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**Sinfonia Varsovia To Its City for kids**

**Mornings - family concerts**

**8, 15, 22 and 29 August at 11 AM**

**Concert Pavilion, ul. Grochowska 272, Warsaw**

**The Family Mornings, a series of story-driven concerts during the 20th edition of the Sinfonia Varsovia to Its City festival at 272 Grochowska Street, will take place on four Saturdays (8, 15, 22 and 29 August at 11 AM). They will be made up of two events: “Tracking Down Sounds” and “In the Musical Kitchen”.** **These musical tales augmented with purpose-built sets, acting, poetry and live music will enable attendees to be transported to faraway lands and to learn about how instruments work. The events are aimed at children aged 4-9 years and their guardians.**

Family mornings are story-driven interactive concerts that introduce young listeners to the fascinating world of music. During the concerts, young attendees will be able to learn about the sounds of different instruments and voices, as well as actively participate in the performance by singing, clapping, and tapping. The young listeners’ attention will also be grabbed by acting and pantomime performances as well as specially designed sets. Each Morning tells a different story.

Musical stories with soundtracks by Michał Lorenc will take you to a world of fantasy, a forest kingdom of birds and faraway exotic lands. The alien Jo, a visitor from another galaxy who communicates using gestures, will also accompany guests on their sonic journeys. A meeting of three worlds – music, Earth, and outer space – will allow us to find the common language of emotions, which is expressed through sounds and understood by all. Faraway places and cultures will be represented by unusual instruments. These include bamboo flutes, the Indian santoor and goblet drums, the African cajón and bendir, and many more. Children will be able to ask questions and actively participate in the musical journey.  
 Music will be provided by DesOrient, a band specializing in ethnic and film music, known to many from the movie scores by Jan A. P. Kaczmarek and Michał Lorenc which they performed.  
 A story with elements of pantomime will be presented by Joanna Płóciennik, an actress from the Body Art Theater, and host Tomasz Grabowski. “Tracking Down Sounds” will allow you to discover the beauty of musical illustrations on 8 and 22 August at 11 AM.

Are there musical instruments in the kitchen? Do plates, chopsticks and a gas bottle have anything to do with music? They do, as everyone who attends “In the Musical Kitchen” will learn. Music will be provided by Tomasz Pawłowski (piano), Jarema Jarosiński, Krzysztof Niezgoda, and Radosław Mysłek (percussion), and actor Cezary Nowak. The musicians will show the audience how the instruments work and how different sound effects are produced. The performance will also feature unique instruments, such as the little-known flexatone, normally used for special effects in theatre plays and on Broadway. Unusual sounds will be combined with children’s poetry on culinary topics by famous Polish poets, including Jan Brzechwa. For an appetizer, we’ll be having Chinese and the tank drum, a unique instrument with a pentatonic scale and a beautiful, Oriental timbre. To get a taste of all these flavors and more, come to the Family Mornings on 15 and 29 August at 11 AM.

The Family Mornings take place as a part of the 20th edition of the Franciszek Wybrańczyk Sinfonia Varsovia to Its City festival. The festival, aimed at all Warsaw locals, presents classical music from many genres, written both for chamber and symphonic ensembles, performed by Sinfonia Varsovia and guests.

The events follow a strict sanitary regime, including social distancing and other safety precautions. For more information, [visit this link](https://www.sinfoniavarsovia.org/warunki-uczestnictwa-w-koncertach-sinfonia-varsovia-swojemu-miastu/).

To learn more about the Family Mornings, go to [sinfoniavarsovia.org](https://www.sinfoniavarsovia.org/edukacja/strefa-dzieci/poranki-na-grochowskiej/).   
Tickets priced at 10 PLN are available on [our website](https://www.sinfoniavarsovia.org/poznaj-nasze-wydarzenia/sinfonia-varsovia-swojemu-miastu/) and at [ebilet.pl](https://www.ebilet.pl/muzyka/festiwale/festiwal-sinfonia-varsovia/?gclid=EAIaIQobChMIuI-Js4be6gIVB9-yCh1B3wA6EAAYAiAAEgIoyfD_BwE) up to 2 hours before the event.

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