

Two Moscow Festivals Celebrate Language and Geek Culture

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Kids can learn about foreign culture and even meet entertainers in dress-up at the Children's Language Festival.

Children's Language Festival

This weekend the Hermitage Garden is hosting a language festival for kids and their families. The park will turn into a multi-cultural, multi-purpose, multi-linguistic playground, where kids can move from the fun-but-serious Words and Ideas section, where foreign cultural organizations like the Goethe and Cervantes Institutes will conduct master classes, to Games and Sports where kids can learn about national pastimes around the world. There will be conversation classes in more than a dozen languages, music and plays, a film theater showing features films in original languages with subtitles, and a food and souvenir market. Drop off the kids for a master class and take in a movie. Voilà! A fun weekend guaranteed.

Hermitage Garden. 3 Karetny Ryad. Metro Tverskaya. dlfest.ru. June 18 -19

Geek Picnic

Bigger, better and geekier than ever before, Geek Picnic returns to Moscow this year with a packed program of events over the weekend. A cult event for anyone interested in art, technology or science, Geek Picnic encourages visitors to get their geek on by delving into the world of inventions and experiments. The theme of this year's festival is "Myth Busters," and participants can attend a series of talks and lectures from speakers including Robot Wars and MythBusters star, Jamie Hyneman. There will also be the opportunity to try out the latest gadgets, watch experimental art performances and get involved in a live science show.

Sokolniki Park. 1/1 Sokolnichesky Val. Metro Sokolniki. geek-picnic.me. June 18-19

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