

ENTERTAINMENT AT THE VASA MUSEUM 2014



EXPERIANZA AB – YOUR ENTERTAINMENT PARTNER

Experianza AB is a reliable partner throughout the whole process from idea to completion. We have a vast experience of providing high quality entertainment for our Swedish and International clients.

We offer you our expertise, experience and creativity within the field of entertainment. We can provide you with any kind of entertainment from classical music, pop/rock music, dance/show, acrobatics, magic, humor and much more.

We take full responsibility for the whole process from our first contact with you regarding your event, the contents and structure. We develop a suitable entertainment concept, arrange the technique required, co-ordinate the information between technique, performers, staff at the venue and with you as our client.

We will make sure that the performers are well informed and prepared for their part at the event. We take care of all necessary arrangements for them regarding travel, accommodation etc.

On site of the event we will have at least one member of staff present to ensure that everything works smoothly with the entertainment and to ensure the quality.

We will create a memorable experience based on the given conditions for your unique event, the purpose and within the given budget.

TAILOR-MADE ENTERTAINMENT FROM SMALL SCALE TO A COMPLETE CONCEPT

In this document you will find some suggestions of concepts as well as individual performers and musicians. If you would like further suggestions and ideas, we will be glad to discuss your specific needs based on the purpose with your event. With the means of entertainment, decor, technique etc. we can create something that will suite perfectly with your conditions. It can be only a troubadour, a harpist, a jazz-duo or a complete entertainment concept covering the whole evening from start to finish.

Welcome with your request!

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ENTERTAINMENT SUITABLE AT THE VASA MUSEUM

Please note that in this document we have put together a number of different suggestions for entertainment that are suitable for events in the Ship Hall of the Vasa Museum as well as in the Vasa Museum restaurant. The Vasa is an over 380 years old museum object and therefore very sensitive. This is something that we have taken into consideration in all our suggestions.

Please note that information regarding the costs for the different entertainment suggestions in this document, as well as the cost for the necessary technique etc. is provided on request. Please contact Experianza AB, info@experianza.se or the Vasa Museum evenemang.vasa@maritima.se for more details.

If you wish to end your evening with disco or dancing, this can take place in the Vasa Museum restaurant. We will be glad to give you suggestions on excellent live bands or DJ:s as well as offers regarding the technique that is required.

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AN EVENING INSPIRED BY THE 17TH CENTURY



FIRE ARTISTS

For an impressive welcome during the darker seasons; autumn, winter and early spring: 2 fire artists welcoming the guests outside the Vasa Museum.

THE BAND OF THE ROYAL SWEDISH GUARD

An excellent alternative to the fire artists as a welcoming act is The Band of the Royal Swedish Guard. The Royal Guard's Regiment dates back to 1521 when Gustavus Vasa was elected Captain of Darlecarlia and waged a liberation war against Denmark. After Gustavus Vasa was elected King in 1523 he organized his Royal Guard including a then small military band.



Three trumpeters and a drummer dressed in traditional uniform including the helmet with a plume, welcomes the guests upon their arrival to the museum.

It is also possible to use musicians from the guard for trumpet fanfares or background music in the Ships Hall. Please contact Experianza AB for an offer.

THE ROMEO & JULIA CHOIR

Born of the stage, the Romeo & Julia Choir honours a musical storytelling tradition. The ensemble sings and emotes, making performance a visual as well as a musical experience. The result is a singular brand of vocal drama. Their eclectic repertoire spans from Italian Renaissance and French Baroque to Slavic songs and fiery folk tunes. For a Swedish touch the choir can perform songs by for example Carl Michael Bellman. At some occasion the choir has even performed their own version of an ABBA song.



The Romeo & Julia Choir treats audiences to a magic carpet ride that features tender tales of love as well as burlesque comedy. Musical interludes in a production 1991 production of Shakespeare's Romeo & Juliet brought the choir together at Stockholm's Royal Dramatic Theatre. Soon, they struck out on their own with musical dramas and Renaissance concerts that display the distinctive flair of their Artistic Director, Benoît Malmberg — a magnificent mélange of song, dance and theatre.

The ensemble consists of some fifteen singers and one instrumentalist. Depending on the material, they appear in various constellations, ranging from an even dozen down to a quartet, or a soloist. A Renaissance lute and percussion instruments paint a musical backdrop. Drama and vocals are fused into an expressive, playful, genre-transcending experience. Ever-evolving, the Romeo & Julia Choir aims for international appeal, but their prime objective is to captivate and entertain.

