensembles from Cyprus and abroad at the Larnaka Municipal Theatre organised by the Larnaka Municipality (tel. 24657745)

APRIL

April 2 – 5

GREEK ORTHODOX EASTER

Easter the biggest Greek Orthodox religious feast is celebrated in Cyprus with great solemnity. Evening services take place throughout the Holy Week.

Good Friday - April 2

A procession of decorated Sepulchres takes place in all parishes at around 20:30.

Easter Saturday - April 3

At midnight an open-air mass takes place in every church.

EASTER SUNDAY & MONDAY- April 4 - 5

On Easter Sunday and Monday afternoons traditional games are organised in towns and villages:

Lefkosia (Nicosia) District: Kourdali, Spilia, Galata, Saranti, Kakopetria, Evrychou, Askas and Lythrodontas villages

Lemesos (Limassol) District: Lemesos town, Agios Tychonas, Pano Polemidia (tel. 25397451), Sykopetra (tel. 99254453), Kellaki (tel. 99843225), Pissouri (tel. 25222292), Episkopi (tel. 25932750), Anogyra (tel. 99411082) Akapnou (25323006), Akrounta (25326091) and Agros villages.

Larnaka District: Lefkara Municipality (tel. 24342822), Pervolia village (tel. 24423330),

Pafos District: Pafos town, Geroskipou, Tala, Kathikas, Tsada, Kissonerga, Stroumbi, Neo Chorio and Letympou villages.

Famagusta District: Agia Napa, Frenaros, Paralimni, Deryneia and Achna villages

Easter Tuesday – April 7

Organised by Polis Municipality, Pafos District, tel. 26321321

April 6 – 30

Festival of Classical Music 2010

International Piano Competition of the Evangelia Tjjarri Foundation

(10th–12th April) classical music events with the participation of soloists, choirs, orchestras and ensembles from Cyprus and abroad at the Larnaka Municipal Theatre organised by Larnaka Municipality

Organised by the Larnaka Municipality, at the Larnaka Municipal Theatre, tel. 24657745

April 7 – 9

Berengaria 8th Classical Music Festival

Organised by the Rialto Theatre, at the Rialto Theatre in Lemesos (Limassol), tel. 77777745

- April
10, 17, 24
- Musical Saturdays**
A series of cultural events with traditional songs and dances, classical, contemporary music and happenings organised by the Cyprus Tourism Organisation and Lefkosia Municipality in the old town of Lefkosia (end of Ledra street).
- April
11, 18, 25
- Musical Sundays and more ...**
A series of cultural events with traditional songs and dances, classical, contemporary music and happenings, organised by the Cyprus Tourism Organisation in Lemesos (Agios Tychonas), Larnaka and Pafos.
- April 12 – 18
- Cyprus Film Days 2010**
The 8th edition of the international film festival 'Cyprus Film Days', organized by the Ministry of Education and Culture and the Rialto Theatre, will take place at the Rialto Theatre in Lemesos (tel. 77777745) and the Pantheon Art Cinema in Lefkosia (tel. 22675787). The festival's program features a selection of award winning films from all over the world.
- April 21 – 23
- Flower Festival at the Church of Agia Kyriaki - Kato Pafos**
Displays of flowers depicting passages from the Bible, created by members of the Anglican and Catholic churches of Pafos
For more information, tel. 26652946 or 26422380, 26953044
- April 24 – 30
- Sailing-European Laser Master 2010**
Organised by the Cyprus Sailing Association in Lemesos.
Tel: 25320559, www.cya.org.cy
- April 27
- European Limassol Festival**
Organisers: Rialto Theatre
Venue: Rialto Theatre in Lemesos (tel.77777745)

