

# Soviet Cartoons, 'Ruslan and Lyudmila' Ballet and 'The Cherry Orchard' – What to Do in Moscow on the Weekend

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**The Cherry Orchard (Vishnyovy Sad):** Vladimir Mirzoyev's melancholy production of Chekhov's play about an aristocratic family that is out of touch with the times. Pushkin Theater.

**Cartoon Opera (Multik-Opera):** Helikon Opera soloists, choir and orchestra perform songs from popular Russian children's films. Helikon Opera on Arbat. 11 Novy Arbat, Bldg. 2. Metro Arbatskaya. 495-695-6584. Sun. at 2 p.m.

**La Boheme (Bogema):** a moving production of Puccini's opera about the loves, passions and deceptions of a group of artists in the Latin Quarter of Paris in the 1830s. Performed in Italian. Stanislavsky and Nemirovich-Danchenko Musical Theater. 17 Bolshaya Dmitrovka. Metro Tverskaya, Chekhovskaya. 495-723-7325. Sat. at 7 p.m.

**Cinderella (Zolushka):** Prokofiev's ballet based on the fairy tale. Choreographed and staged

by Oleg Vinogradov. Stanislavsky and Nemirovich-Danchenko Musical Theater. 17 Bolshaya Dmitrovka. Metro Tverskaya, Chekhovskaya. 495-723-7325. Fri. at 7 p.m.

**Ruslan and Lyudmila:** a folkloric ballet based on Mikhail Glinka's operatic treatment of Pushkin's poem. A young man must employ magic to rescue his beloved from the clutches of an evil dwarf. Kremlin Ballet production. Kremlin Palace. Moscow Kremlin, the Troitsky Gate entrance. Metro Alexandrovsky Sad. Ticket office 1 Ulitsa Vozdvizhenka. Metro Borovitskaya. 495-628-5232. [kremlinpalace.org](http://kremlinpalace.org). Sat. at 2 p.m.

**The Cherry Orchard** (Vishnyovy Sad): Vladimir Mirzoyev's melancholy production of Chekhov's play about an aristocratic family that is out of touch with the times. Pushkin Theater. 23 Tverskoi Bulvar. Metro Pushkinskaya. 495-694-1289. Sat. at 7 p.m.

### Foreign-Language Movies

**Beat Film: Iris** (2014): The last film of the late legendary filmmaker Albert Maysles features Iris Apfel, a 93-year-old interior designer, businesswoman and style maven whose impact on New York fashion can be traced back decades.

*Formula Kino Gorizont. 21/10 Komsomolsky Prospekt. Metro Frunzenskaya. 800-250-8025. Sun. at 5 p.m. In English; Russian subtitles.*

**Kidnapping Mr. Heineken** (2015): The inside story of the planning, execution, rousing aftermath and ultimate downfall of the kidnapers of beer tycoon Alfred "Freddy" Heineken (Anthony Hopkins), which resulted in the largest ransom ever paid for an individual. Directed by Daniel Alfredson.

*35MM. 47/24 Ulitsa Pokrovka. Metro Krasniye Vorota, Kurskaya. 495-780-9142. Fri. at 6:40 p.m., Sat. at 10:40 p.m., Sun. at 2:25 p.m. In English, Dutch and German; Russian subtitles.*

*Pioner. 21 Kutuzovsky Prospekt. Metro Kutuzovskaya. 499-240-5240. Fri. at 2:30 and 7:10 p.m., Sat. at 3:55 and 9:25 p.m., Sun. at 6:05 and 10:45 p.m. In English, Dutch and German; Russian subtitles.*

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