

THE DSA 2018 INTERNATIONAL CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL

The Date: Sunday 25th November 2018

The Venue: Hilton Hotel, Conference Hall, Pobřežní 1, Praha 8

The Time: 10.00 a.m. – 16.00 p.m.

Tickets on: www.ticketstream.cz

Again, this year, the Diplomatic Spouse Association is organising the annual CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL. This is a great opportunity to discover costumes, products and food from many different countries and to find original Christmas presents. Come and enjoy a different Sunday on 25th November 2018 between 10.00 a.m. and 16.00 p.m. at the Hilton Hotel, Conference Hall, Pobřežní 1, Praha 8. All the proceeds go to Czech charitable organisations.

The Diplomatic Spouses Association (DSA) under the auspices of the First Lady, Madam Ivana Zemanova, once again cordially invites you on an amazing adventure journey through more than 40 international communities and countries around the world.

Diplomats, often dressed in national costumes, sell typical products from their countries in the conference hall of the Hotel Hilton. With each stand you visit, the distinct aromas of the countries they represent will captivate you. The rainbow of costumes together with the potpourri of ethnicity, the music and dance are the guarantee to make this year's celebration a one-of-a-kind experience, and an opportunity to purchase your Christmas presents. You will be able to choose among food delicacies and treats, toys, cosmetics, fashion and jewellery as well as electronics and decorative objects. The arts and crafts shows such as the silk and henna paintings and the fruit carvings are a MUST; not to be missed! In the "Kids Corner", the Music Academy of Prague will take care of the children visitors. The activities will include playing with different instruments, creating basic percussion instruments and singing.

The DSA Festival is one of the most prestigious and widely celebrated Christmas events in the Czech Republic. It attracts thousands of visitors each year. One hundred percent of the funds raised is distributed solely to Czech charitable organizations in the Czech Republic.

Thanks to your patronage of the Christmas Festival, the DSA since 2007 has raised over 66 million CZK, mainly through sales of tickets, goods at the stalls, internet auction and from private sponsors and corporate donations. The DSA supports many organisations such as hospitals and hospices as well as orphanages and social centres. After more than 20 years of charitable activity, the DSA legacy continues to bring together different cultures and promote friendship while focusing on supporting some of the less privileged people in the Czech Republic.



Detailed information about the charity works and individual donations is available on the DSA website: <u>http://www.dsaprague.org/</u> and on Facebook: <u>www.facebook.com/dsaprague</u>

Avoid the queue and save some money by getting tickets through pre-sale for 100 CZK on <u>www.ticketstream.cz</u> (vánoční festival) or at the door for 150,- CZK on the day of the festival. Children under 12 are free.

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<u>Photographs from International Christmas Festival 2017, courtesy of Leah Takata,</u> <u>https://www.dropbox.com/sh/5f1htqbmqjomcdw/AACHB7ffU-TrzpNWxqgWXeHYa?dl=0</u>

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For more information and application forms visit <u>www.dsaprague.org/charities</u>. The deadline for grant application is: **15. 1. 2019.**

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