



Mehanata Presents...
**BOHEMIAN
FESTIVAL**

3 day, 2 night camp-out & live music party

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Bringing together a diverse palette of live music, globally sourced DJs, dancers, performers, art and workshops, our second annual Bohemian Festival will be both a culturally rich and insanely festive camp-out and non-stop party on the grounds of the historic Onderdonk House in Ridgewood, Queens.

The festival will feature the renowned ensemble **Yuri Yunakov & The Grand Masters of Gypsy Music**, local Klezmer legend **Frank London**, **Yvonnick Prene & Padam Swing**, **Khaled Dajani**, **The Klezwoods**, acclaimed percussionist **Liron Peled**, **Escarioka**, **Amour Obscur**, **Radio Armada**, **Big Volcano**, **SisterMonk**, **The Soul Muse**, **Balkan Stomp**, the **Burdel Dali** trans-global dj collective, and many more talented musicians and performers.

Other initiatives include a live music-driven body painting experiment featuring local artists and musicians, yoga workshops lead by Anastasia Nevin of the renowned Laughing Lotus Yoga studio, Tahitian dance workshops and performances, belly dance workshops, henna tattoo artists, tarot card readers, and more.

The festival will take place May 17th – 19th, 2013 at the Onderdonk House (1820 Flushing Avenue, Ridgewood). Live music will begin at approximately 6PM each day, preceded by morning dance and music workshops, creative initiatives and food/drink. Guests can purchase a day pass or a full weekend pass and must obtain a pass to pitch a tent and camp. All tickets are available at our website to purchase in advance at a substantial discount: <http://bohemianfestival.com>



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Background

Since the late 1990s, Mehanata, (Bulgarian for “tavern”) has been acknowledged as Ground Zero for intercultural “Gypsy” dance parties in Manhattan, attracting people from dozens of nationalities living in and visiting New York City, who come ready to partake in the most unique continuous celebration on the East Coast...

The free spirited celebratory culture and border-eliminating energy generated by its patrons has made for amazing nights of music, dance, and all festive chaos, centered around and inspired by global Gypsy/Roma, Balkan, and world music. Mehanata helped produce the first-ever NY Gypsy Festival in 2005, and went on to cultivate a variety of festivals and celebrations throughout the years, including Roma film festivals and hyper-festive cultural events.

This year, Mehanata follows up their three day tabor-style camp-out in May with an event that will celebrate world-roots and a free-spirited bohemian festivity.

The Vander Ende-Onderdonk House

The Onderdonk House is a historical landmark in Ridgewood, Queens. It is the oldest Dutch Colonial stone house in NYC, decorated in part with its original 19th century furnishings. It was originally built in 1661, and now serves as a cultural center and museum. The surrounding field is a lush, green space with room for camping, BBQ-ing, games, dancing, and performances.

The House serves as a museum for a permanent exhibit on the archaeology of the Onderdonk site, as well as changing exhibits relating to history, the arts and culture. The Society also maintains a history and genealogical research library, and offers many cultural events annually, including: guided house tours, history lectures and programs, genealogy workshops, craft classes and special events, such as St. Nicholas Day and other Dutch celebrations. The history and location of the house provide a rich educational and cultural experience for visitors.



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