

Muchnik's Picks: Glintshake, Tanya Bulanova and More Music on the Weekend in Moscow

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Glintshake

If you're working on a Russian schedule, this will be a long weekend, but a weekend that will only start on Saturday night. This holiday weekend marks the controversial Defender of the Fatherland Day. Whether you are celebrating the prowess of the Russian army or trying to avoid it at all costs, a long weekend is a great opportunity to go to some gigs.

Glintshake is a Moscow post-punk band that used to sing in English, but announced that they were switching to Russian last year. This Thursday they will perform their new program for the first time. Judging by a couple of songs they have already released, this concert is not to be missed.

TsDKh (Central Artist's House). 10 Ulitsa Krymsky Val. Metro Oktyabrskaya, Park Kultury.

Tickets from 400 rubles (\$5). At 8 p.m.



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Balthazar

Celebrate the official start of the holiday weekend with **Balthazar**'s concert on Saturday night. Balthazar is an indie pop or pop-rock band (who can tell the difference anyway?) from Belgium that plays upbeat songs with catchy melodies. They released their third album, "Thin Walls," last year, and their Moscow concert is part of the tour to support it.

Mummy Troll Music Bar. 7 Ulitsa Tverskaya. Metro Okhotny Ryad, Teatralnaya. Tickets from 1500 rubles (\$20). Sat. at 8 p.m.



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Monetochka

On Saturday Powerhouse celebrates the two-year anniversary of its trademark Tantspol (dance floor) parties. The headliner is **Monetochka**, the mysterious Internet sensation who plays what she calls "psychedelic cloud rap" with lyrics about a teenager's life in Moscow.

Dewar's Powerhouse. 7/4 Goncharnaya. Metro Taganskaya. Tickets 600 rubles (\$8). Sat. at 11 p.m.



YouTube

Tanya Bulanova

If you are feeling nostalgic for the 90s, check out a rare concert by **Tanya Bulanova** on Monday. Bulanova is a legend, one of the first Russian pop crooners, whose hits "Ne plach" (Don't Cry) and "Yasny moi svet" (My Bright Light) are known by heart by every Russian.

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



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Alexei Romanov Trio

A concert for a different kind of nostalgia — for the perestroika era of rock — can be satisfied by a performance by the **Alexei Romanov Trio** at 16 Tons on Tuesday, Defender of the Homeland Day. Alexei Romanov is best known as the leader of one of the most famous Russian rock bands, Voskresenie. He will sing Voskresenie's old hits, as well as some of his rarely heard material.

16 Tons. 6/1 Ulitsa Presnensky Val. Metro 1905 Goda. Tickets from 1200 rubles (\$16). Tues. at 8 p.m.

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