MAY

- May 1 - 7 **Tennis – Cyprus Seniors 2010**
Organised by the Cyprus Tennis Federation, (tel. 22449860)
- May
1, 8, 15, 22, 29 **Musical Saturdays**
A series of cultural events with traditional songs and dances, classical, contemporary music and happenings organised by the Cyprus Tourism Organisation and Lefkosia Municipality in the old town of Lefkosia (end of Ledra street).
- May 7 – 16 **35th Cyprus International Fair**
A general trade fair with a variety of consumer and industrial products, organised at the Cyprus International Fair Grounds in Lefkosia, tel. 22352918, www.csfa.org.cy,
E-mail: csfa@cytanet.com.cy
- May 8&9, 15&16 **Flower Festival (ANTHESTIRIA)**
“Anthestiria” is a celebration for the coming of Spring and the renewal of nature and life dating back to Ancient Greece. The programme includes amongst others a Flower exhibition and a parade of group of people and chariots.
Lemesos – Germasogeia: 8 – 9/5/2010, celebrations organised by the Germasogeia Municipality, tel. 25879898
Saturday: Flower exhibition and market at the Potamos Germasogeias parking place
Sunday: Parade of groups of people and chariots decorated with flowers, along the coast road starting from the Apollonia Hotel towards Germasogeia Police Station
Larnaka: 9/5/2010, parade of flower decorated floats, and groups, festive program & fireworks at the Athens Avenue & the Seafront Stage organised by Larnaka Municipality, tel. 24657745 or 24629333
Pafos: 15-16/5/2010 celebrations and parade along Poseidonos Avenue, organised by the Pafos Municipality, tel. 26932014
- May 13 – 15 **22nd International Historic Car Rally**
Organised by the Friends of Historic & Old Cars of Cyprus.
For further information: tel. 22446614, 22313233,
www.fipa-cyprus.org
- May 15 – 16 **Rose Festival**
Organised by Agros Community board (Lemesos District)
tel.25521333

May 22 – 24

PENTECOST- KATAKLYSMOS (Flood Festival)

“Kataklysmos” is a religious and popular feast celebrated only in Cyprus. “Kataklysmos”, which means flood, is found in the book of Genesis and in the Greek myth of Deukalion. In both cases it refers to the destruction by flood of almost all living creatures in order to give birth to a new and moral generation. The ceremonies last for a few days and take place in all seaside towns. Celebrations include various games, folk dances, swimming competitions and boat races.

Festivities in all seaside towns:

Larnaka: 21 – 26/5/10 - music, dance, poetry, theatre, cultural and athletical competitions, firework shows on 21st & 24th May at the Larnaca Seafront, organised by Larnaca Municipality, tel. 24657745

Lemesos: 22 – 24/5/10 at the Seafront Promenade (west of the Municipal Gardens), organised by the Lemesos Municipality, tel. 25745919 or 25343120

Agia Napa: 22 – 24/5/10 at Agia Napa harbour, organised by the Agia Napa Municipality tel.23816307

Paralimni: 23/5/10 at Fig Tree Bay

Pafos: 22 – 24/5/10 at Castle square, Kato Pafos, organised by the Pafos Municipality, tel.26932014

Polis: 22 – 24/5/10 at Latsi fishing shelter, organised by the Polis Municipality, tel. 26321321

May (end)

10th Annual Pharos International Chamber Music Festival

Organised by the Pharos Trust at the PASYDY Auditorium in Lefkosia. The Festival welcomes to Cyprus several accomplished chamber musicians from the current international circuit, performing a range of works for strings and piano. For further information: The Pharos Trust, tel.22663871, www.thepharostrust.org

May - June

International Children’s Day

- May 30: 16th Children’s Festival, organised by the Agia Napa Municipality
- June : Festivities in Larnaka town, at the Seafront Stage (tel. 24657745)

JUNE

June 1 – 30

13th European Dance Festival

A feast of contemporary dance meets all the trends, the dynamics and the new forms of the international contemporary scene. The increased level of participation by EU member states is a clear indication that the Dance Festival is becoming an annual highlight of the European arts and culture scene.

Organisers: The Ministry of Education and Culture and the Rialto Theatre. In cooperation with the Embassies and Cultural Centres of the participate countries

Venue: Rialto Theatre in Lemesos (tel.77777745)

June
13, 20, 27

Agia Napa Summer Cultural Events

Music and Dancing Performances, organised every Sunday by the Agia Napa Municipality, tel. 23816307.

June 15 – 21

The European Championships in Compak Sporting

Organised by the Cyprus Shooting Federation. Tel. 22449820 at the Shooting Range of Parekklesia village (Lemesos District) www.cssf-shooting.org

June 18 – 20

Shakespeare Festival at Kourion

Organised by the Performing Arts for Cyprus Charities, at the Kourion Ancient Theatre. The William Shakespeare performance for 2010 will be "The Merchant of Venice".