The choir has toured in many countries such as Japan, Tibet, Nepal, France, Italy, Albania, Croatia, Island and USA. The Romeo & Julia Choir has performed at five Nobel Award Banquets in the City Hall. They also performed at the wedding between Crown Princess Victoria and Mr Daniel Westling.

At an event in the Vasa Museum the choir can for example welcome the guests upon arrival, lead them to the tables when it is time to be seated and make one or more stage performances during the dinner.

Please, check out a presentation of the Romeo & Julia Choir on the following link:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n-Xn1PY99kQ&feature=youtu.be>

THE RENAISSANCE BOYBAND – AD HOC! – THE BACKSTREET BOYS OF THE 16TH CENTURY

Ad Hoc ensemble is a male-vocal quartet with a primary focus on renaissance music. Ad Hoc makes their performances with fantastic vocal, musical and acting skills, they make a story telling with great vividness, drama and spontaneous fun!



The concept can shortly be described as a musical and "near-historical-experience". The ensemble mix a spread of age long songs, half young men, costumes, little stories and anecdotes and a huge amount of joy and happiness.

The group was founded just as it sounds "ad hoc", the boys got together just out of luck to perform in one specific event in august 2008. Since then the ensemble has been frequently booked to perform at different kinds of events and concerts.

During a dinner Ad Hoc can do one or two performances. For exemple a shorter performance can be done to introduce the group in the beginning of the evening. Ad Hoc can then perform in a longer set of approx. 15-20 min to round off the dinner in a memorable way!

Please, check out the group at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4KK1TzJQ7-8>

AN EVENING WITH SWEDISH FLAVOUR

FOLK MUSICIANS



Upon arrival to the Vasa Museum the guests will be welcomed outside by 2-4 traditional Swedish folk musicians dressed in folk costumes. This will give the guests a warm and joyful welcome. If the weather is bad or too cold, the folk musicians will greet the guests inside the museum.

If you would like to it is possible to add traditional folk dancers that will make a dance performance accompanied by the musicians. Please contact Experianza AB for an offer.

KULNING

”Kulning” is a historical way of singing, used to gather the cattle. This form of singing was actively used from the middle ages until the second world war. A mysteriously and beautiful, raw and powerful way of creating a happening during an event. It works excellent in the acoustic provided by the Ship Hall. Kulning can for example be used as a different way of getting the guest’s attention when it is time to be seated for dinner.



RAMLÖSA – ACQUSTIC DINNER ENTERTAINMNET

Carl Michael Bellman (1740 - 1795) was a poet, composer and entertainer in 18th century Stockholm. He was one of Sweden's most gifted performers and became known as the creator of satirical drinking songs, composed during the 1760's.

The group Ramlösa, consists of one up to four musicians. They play acoustic guitar and sing dressed in clothes inspired by the 18th Century fashion of Bellman’s time. They have a wide repertoire and mix the drama of the Bellman songs with summer songs from Evert Taube but also international music such as Elvis, Beatles or songs from Italy, Spain, Germany and Greece whichever suits your event.



The performers will perform on and off during the evening. They are mobile and will move around playing, singing, interacting with the guests at their tables. Guests can also make musical requests. This creates a nice, relaxed and joyful atmosphere. They will also tell the guests a bit about the music. As the evening continues the group will also present other famous Swedish songs from performers such as ABBA. Ramlösa have great experience of international groups and speak fluent English and German. They can also speak a little bit of French and Spanish.

Suitable for groups up to approx. 200 pers. No stage, sound or light amplification require.

ABSOLUTE SWEDEN

Absolute Sweden is a band specialising in Swedish hit music. Music performed by Swedish artists such as ABBA, Roxette, Robyn, Europe etc. or music written by famous Swedish songwriters and producers such as Max Martin and performed by international mega stars such as Britney Spears, Backstreet boys and Pink to mention a few examples.

The band also offers a cavalcade of all the great hits of ABBA, approx. 40 minutes. All songs are specially arranged for this band.



Two experienced singers with great output together with fantastic musicians. Depending on type of event, the band's composition can be varied. Here are some sample combinations suitable for events in the Vasa Museum:

- piano and two vocalists
- piano, double bass, acoustic guitar and two vocalists

Absolute Sweden has its own sound and style, not look-alike or sound-alike. The band offers top entertainment that will put the guests in a party mood, regardless of the composition!

