

Muchnik's Picks: Pet Shop Boys, Jenia Lubich and More Music in Moscow on the Weekend

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The winter marches on and you've either got to embrace it, or live the next three months holed up in your apartment going stir-crazy. We know which we'd rather do. With groups like the Pet Shop Boys and singer Jenia Lubich in town, venturing outside will definitely be worth it.

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Pet Shop Boys need no introduction, they've been around for 35 years and are still churning out hit album after hit album. Their 13th, "Super," was released last April and their Moscow concert is part of the tour to support it. This time Pet Shop Boys will play with a live band

making the performance extra special.

Park Legend. 23 Avtozavodskaya Ulitsa. Metro Dewar's Powerhouse. 7/4 Goncharnaya Ulitsa. Thursday, December 8, at 8 p.m.

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Ivan Dorn, probably Ukraine's most popular star and the founder of the "ukr-pop" genre, is coming to Moscow again. His last album was released in 2014, but he has reworked his hits and will perform them with a jazz band at this upcoming concert. Dorn did something similar at Bosco Fresh Fest last summer, but this will be his first proper concert with a new program. Expect a packed venue and crowds of female fans.

Crocus City Hall. Crocus City, MKAD 65-66 km. Metro Myakinino. Thursday, December 8, at 8 p.m.

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Dewar's Powerhouse will be celebrating its birthday over the upcoming weekend. The line-up includes Yarah Bravo from Sweden and Youandewan from the UK, as well as Kotzi Brown, who took part in the popular hip-hop musical "Cops on Fire" and OL & Sil. There will be lots of whiskey and a secret karaoke bar. Celebrations will continue on Saturday night with Tantspol, one of Powerhouse's trademark parties featuring Girlfriend Of The Year (GOFTY) as a headliner.

Dewar's Powerhouse. 7/4 Goncharnaya. Metro Taganskaya, Markistskaya. Friday, December 9, at 9 p.m.

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Jenia Lubich is a singer-songwriter from St. Petersburg, who first found fame as one of the vocalists in the French band Nouvelle Vague. After moving back home she released "Russian Girl," with the memorable lyrics, "I am a simple Russian girl, I've got vodka in my blood" and immediately grabbed everyone's attention. Jenia sings in Russian, English and French and has two albums under her belt. She recently recorded songs for the soundtrack of a Russian blockbuster fantasy film "On Drakon" ("He's the Dragon"), which was nominated for the Russian National Music Award in the best song for film category.

*Teatralnyy tsentr "Na Strastnom". 8A Strastnoy Bulvar. Metro Pushkinskaya, Chekhovskaya.
Saturday, December 10, at 8 p.m.*

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