For further information: tel. 99427572

June 21

Day of Music

Musical happenings at all towns.

June 25

Geroskipou Delight Day

Organised at the central square of Geroskipou village. Tel. 26962324

June

Cherry Festival

Platanistasa village, Lefkosia District, tel. 99698186

JULY

- July 1 – 30 **Paralimni Summer Cultural Events**
Organised by Paralimni Municipality, tel. 23819300.
Venue: Paralimni Open Air Theatre Time: 21.00
- July 1 - 2 **World Famous Musicals**
The concert re-visits the best moments from some of the world's favourite musicals.
Organisers: Larnaka Municipality, tel. 24657745 or 24629333
Venue: Pattichion Municipal Amphitheatre
- July 3 **Water ski - 7th International Cyprus Cup 2010**
Organised by the Cyprus Water ski Federation in Polemidia Reservoir, Lemesos District, www.Cypruswaterski.org.cy
- July 3 – 4 **5th Historic Car Rally 2010 Platres**
Organised by the Friends of Historic & Old Cars of Cyprus.
For further information: tel. 22446614, 22313233
- July 4 - 31 **Larnaka International Summer Festival 2010**
Music, theatre, dance & poetry with the participation of soloists and ensembles from Cyprus and abroad at the Pattichion Municipal Amphitheatre, Medieval Castle, Marina Pier and other historical places of Larnaka organised by Larnaka Municipality, tel. 24657745, 24629333
- July
4, 11, 18, 25 **Agia Napa Summer Cultural Events**
Music and Dancing Performances, organised every Sunday by the Agia Napa Municipality, tel. 23816307.
- July 22 – 25 **Mediterranean Waterpolo Cup 2010**
Organised by the Cyprus Swimming Federation in Lemesos
Tel.: 22449840, www.koek.org.cy
- July **Koumandaria Festival**
Organised by the communities of the Kourris Valley and Xylourikou (Alassa, Agios Georgios Silikou, Doros, Laneia, Monagri, Silikou, Agios Mamas, Apesia, Kapileio, Korfi and Limnatis), tel. 99606641
- July (end) **CYPRUS FIVB CHALLENGER 2010**
International Beach Volley Championship
Organised by the Sun Atlantis Sport Events and the Geroskipou Municipality, at the CTO Tourist Beach in Geroskipou, Pafos area.
For further information: tel. 26964525, www.sun-atlantis.com

- July **Cultural Month of Mountain Resorts**
Venue: Pano Platres, Kato Platres, Foini, Mandria, Omodos, Pera Pedi, Koilani, Kouka and Moniatis villages, Lemesos District, tel. 25422453, (contact person: Mr Eugenios Michael, tel: 99605463)
- July **14TH INTERNATIONAL THEATRE FESTIVAL ANCIENT GREEK DRAMA 2009**
An annual international theatre festival that hosts professional productions of ancient Greek drama from different cultures around the world. Organisers: Cyprus Centre of International Theatre Institute, tel. 22674920, www.cyprus-theatre-iti.org
Venues: Kourion Ancient Theatre, Makarios III Amphitheatre in Lefkosia and Pafos Ancient Odeon
- July **The Great Ballet Companies**
The Ballet Festival is ranked among the most important events in Cyprus attracting great numbers of both local and foreign visitors.
Organisers: Lemesos Municipality, tel. 25745919 or 25343120
Venue: Municipal Garden Theatre in Lemesos (Limassol).
- July **Summer Cultural Events**
Organised by the Lemesos (Limassol) Municipality, at the Lemesos Medieval Castle, tel. 25745919 or 25343120
- July **Cultural evenings 2010**
Organised by the Aradippou Municipality, at Kostas Kaimakliotis Folkloric Museum, tel. 24811017
- July **Amathusia Festival**
Organised by the Agios Tychonas Community Board at the Agora of Ancient Amathous, tel. 25323567
- July **International Folk Dances Festival**
Pissouri village, Lemesos District, tel. 25222292
- July **Summer Cultural Events**
Organised by the Germasogeia Municipality, tel. 25879898
- July **5th Ethnic Festival at Heroes' Square**
Music groups from all over the world, organised by the Rialto Theatre, tel. 7777745
- July **Village Festivals:**

