



80th World Nonprofessional Film Festival UNICA 2018 Blansko, 31.08–09.09.2018

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Deadline for applications

We would like to remind you if you are interested in attending the UNICA 2018 World Amateur Film Festival, that registration is possible by midnight August 15, 2018 at the latest. In exceptional cases, you can sign up after this date, but without the need for excursions, cave entrances and so on.

Transport to Blansko

Transport from Vienna and Brno will be provided for those who have ordered and paid for transportation to Blansko under the Congress Card. Others deal with transport individually.

Individual transport in Blansko

If necessary, you can use the Taxi Florenti service (+420 777 237 723). The price for transport in Blansko is 45 CZK.

Payment of services

Those who have not yet paid the Congress card can do so on arrival in Blansko in cash, only in CZK. Lunches and dinners served at the KSMB will also be paid in cash. Even in this case exclusively in CZK. The cash desk, located at the KSMB reception, will be open daily from 13 p. m. to 15 p. m.

Banks, ATMs, currency exchange in the city

Komerční banka/ bankomat/ náměstí Republiky 3
Česká spořitelna/ bankomat/ Wanklovo náměstí 3
Moneta Money Bank/ bankomat/ Wanklovo náměstí 4
Unicredit Bank/ bankomat/ Wanklovo náměstí 3
ČSOB/ bankomat/ Rožmitálova 6
Raiffeisenbank/ bankomat/ Rožmitálova 12
Fio banka/ bankomat/ náměstí Svobody 5
mBank/ náměstí Svobody 8b
Exchange office / náměstí Svobody 13/9

Language s and interpretation

Interpreting from Czech to individual languages will be ensured by means of headphones that will be picked up by people interested in this type of service in return for a refundable deposit.

Reception hours in KSMB

Reception at the KSMB will be open during the festival daily from 8 a. m. to 20 p. m. Outside the reception opening hours, you can turn to the festival's call-line, if necessary, which will operate continuously. The line will be activated until August 31. The phone number is: +420 778 888 346.

We are glad to welcome you to Blansko! What can the region and city offer you? We invite you for a short walk ...

The region of Blansko is blessed with areas of natural beauty, a rich history and important architectural monuments. Blansko itself is often referred to as the “**Gateway to the Moravian Karst**”. The Moravian Karst was declared a protected landscape area in 1956. The town currently has a population of around 20,000.

The dominant landmark of the town is **the Renaissance chateau** which has recently undergone complete renovation. You will find historical interiors with carved coffered ceilings here, along with permanent exhibitions on the history of and research in the Moravian Karst conceived as karst caves, along with a great many other items of regional interest.

The chateau is now home to Blansko Museum and permanent exhibitions on regional topics. It also has a number of unusual exhibition halls.

The **wooden church** that travelled to Blansko from Sub-Carpathian Ukraine by train in 1936 is certainly a unique structure. It was originally intended to be an exhibit at the Exhibition of Contemporary Culture in Brno in 1928. It is one of six churches from Sub-Carpathian Ukraine that were bought by various organisations and sponsors in the years 1929–1936 and taken to various places in the Czech Republic. Its construction began in 1601, but was not completed until 1640. It was consecrated to the Orthodox Saint Paraskeva. It now serves the Czechoslovak Hussite Church and the Evangelical Church of the Czech Brethren.

Another of Blansko's churches is the **Church of Saint Martin**, whose tower both provides a wonderful view of the town and contains what is probably one of the oldest bells in Moravia, known as Poledník (Meridian). The church is also the last resting place of Caroline Meineke who was the first wife of King of England William IV, and whose destiny was closely connected with Blansko. A lookout point in the church tower opened to the public in 2012.

In Blansko it lives throughout the year (promo video)

City Full of Life (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6jM_WwuHedE)