

Muchnik's Picks: Zemfira, Artemiev and More Music in Moscow on the Weekend

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Zemfira **Marina Zakharova** / Wikicommons

The forecast says this weekend there will be a bit of a thaw, so ☑enjoy this respite from the harsh Moscow winter and use this time to go ☑to some of the gigs we picked for you.

Artemiev is a solo project of Pavel Artemiev, a ☑former member of the popular boyband Kornī, winner of the Fabrika Zvezd ☑(Star Factory), the Russian version of American Idol. Artemiev left his ☑boyband days behind and is now known for his own blend of indie-pop with☑ thoughtful lyrics and memorable melodies. He recently released an ☑English language EP “Symptom of life.” Entrance to his Thursday concert ☑at Mumy Troll Music Bar will be

free.

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Zemfira needs no introduction. She is the No. 1 pop-rock artist in Russia. Her long tour “Little Man” is ending, and Friday's concert will be devoted to release of a live album recorded during the tour with all of Zemfira's greatest hits.

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1/2 Orchestra is one of those live jazz bands that can really work up a crowd. It's also one of a few Russian bands that take part in international music festivals – they played at Sziget in Hungary a couple of years ago. Blending traditional jazz with hip hop rhythms, 1/2 Orchestra reaches a perfect balance between danceable and classy. Well-known Moscow rap artists sometimes join them for their live performances, so expect surprises.

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Up-and-coming singer songwriter

Alina Os will perform her final concert in 2016, the year that brought her well-deserved popularity. She plays contemporary jazz with elements of rock, funk and hip-hop. Unlike most Moscow jazz artists, Alina Os performs original material with her own lyrics.

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