- *Alithinou Village*, Lefkosia District, tel. 99687228
- *Askas village* Lefkosia District, tel. 99636534
- *Palaichori village*, Lefkosia District, tel. 99429969
- *Arsos Village*, Lemesos District, tel. 25943223
- *Episkopi Village*, Lemesos District, tel. 25932750
- *Vasa Koilaniou*, Lemesos District, tel. 25942634
- *Aradippou village*, Larnaka District, tel. 24811017
- *Kissonerga village*, Pafos District, tel. 26948775
- *Frenaros village*, Ammochostos District

July

Resi Festival

Letymbou village, Pafos District, tel. 99526332

AUGUST

August

1, 8, 14, 15, 22,29

Agia Napa Summer Cultural Events

Music and Dancing performances, organised by the Agia Napa Municipality, tel.23816307

August 1 - 20

Paralimni Summer Cultural Events

Organised by Paralimni Municipality, tel. 23819300
Venue:” Lefkola” and “Melizona” squares at Protaras Avenue

August 21 - 23

32nd Festival “Dionysia 2010”

Stroumbi village, Pafos District, tel. 26633109

August

30th Lefkara Cultural Festival

Organised by the Lefkara Municipality at Lefkara village, Larnaka District, tel. 24342822

August

5th Euro- Mediterranean Folkloric Festival

Traditional dances from various countries organised by the Lemesos Municipality, tel.25745919

August

10th Cultural Festival of Southern Marathasa (Troodos Mountains)

Organised by the communities of Lemithou, Agios Demetrios, Treis Elies Lemesos District, tel. 25462808

August

Platres Cultural August

Cultural Events (throughout August) organised by the Community Board of Pano Platres at the community’s central square, tel. 25813112

August

Pafia Aphrodite Festival

Organised by the Koukليا Community Board at Koukليا village, Pafos District, tel. 26812812

August

100th Anniversary of the Cypriot Painter Telemachos Kanthos

Organised by the Alona Community Board at Alona village, Lefkosia District, tel. 99629081

August

Village Festivals:

Lefkosia district

- Alona village (two weeks of August), tel. 99629081
- Lagoudera village, tel. 99606697
- Askas village, tel. 99636534
- Livadia village (15/8/2010), tel. 99603607
- Polystypos village, tel.99531565
- Agios Epifanios village, tel. 99467351
- Platanistasa village, tel. 99698186
- Saranti village, tel. 99693523
- Mamari village, tel. 99650263

Lemesos district

- Agros village (15-16/8/2010), tel. 25521333
- Anogyra (15-16/8/2010), tel. 25221496
- Pelendri (8/8/2010), tel.2552503
- Dymes, tel 25522446
- Kyperounta, tel 99437200

Larnaka district

- Pervolia village (27/8/2010), tel. 24423330

Pafos district

- Pegeia village, tel. 26621244
- Pomos village, 14/8/10 tel. 99632907
- Lysos village, 15/10/10 tel. 99683005
- Ineia village, tel. 99487075
- Nata village, tel. 99427571
- Drouseia village, tel. 26332085
- Giolou village, tel. 99603200
- Tsada village, tel. 99632180
- Amargeti village, tel. 26723008
- Pentalia village, tel. 26722782
- Kouklia village, tel 26812812
- Kissonerga village, (July – August), tel. 26948778
- Timi village, tel. 99446987

August

Soultanina Grape Festival

Kathikas village, Pafos District, tel. 99603055

August

Arkadia Festival

Kallepeia village, Pafos District, tel. 99612920

Aug 27 – Sept 5

WINE FESTIVAL

The Wine Festival was organised for the first time in 1961 and since then it has become an established annual event of merrymaking and fun, offering a joyful atmosphere to visitors from all over Cyprus and abroad. Wine from the barrels is on

offer free of charge every evening. Organisers: Cultural Services of Lemesos (Limassol) Municipality
Tel. 25745919 Venue: Lemesos Municipal Gardens

SEPTEMBER

Aug 27 – Sept 5

WINE FESTIVAL

The Wine Festival was organised for the first time in 1961 and since then it has become an established annual event of merrymaking and fun, offering a joyful atmosphere to visitors from all over Cyprus and abroad. Wine from the barrels is on offer free of charge every evening.

