

# Muchnik's Picks: Motorama, Jaegermeister Music Awards and More Music in Moscow on the Weekend

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Miriam Sekhon Miriam Sekhon/Facebook

While it may be a Thanksgiving weekend elsewhere, you'll find it hard to track down a pumpkin pie in Moscow. But that doesn't mean you can't celebrate in style at one of the concerts or parties we've picked out for you this week, including the long-awaited Burning Man Decompression and the Jagermeister Indie Awards.

#### Motorama

is⊠an English-language band based in Rostov-on-Don in the South⊠of Russia. It may sound unlikely, but Motorama is signed to French⊠indie-label Talitres and has a huge following in Europe and other⊠parts of the world, where it regularly tours. Motorama's music has been⊠compared to that of Joy Division and other post-punk bands. This⊠Thursday they will present their brand new album entitled "Dialogues."

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This week's main music event is definitely the **Jagermeister Indie**Awards , which will take

place at the new venue Bereg District on Savvinskaya Naberezhnaya, next to the infamous Soho Rooms. The headliners are German hip-hop artist

Azizi Gibson and Afrobeat master

Ata Kak. Surprise performances and collaborations are expected from nominated bands,

including Glintshake, Mujuice, Tesla Boy, Oxxxymiron and relative⊠newcomers Griby, Skriptonit and Kedr Livansky. Once again, a special⊠award called "Young Blood" will be presented to the best new band chosen by⊠online voters.

BEREG District.**⊠**12 Pereulok Bolshoy Savvinsky. Metro Ulitsa 1905 Goda. Free entrance by applying <u>here</u>. Friday, November 26, at 9 p.m.

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John Digweed has been around longer than some of his fans have been⊠alive. Together with DJ Sasha he is one of the pioneers of progressive house and became famous for his "Northern Exposure" compilations⊠in the 1990s. Digweed is still a prolific DJ, releasing an album⊠almost every year. His set will be supported by local DJs Denis A and⊠Dao Dar.

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#### **Brothers Moving**

⊠is a traveling street band from Denmark led by the Knoblauch brothers,⊠who started out playing unique covers of traditional blues, as well⊠as Rolling Stones' and The Beatles' songs. They soon moved on to producing⊠their own material and it's not their first time in Moscow, so expect⊠the venue to be packed.

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Burning Man Decompression Party is one of a series of similar events organized by Burning Man enthusiasts all over the world. Burning Man is an annual festival that takes place in the Nevada desert and attracts young artists and adepts of radical self-expression. This Saturday the fourth Moscow Decompression Party will be held at an as yet undisclosed location. Decompression allows you to be transported to the actual festival, if only for one night: you⊠will be able to see several installations and art objects, as well as⊠performances, and DJ sets. This year's theme is "DaVinci's⊠Workshop," the party will occupy a whole building, including a⊠courtyard.

# *Check the* **Facebook** *page for the venue. Tickets from 2,000 rubles (\$31). Saturday, November 26, at 8 p.m.*

Oxxxymiron is back from a short break and this time he has⊠not one, but two concerts as his shows usually sell out pretty⊠quick. Oxxxymiron is a stage name for Miron Fyodorov, an Oxford⊠graduate, who started rapping while still living in England. He shot⊠from obscurity to stardom in a miraculously short time. Miron's second album⊠Gorgorod became an overnight hit and there have been rumors about a⊠mixtape coming out soon. Expect his trademark R-rated lyrics and⊠electronic beats.

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# Miriam**¤**Sekhon Jazz Band

is⊠one of the many music projects of prolific singer Miriam Sekhon, whose voice⊠has been compared with that of Dolores O'Riordan from The⊠Cranberries. Miriam's other projects include Race to Space and VIA⊠Tatyana, but this time she will just sing jazz standards with some of⊠her friends.

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