Absolute Sweden can perform up to three times during the dinner. For example it can begin with the pianist together with the singers performing a traditional Swedish folk song, the next performance can be a few well know songs from Björn & Benny musicals and at the end of the dinner the band returns with the ABBA cavalcade or a mix of Swedish hit music in general.

Please, check out the group at: <http://www.experianza.se/absolutesweden>

AN ABBA LOOK ALIKE SING-BACK SHOW

THE VISITORS

With the true original sound and authentic costumes, The Visitors is bringing back some of the greatest moments in pop history.

The Visitors with its 10 members on stage has done several large scale tours and provides a frighteningly credible sound and visual impression. It is hard to believe it's not the real thing, ABBA themselves in their peak moment so many years ago. The show is composed to provide both upbeat and slow sets.



In the show The Visitors uses authentic copies of four different ABBA costumes from different periods of the ABBA era.

THE VISITORS SING-BACK

For an event in the Vasa Museum in the Ship Hall you cannot use the full band. However, if you wish an ABBA experience we can offer you three different options with The Visitors in a smaller scale.

1. Sing-back with two "ABBA"-members (the girls only). This sing-back show is approx. 25 minutes long.
2. Alternatively we can offer you a sing-back show with all four "ABBA"-members. They can then make one performance with live singing accompanied by live music on piano and guitar. In the end of the dinner they can return with a second performance when they do the sing-back show of approx. 25 minutes.
3. A new possibility is that a total of 6 members from The Visitors – all four "ABBA" + two of the back-up vocalists can entertain you. This alternative offers six voices accompanied by live music on two guitars and one piano. With this set-up they can perform during approx. 30-40 minutes. If you would like to they can also add pre-recorded music backgrounds for a sing-back show of approx. 25 minutes.

CONTEMPORARY CIRCUS - ACROBATICS & JUGGLING

WALL ACROBATS

If you would like to offer your guests something different and unexpected, wall acrobats is a spectacular choice. They will give your guests a memorable experience.

The two acrobats can be on the same wall or alternatively they use two different walls. We go through the conditions that applies for each event in order to decide what the best set up will be. The performance is made to pre-recorded music backgrounds.

Please, check out the wall acrobats on the following clip:
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QPpIZdCFh6M>



DAVID & FOFO

Contemporary circus on a high level. David & Fofu are two of Swedens best performers within the category of contemporary circus. They are well know from for example Cirkus Cirkör's success performance "Wear it like a crown" that has been performed over 300 times all over the world.

This fantastic duo work with acrobatics and juggling. They have performed at numerous circus shows in Sweden and abroad, as well as at variety shows, on cruise ships and in dinner shows. Their ping-pong juggling act is truly amazing.



David & Fofu offers their audience an experience filled with humour, playfulness and cordiality. They can do both mingle entertainment and stage shows.

A MAGICAL EVENING

AXEL & SABINA

First class entertainment with magic and cello!

Let Axel & Sabina create a welcoming atmosphere from the start of your event. Their elegant and personal charm combined with the sophisticated music and skilful magic will take your guests on a musical and magical journey.

Axel & Sabina can entertain your guests during a welcome cocktail when Axel performs close-up magic among the guests and Sabina is playing background music on the cello. Or they can make a stage performance in front of all guests during a seated dinner. A stage performance is excellent during dessert. Alternatively the show can be divided up into three parts that are performed during a three courses dinner.

Magic performed to live music is perfect for both a Swedish as well as an international audience.



MARITIME ENTERTAINMENT

MISS MARINE AND FRIENDS

“Miss Marine“ entertains your guests together with her fellow sailors giving you the best of Swedish and International marine songs. From the sailor songs of the 40’s through Swedish summer songs to more modern’s tunes such as Christina Aguilera.

Miss Marine is an experienced dinner entertainer and can perform on and off during a dinner. If the atmosphere is right Miss Marine will encouraging your guests to sing along.

Miss Marine speaks fluent English. The group consists of three well acclaimed musicians; guitar, standing base and singer.



EXCLUSIVE ENTERTAINMENT IN A SMALL FORMAT

DIVINE – THE OPERA TRIO

Divine consists of the three opera singers Gabriella Lambert-Olsson, Caroline Gentele and Jacqueline Miura. Each one of them has a rich history of performing at Swedish and international theatres such as the Royal Swedish Opera, Drottningholms Slottsteater, Glyndebourne Festival Opera and Théâtre du Châtelet, Covent Garden and Baden Baden.