Organisers: Cultural Services of Lemesos (Limassol) Municipality, Tel. 25745919, Venue: Lemesos Municipal Gardens

September 3 – 5

PAFOS APHRODITE FESTIVAL (OPERA)

The Pafos Aphrodite Festival is an international annual artistic event with world famous opera performances which take place in the open air in front of the Medieval Castle in Pafos.

For further information: tel.: 26822218, www.pafc.com.cy,
e-mail: info@pafc.com.cy

September
5, 12, 19

Agia Napa Summer Cultural Events

Music and Dancing performances, organised by the Agia Napa Municipality, tel.23816307

September
10,15,17,26

Ierokipia

Cultural Events organised by the Geroskipou Municipality at the municipality's central square, tel. 26962324

September 24 - 26

26th Agia Napa Festival

Organised by the Agia Napa Municipality, tel. 23816307
The programme includes amongst others traditional delicacies preparation, arts and crafts and music and dances.

September 27

World Tourism Day

Celebrated by three municipalities in the Pafos district - at the Castle square, Kato Pafos (tel. 26932014), in the Geroskipou central square (tel. 26962324) and in the grounds of the Polis Municipality (tel. 26321321)

September

8th Cultural Festival of Krassochoxia

Organised by 13 communities of Krassochoxia area (wine producing villages) in Lemesos District, tel. 25943223, 99649139

September

Tennis – Aphrodite National Cup

Organised by the Cyprus Tennis Federation, (tel. 22449860)

- Sept – October **INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL “KYPRIA 2010”**
A major cultural event organised by the Cultural Services of the Ministry of Education and Culture (tel. 22800985), with high quality performances in Lefkosia (Nicosia), Lemesos (Limassol) and Larnaka.
- September **5th Mediterranean Folklore Dance Festival**
Organised by the Cultural Heritage Association of Lefkosia and the Larnaka municipality at the seafront stage, tel. 24657745
- September **Pastelli Festival**
Anogyra village, Lemesos District, tel. 99411082
- September **4th Pottery Festival**
Kornos village, Larnaka District, tel 22532170
- September **Summer Cultural Events**
Organised by the Germasogeia Municipality, tel. 25879898
- September **Palouze Festivals**
- Vouni village, Lemesos District, tel. 25943343
- Arsos village, Lemesos District, tel. 25943223
- Vasa Koilaniou village, Lemesos District, tel. 25942634
- Lofou village, Lemesos District, tel. 99409169
- Salamiou village, Pafos District, tel. 26442431
- September **Village Festivals**
- Mammari village, Lefkosia District, tel. 99650263
- Orounta village, Lefkosia District, tel. 22822366
- Kokkinotrimithia village, Lefkosia District, tel. 22872777
- Agioi Trimithias, Lefkosia District, tel. 22832470
- Mandria village, 23/9/10, Pafos District, tel. 99683362
- Steni village, 18/9/10, Pafos District, tel. 99625004
- September **Tamasia Cultural Festival**
Tamassos village, Lefkosia District, tel. 99422687

OCTOBER

- October 1 **Cyprus Independence Day**
Military parade in Lefkosia
- October 2-3 **AFAMIA 2010**
Annual Grape and Wine Festival, Koilani village, Lemesos District Organised by the Koilani Association and the Community Board, tel. 25370777
- October 7 -10 **23rd Badminton International Tournament**
Organised by the Cyprus Badminton Federation in Lefkosia Tel. 22449868, e-mail: badminton@cytanet.com.cy, www.cyprusbadminton.com
- October 10 **International Bazaar 2010**
Organised by the Christos Stelios Ioannou Foundation at the premises of the Foundation in Lefkosia, tel. 22481666
- October 13 **2nd Ice-Cream Festival**
Organised by Lefkosia Tourism Company, tel 22889600
- October 16 – 24 **5th Medieval Agia Napa Festival**
The programme includes medieval performances by European Groups. Organisers: Agia Napa Municipality, tel. 23816307
Venue: Agia Napa Monastery
- October 16 -17 **5th Cyprus Autumn Historic Car Rally**
Organised by the Friends of Historic & Old Cars of Cyprus. For further information: tel. 22446614, 22313233
- October 17 **International Regata with Canoe**
Organised by the Cyprus Canoe Federation in Lemesos, (tel. 99617456)
- October 27 **Apple Festival**
Kyperounta village (Lemesos District), tel. 25532121
- October 28 **Greek National Day** - Student parades in all towns.
- October **Lemesia Athletic Events**
Organised by the Lemesos Municipality, tel.25745919
- October **Palouze Festival**
Polystypos village, Lefkosia District, tel. 99531565
- Sept – October **INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL “KYPRIA 2010”**
A major cultural event organised by the Cultural Services of the Ministry of Education and Culture (tel. 22800985), with high quality performances in Lefkosia (Nicosia), Lemesos (Limassol) and Larnaka.
- October **Open Studios 2010**

