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Weekend in Moscow: Jazz in the Hermitage Garden

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On the hunt for sweet sounds and a sweet atmosphere this weekend? Head down to the 19th annual open-air jazz festival taking over Moscow's Hermitage Garden.

The oldest festival of its kind, the Hermitage Garden Jazz Festival is an excuse for the city's jazz community to rub shoulders with one another and enjoy performances from the best Russian and international artists.

The cozy event is organized by Mikhail Green — a veteran of the Moscow jazz scene — and performers this year include American vocalist Sweet Baby J'ai, Julia Rogachiva and the Peter Vostokov Big Jazz Orchestra.

Highlights of the weekend include the Peter Vostovok Big Jazz Orchestra's Beatle's program, trumpeter Alex Sipiagin and saxophonist Will Vinson. Alongside the performance program

there will also be musical masterclasses, dance lessons and children's entertainers.

The best part? Entrance is entirely free. Things kick of each day at 3 p.m. and continue until just after sunset. It's the ideal summer concert in sublime setting.

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