While still in the midst of their own careers, the opportunity arose for the three singers to come together and begin fulfilling a long-time dream of reinterpreting selections of beautiful musical works without the confines of traditional genres. Their unique sound developed in collaboration with music producer and arranger Anders Neglin, and the group Divine was formed.

Divine can perform both with orchestras or with backtracks or with piano.

Their debut performance at the Stockholm Water Prize Gala in 2007 was an immediate success. It led to an invitation to sing at a Royal State Visit in Vienna, Austria on special request by Their Majesties King Carl XVI Gustav and Queen Silvia of Sweden. Since then Divine has performed at large galas, in concert halls and on TV-shows in Sweden. Their latest grand success was for their performances at the Nobel Prize banquet in the City Hall of Stockholm on December 10th 2013.



GENTLEMEN

Gentlemen - a Swedish vocal trio including three of Sweden's by far best singers.

Mikael Grahn, Stefan Nykvist and Fredrik Willstrand are all well-established and professional singers with solid track records and in this constellation they complement each other very well.

It's the sound of pure passion, the feeling of style and class and the mood of a magical night. Their entertainment offers great warmth and creates a unique bond with the audience.



But most of all its three great male voices brought together. Each individual a well established performer – together reaching new heights!

The well-dressed gentlemen of Gentlemen appear in tuxedos and have grandiose voices with wide range. Their repertoire contains musical material from Rat Pack, Motown, soul and disco, along with lovely and well-known classics and newer hits. Gentlemen's entertainment is really high class and together they offer warmth and humour and impressive song numbers, popular, fast-paced and finely tuned in a balanced mix. They are excellent for a Swedish as well as for an international audience since they all are fluent in English.

Gentlemen was established as a group in 2008 and have made big success everywhere they have appeared. They have been featured in numerous TV-shows, made radio appearances, performed at many large and prominent events, such as live TV at the Swedish Royal Princess wedding.

Gentlemen have represented Swedish companies abroad and they often perform for the Swedish trade and industry/enterprise.

There are some variations in the musical composition and content, here are some examples:

1) Gentlemen of Sweden (or just Gentlemen)

In this option you'll find Swedish music that has become big hits all over the world, artists, groups and Swedish producers, arranged to fit the group. The length of the show is flexible. This show can be done with piano, small unplugged setting, or full band/orchestra.

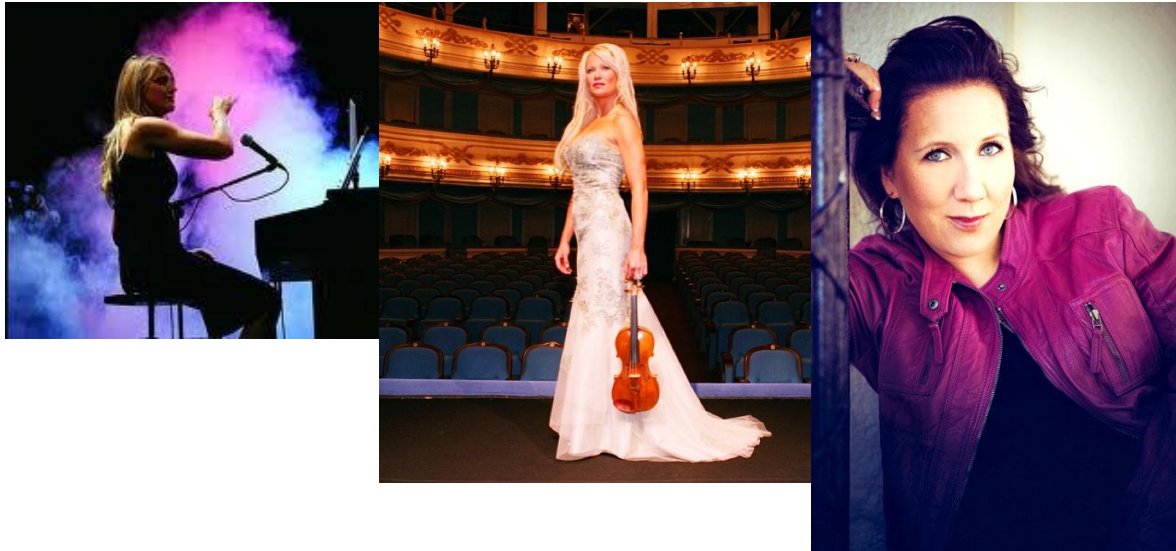
2) Gentlemen sings international hits!