A chance for people to meet artists in their workplace and see them working, www.openstudioscy.com

NOVEMBER

- November 1 - 14 **A fortnight of Larnaka Amateurs Artistic Creation**
With the participation of choirs, orchestras, dancing groups and theatrical societies, organised by the Larnaka Municipality at the Larnaka Municipal Theatre, tel. 24657745
- November 4, 11, 18, 25 **Agia Napa Cultural Winter**
Dance and music performances every Thursday, organised by the Agia Napa Municipality (tel. 23816307) and the Cyprus Tourism Organisation.
- November 5-7 **“Troodos Rally” Middle East Rally Championship**
Organised by the Cyprus Automobile Association.
Tel. 22313233, www.caa.com.cy
- November 5, 12, 19, 26 **Paralimni Cultural Winter**
Music performances every Friday in Paralimni, organised by the Paralimni Municipality (tel. 23819300) and the Cyprus Tourism Organisation
- November 14 **Amathounta Half Marathon & 10 km**
Organised by NIKI Sports Management in Lemesos (Limassol), tel. 22370396, 99357358, e-mail: skakour@spidernet.com.cy
- November 20 & 21 **The Oaks and the Cyprus Derby Cups**
Organised by the Nicosia Race Club, at the Nicosia Race-courts. Tel. 22782727, www.nicosiaraceclub.com.cy
- November 21 **Cyprus Aphrodite Half Marathon**
Organised by the Cyprus Health Runners' Club in Pafos, tel. 22420559, e-mail: runclub@cytanet.com.cy, www.runclub.com.cy
- November 26 – 28 **Cyprus International 4-Day Challenge (Marathon)**
Organised by Arena DMC in Kato Pafos.
For further information: tel: 26880430,
www.cypruschallenge.com
E-mail: organiser@cypruschallenge.com
- November 27-29 **Cyprus Car Rally**
Organised by the Cyprus Automobile Association. For further information: tel.: 22313233 email: info@caa.com.cy, www.caa.com.cy
- November **European Cultural Winter in Larnaka**
Music, dance & theatre with the participation of soloists and ensembles from Cyprus and abroad at the Larnaka Municipal Theatre organised by the Larnaka Municipality (tel. 24657745)
- November **7th International Children's Film Festival of Cyprus**
Screenings at the Pantheon Cinema (tel: 22675787) in Lefkosia and at the Evagoras Lanitis Cultural Centre (tel: 25342123) in

Lemesos. For further information: tel. 22875242
email:info@icffcy.org, www.icffcy.org

DECEMBER

- December 1 – 3 **3rd Platform of Cypriot Musicians**
Venue: Rialto Theatre in Lemesos (Limassol), tel.7777745
- December
2, 9, 16, 23,30 **Agia Napa Cultural Winter**
Dance and music performances every Thursday, organised by the Agia Napa Municipality (tel. 23816307) and the Cyprus Tourism Organisation.
- December
3, 10, 17 **Paralimni Cultural Winter**
Music performances every Friday in Paralimni, organised by the Paralimni Municipality (tel. 23819300) and the Cyprus Tourism Organisation
- December **European Cultural Winter in Larnaka**
Music, dance & theatre with the participation of soloists and ensembles from Cyprus and abroad at the Larnaca Municipal Theatre organised by the Larnaca Municipality (tel. 24657745)
- December **CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS IN LEFKOSIA (NICOSIA)**
Festivities take place all over Cyprus and the Christmas spirit can be felt everywhere, especially in Lefkosia (Nicosia) where the Christmas festivities have recently become a main annual event. Events and displays are organised during the Christmas holidays at Eleftheria Square and the nearby area.
- December **Christmas Festivities**
Events organised in all towns
- December 31 **New Year's Eve Celebrations**
Celebrations in all towns

ALL YEAR ROUND EVENTS

A) Walking Tours

Guided tours in and around Lefkosia, Lemesos, Larnaka, Pafos, Agia Napa and Germasogeia village (Lemesos area) are offered free of charge by the above Municipalities and are organised in collaboration with the Cyprus Tourism Organisation and the Cyprus Tourist Guides Association.

