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**Spend Christmas night in the company of the world-renowned Hungarian classical music performed in the stunning Neo-Baroque Danube Palace to take you straight into the golden age of classics in Budapest.**

The crowd-favourite Danube Chamber Orchestra will headline this 90 minute concert that is sure to be a highlight of the Christmas festivities. Let yourself be enchanted by the beautiful melodies of Mozart, Haydn, Bach and Hungarian masterminds such as Lehár and Kálmán for an unforgettable Christmas night.

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As a highlight of the performance, a traditional Hungarian instrument, the cimbalom, or hammered dulcimer is brought in to make the night all the more special for you. Get to know the power of this instrument that have been used to in place of the piano during the renaissance of Hungarian symphony music. Experience the classics with the interpretation of this exotic instrument and let your senses take you back to the romantic 1800's for one and a half hours.

The classical music scene of Budapest is something to experience for every music lover visiting the capital of Hungary. Located just between the iconic Chain Bridge and the stunning Basilica, the Danube Palace is part of the Budapest's history. Built at the end of the 19<sup>th</sup> century, the building has a true time-travelling feel to it that further enhances the intimate atmosphere of this distinguished evening.

**Their permanent concert hall is the theatre of the Danube Palace.**

**The Chamber Concert starts at 20:00 consisting of two 40-45 minutes long parts with an intermission in between.**

To top up your unforgettable chamber concert, upgrade it to a complete evening program with [Dinner & Cruise at 22:00!](#)

Let us invite you to a romantic candlelight dinner on one of our heated ships. The Cruise starts at 22:00, but will always wait for the guests from the theatre to arrive, escorted by our hosts and hostesses.

**PROGRAM OF THE CHRISTMAS CONCERT  
BY THE DANUBE CHAMBER ORCHESTRA**

**25. 12.**

## Part 1.

Arcangelo Corelli: Concerto Grosso  
Joseph Haydn: Rondo all'Ongarese  
Johann S. Bach – Charles Gounod: Ave Maria  
Imre Kálmán: The Csárdás Queen - Overture  
Ferenc Erkel: Palotás from the Opera Hunyadi László  
Ferenc Lehár: Gold and Silver Waltz  
Jules Massenet: Thais - Meditation  
Johannes Brahms: Hungarian Dances no. 5

## Part 2.

Imre Kálmán: Devil-rider - Palotás  
Johann Strauss: The Blue Danube - Waltz  
Cymbalo solo  
Grinspun: Choric Dance  
Johann Strauss: Pizzicato Polka  
Vittorio Monti: Czardas  
Johann Strauss: Tritsch-Tratsch Polka  
Johann Strauss: Radetzky March

## Ticket prices:

### I. cat.

**Adults:** 42 EUR

**Students:** 40 EUR

### II.cat.

**Adults:** 38 EUR  
**Students:** 35 EUR

**III. cat.**

**Adults:** 34 EUR  
**Students:** 32 EUR

**VIP cat.**

105 EUR

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**Venue:** [Duna Palota](#)

The Danube Palace was built between 1883 and 1885, in a splendid Neo-Baroque style according to the plans of Vilmos Freund. At that time it was known as the casino of Lipótváros – but not in the term of gambling, but an aristocratic club for entertainment. From when it was built till the Second World War the Palace served as a place of culture, supported many young artists, and even Bartók, Kodály, Dvorák played in its first-class concert hall. Since 1951 the building has been carrying out the cultural programs of the Ministry of Internal Affairs.

Nowadays the beautiful halls and rooms of the Danube Palace are hosting cultural, social and gala events like weddings and theatre performances. The restaurant on the first floor of the building is only open for private events. It often holds welcome receptions for diplomats arriving to Budapest. The balconies, the staircase and the ceiling were made from oakwood and in the restaurant the visitor can see what an original baroque ceiling should look like. Originally, the

whole palace was decorated with gold motifs, familiar to Baroque churches.

***Meeting Point: Duna Palota***