

Radical Russian Orthodox Activist to Lecture on Whether Putin Will Become God

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Dmitry Enteo, a Russian Orthodox activist.

Dmitry Enteo, a Russian Orthodox activist known for his controversial and sometimes violent public stunts, will hold a lecture and roundtable Sunday in Moscow about President Vladimir Putin and his connection to God.

"You will understand the secret of secrets, after which your life will never be the same. You will receive direct answers to questions that face Russia today," reads an advertisement for the event posted on the VKontakte social networking website.

One of the questions due to be addressed in the lecture is whether Putin will become God "by grace."

As of Tuesday evening, 1,429 people had signed up for the event, according to the website.

Enteo is head of the God's Will movement, which has earned notoriety for its public

campaigns targeting what it sees as blasphemy against the Russian Orthodox Church.

In November, Enteo and a female accomplice disrupted a performance of a contemporary play based on Oscar Wilde's "An Ideal Husband" at the prestigious Chekhov Moscow Art Theater. In an outburst that many audience members believed was part of the performance, they shouted that the play "mocks our faith" and admonished the audience for not protesting.

Enteo's group has also previously assaulted LGBT activists and Pussy Riot supporters. They have never been charged by law enforcement agencies.

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