Every Monday

1. Kaimakli Bus & Walking Tour, Lefkosia (Nicosia) (in English)

Starting point: Tourist Information Office in Laiki Geitonia, Lefkosia - Free participation

2. "Historic Limassol Walk", Lemesos (Limassol) (in English)

Starting point: Tourist Information Office, Lemesos - Free participation

3. "Agia Napa and the Sea: A Different Dimension" (by bus) (English - German)

Every Monday (November - March)

For reservations contact the Tourist Information Office, tel: 23721796)

Starting Point: Tourist Information Office, Agia Napa

Every Wednesday

1. Larnaka Walk "Past and Present"

(free participation)

Starting point: Tourist Information Office, Larnaka

2. Germasogeia Walks (in English)

a) Germasogeia - A Village Blessed by Water

b) Discover the Natural Environment of Germasogeia

Every Wednesday (October - April) - Each one every other week

Starting point: Tourist Information Office, Germasogeia, Lemesos District

(For reservations contact the Tourist Information Office, tel: 25323211)

Every Thursday

1. Lefkosia (Nicosia) Walking Tour (in English)

(free participation)

Starting point: Tourist Information Office in Laiki Geitonia, Lefkosia

2. Pafos Walking Tour (in English)

(free participation)

Starting point: Tourist Information Office

(For reservations contact the Tourist Information Office, tel: 26 932841).

Every Friday

1. Lefkosia (Nicosia) Outside the Walls (in English), (free participation)

Starting point: Tourist Information Office in Laiki Geitonia, Lefkosia

2. "Skala (Larnaka) - Its craftsmen"

(free participation)

Starting point: Larnaka Medieval Castle

3. Germasogeia Walks (in Finnish)

a) Germasogeia - A Village Blessed by Water

b) Discover the Natural Environment of Germasogeia

Every Friday (November-April) - Each one every other week

Starting point: Tourist Information Office, Germasogeia, Lemesos District

(For reservations contact the Tourist Information Office, tel: 25323211)

4. "Agia Napa and the Sea: A Different Dimension" (by bus) (English – Swedish)

Every Friday (November - March)

Starting Point: Tourist Information Office, Agia Napa
(For reservations contact the Tourist Information Office, tel: 23721796)

B) Religious Fairs (Panigiria)

Many colourful fairs are held in villages, reviving traditional village life, when saint's name-days are celebrated around the main churches. Local products and sweets are sold at stalls especially set up for the occasion. A procession of the Saint's icon around the church takes place during the previous evening's church service.

February 2	Presentation of Jesus to the Temple Chrysorrogiatissa Monastery, Pafos District
April 23	Saint George's Day Paralimni village.
May 21	Saints Constantine and Helena's Day Tsada village, Pafos District
July 17	Saint Marina's Day Xylotymbou village (Ammochostos District), Kyperounta village (Lemesos District).
July 26	Saint Paraskevi's Day Geroskipou village (Pafos District) and Leivadia village (Larnaka District)
August 6	Transfiguration of Jesus Christ the Saviour Sotira village, Ammochostos District
August 15	Dormition of Virgin Mary (Assumption Day) Kykkos and Chrysorrogiatissa monasteries, Chrysospiliotissa church at Deftera village (Lefkosia), Liopetri village (Ammochostos) and Kiti village (Larnaka).
September 2	Saint Mamas' Day Peristerona village, near Polis
September 6	Archangels Michael's Day Frenaros village, Ammochostos District
September 8	Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Agia Napa Monastery, Arakapas village (Lemesos district)
September 14	Exaltation of the Holy Cross Omodos and Lefkara villages
September 22	Saint Fokas' Day Athienou village, Larnaka District
September 24	Saint Thekla's Day Sotira village, Ammochostos District
September 28	Saint Neofytos' Day Agios Neofytos Monastery, Pafos District
October 2	Saint Kyprianos' Day Meniko village, Lefkosia District
October 4	Saint John Lampadistis' Day Kalopanagiotis village, Lefkosia District
October 5	Saint Ermogenis' Day Agios Ermogenis church, Lemesos District
October 6	Saint Kendeas' Day Agios Kendeas church, Avgorou village
October 17-18	Saint Luke's Day Kolossi, Kouklia and Aradippou villages
November 3	Saint George Kontos' Day Agios Georgios Kontos Church, in Larnaka town
November 7 - 8	Archangels Michael and Gabriel's Day Archangelos Michael Church at Kaimakli, Lefkosia