The musical material is a combination of:

- Rat Pack
- Motown
- A flirtation with the Italian opera tradition
- Swedish and Nordic pop-hits in new arrangements
- New modern international hits (Lady Gaga, Elton John, etc.)

The length of the show is flexible. This show can be done with piano, small unplugged setting, or full band/orchestra.

LINDA LAMPENIUS – SANNA MARTIN – CARINA E. NILSSON



An amazing trio! This trio consists of the incredible skilful and internationally known violinist Linda Lampenius (Brava) that gives her audience a stunning musical and visual experience. In this trio she performs together with fantastic vocalist Sanna Martin and excellent pianist Carina E. Nilsson. Together they give new life to well known music and songs. On the repertoire you find classical music, Swedish ballads, grand songs from musicals, jazz and pop-music. Everything the trio does is performed with a personal touch.

The trio is flexible and can adjust the repertoire according to request.

Please, check out the following clip for an example with the trio from the Stockholm Water Prize Award Ceremony in the Stockholm City Hall: <http://bambuser.com/v/2944703#t=2991s>

BACKGROUND MUSIC

CK DUO, TRIO OR QUARTET

CK Duo, a high quality jazz duo consisting of the fine pianist Carl Flemsten and wonderful singer Karin Starck. By adding a double-bass you will get CK Trio, and by also adding drums you will get CK Quartet.

On their repertoire you find jazz and ballads, as well as pop/soul music. They play international jazz classics, such as “Take me to the moon”, “Lullaby of Birdlands”, “One day my prince will come” and others.

Everything is performed with a personal touch. Thanks to their wide repertoire they are flexible and they adjust their performance depending on the style of the event and the atmosphere during the evening.



SO NICE

So Nice is a duo consisting of the musicians Joakim Holgersson and Håkan Lindberg. With a personal touch they perform lounge music both instrumental music as well as vocal music within the genres of jazz and pop-music. The advantage with So Nice is that the duo can have an acoustic sound or if you would like to the sound of a complete band by adding backtracks to the piano and guitar. The duo can adjust their performance based on the requirement of each event. However, the objective is always that the result should be "so nice".



The duo performs up to 2 x 40 minutes during an evening.

Please, check out the duo on the following clip:
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=97OoliLz0vA>

CLASSICAL GUITAR

David Härenstam is a remarkable and extremely versatile musician. He plays regularly as a classical musician, working as a soloist or with performers such as celebrated violinist Nils-Erik Sparf and virtuoso pianist Bengt Forsberg. In addition to classical music, David is equally equipped to play other styles, for example jazz as well as Swedish folk music.

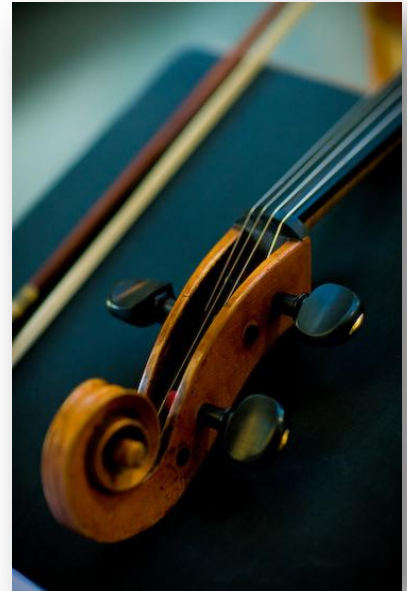
David's recitals are a memorable experience, and listeners are charmed by David's warm, sensual style, as well as his virtuosity. He is continually breaking the boundaries of the 21st century guitar's capabilities, embracing both traditional styles and those of contemporary composers.



STRING QUARTET

Regarding string quartets it is possible to have a quartet only playing classical music, such as Mozart, Haydn, Schubert and others. Alternatively it is also possible to choose a quartet that also plays a repertoire including popular music such as pop songs, and for example music from films and musicals.

There are also possibilities to add an element with two violinist playing on electric-violins. Or adding a vocalist to the string quartet. Please contact Experianza AB for an offer.



We hope that this document has inspired you and given you some ideas for your planned event at the Vasa Museum. If there are special requirements regarding entertainment, we will be glad to give you further ideas and suggestions based on your specific needs and circumstances.

Welcome with your request!

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