

Muchnik's Picks: Music on the Weekend in Moscow

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Moscow is slowly coming out of its annual holiday hibernation. It may be cold, but it's time to get out and play — or, to be more precise, get out and listen to other people play.

The biggest name to visit Moscow this week is **Plácido Domingo**. The great tenor will give a solo performance for all the opera lovers on Thursday at Crocus City Hall.

Crocus City Hall. Crocus City, MKAD 65-66 km. Metro Myakinino. Tickets from 4,500 rubles (\$60). Thurs. at 8 p.m.



Naadia

Naadia, the queen of Russian indie-pop, will perform on Thursday night. Founded by Nadya Gritskevich, leader of the electro and trip-hop band Moremoney, Naadia became a staple at summer music festivals in Russia and abroad; last summer the band performed at Budapest's Sziget festival. Naadia's deeply emotional lyrics and complex melodies make her music really stand out.

Mummy Troll Music Bar. 7 Ulitsa Tverskaya. Metro Okhotny Ryad, Teatralnaya. Tickets from 400 rubles (\$5.25). Thurs. at 9 p.m.



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Pioneers of Russian indie-rock and synth-pop **Pompeya** will perform their new album *Real* as well as hits from previous albums on Friday at 16 Tons. The program is called "Back in U.S.S.R.," which refers to Pompeya's success abroad. This is one of the few English-language bands in Russia that can organize a full-blown world tour.

16 Tons. 6/1 Ulitsa Presnensky Val. Metro 1905 Goda. Tickets from 500 rubles (\$6.50). Fri. at 11 p.m.



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Chicherina, a Yekaterinburg band whose only permanent member is Yuliya Chicherina, is famous for TuLuLa and Zhara (Heat), a couple of pop-rock hits from the early 2000s. But Chicherina had been quite active lately, replacing her whole band and releasing a new album last year. She will perform both her new material and old hits at Yotaspace on Saturday.

Yotaspace. 11 Ulitsa Ordzhonikidze. Metro Leninsky Prospekt. Tickets from 300 rubles (\$4). Sat. at 8 p.m.



Meydeleh

Meydeleh means "girls" in Yiddish, and aptly enough Meydeleh is a band with three female singers. Their music ranges from covers of Irina Allegrova to Blondie to Alexander Vertinsky to bands you have probably never heard of. Their concerts sometimes resemble a theatre performance and it's no wonder — all three vocalists are actresses. Come see them at 16 Tons on Sunday night.

16 Tons. 6/1 Ulitsa Presnensky Val. Metro 1905 Goda. Tickets from 500 rubles (\$6.50). Sun. at 8 p.m.

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