November 20 – 21	Presentation of Virgin Mary to the Temple Pallouriotissa old church in Lefkosia and Agros village
November 30	Saint Andrew's Day Polis Chrysochous
December 16	Saint Modestos' Day Deryneia village, Ammochostos District

C) Birdwatching

Birdlife Cyprus organises field meetings and other events on a regular basis throughout the year. Interested visitors are requested to telephone 22455072 for details of what is planned at the time of their visit. In addition an updated programme is available on the www.birdlifecyprus.org

D) Horse Races

The Nicosia Race Club organises horse races at the Nicosia Race-course (tel. 22782727), on Wednesdays and Sundays (January-May) and Wednesdays and Saturdays (June-August), www.nicosiaraceclub.com.cy

Useful Contacts

Lefkosia District:

The Nicosia Municipal Arts Centre
www.nimac.com.cy/main/default.aspx
Email: info@nimac.com.cy

Telephones
22432577

Lefkosia Municipality Cultural Services
www.nicosia.org.cy
Email: municipality@nicosia.org.cy

22797004

Lefkosia Municipal Theatre

22673218

State Gallery of Contemporary Cypriot Art
www.moec.gov.cy

22304947

Cultural Services of the Ministry of Education and Culture
www.moec.gov.cy, e-mail: moec@moec.gov.cy

22800985

Cyprus Theatrical Organisation
www.thoc.org.cy, e-mail: thoc@cytanet.com.cy

22492900

Famagusta Gate

22430877

Anastasios G. Leventis Foundation
www.leventisfoundation.org
Email: leventcy@zenon.logos.cy.net

22667706

Bank of Cyprus Cultural Foundation
www.boccf.org/main/default.aspx
Email: info@cultural.bankofcyprus.com

22848100

Cyprus Popular Bank Cultural Centre www.laiki.com, e-mail: laikiebank@laiki.com	22718601
Skali Cultural Centre Email: skali@cylink.com.cy	22336363
Strovolos Municipal Theatre www.strovolos.org.cy/dimotiko-theatro.php Email: municipality@strovolos.org.cy	22313010
Cyprus Centre of International Theatre Institute www.cyprus-theatre-iti.org	22674920
The Pharos Trust www.thepharostrust.org Email: info@thepharostrust.org	22663871
<u>Lemesos District:</u>	
Lemesos Patticheion Municipal Theatre www.limassolmunicipal.com.cy/theatre/en/index.html	25343341
Rialto Theatre www.rialto.com.cy	25343900 77777745
Lemesos Municipality Cultural Services www.limassolmunicipal.com.cy Email: Limassol.municipal@cytanet.com.cy	25745919
<u>Larnaka District:</u>	
Larnaka Patticheion Theatre	24629300
Larnaka Municipal Theatre	24665794
Larnaka Municipality Cultural Services www.larnaka.com, e-mail: municipality@larnaka.com	24657745, 24629333
Larnaka Municipal Gallery	24658848
Pierides Foundation www.pieridesfoundation.com.cy	24651345
<u>Ammochostos District:</u>	
Agia Napa Municipality Cultural Services www.agianapa.org.cy, e-mail: info@agianapa.org.cy	23816307
Paralimni Municipality www.paralimni.org.cy, e-mail: info@paralimni.org.cy	23819300
Deryneia Municipality www.deryneia.com , e-mail: deryneia.municipality@cytanet	23811000

Pafos District:

Pafos Municipality Cultural Services 26932014
www.pafos.org.cy, e-mail: cultural.service@pafos.org.cy

Pafos Aphrodite Festival Ltd 26822218
_www.pafc.com.cy, e-mail: info@pafc.com.cy

Pafos Markideion Theatre 26932571

Polis Chrysochous Municipality 26321321
www.polis-municipality-cyprus.com
Email: secretary@polis-municipality-cyprus.com