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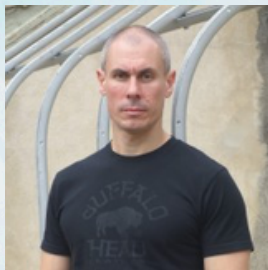
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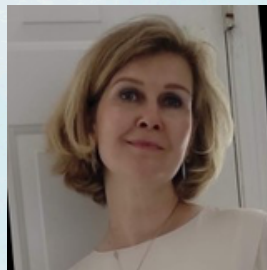
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"TREASURE ISLAND"

**THE NUMBER OF TICKETS IS LIMITED!
REGISTRATION WILL BEGIN ON NOVEMBER 15, 2025.**



**SUNDAY
DECEMBER 21ST, 2025**

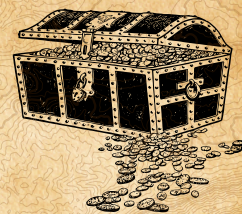


**ROMANTIC PARTY CENTER
5131 MAYFIELD RD**





MEET THE CHARACTERS OF OUR ADVENTURE!



Katerina Turichenko



Role: Host

Sews, glues, fixes — and does everything to make the show look like a treasure!

Sergei Sysuev



Role: Ded Moroz

Making his debut on our stage, but with tons of experience! Jokes around like a true pirate...

Tonya Mohamed



Role: Snegurochka

Our chief rehearsal captain (the script is all her work). Always lifts the spirits of everyone around!

Aleksandr Okhapkin



Role: Captain Smollett

Modest, yet always boldly leads on stage. Knows how to steer an imaginary ship.

Nikita Nikonov



Role: Dr. Livesey

He stumbled into our crew, but now no ship sails without him! Kind and dependable.

Aleksandra Okhapkina



Role: Elizabeth Turner

A true mischievous pirate! Loves to dance, even after the music stops.

Elena Sysueva



Role: Billy Bones

Not afraid of the stage — the stage is afraid of her! Can be a princess, a witch, or even a pirate...

Olesya Tsareva



Role: Mouse Leader

Adds her own "spark" to every scene! Once a guest at the last year's Yolka, now she leads the mouse crew herself.

Rada Srebnitskaya



Role: Parrot

Our youngest actress and the daughter of the Mouse Leader!



WANT TO IMPROVE YOUR SPOKEN ENGLISH, MAKE NEW FRIENDS, AND HAVE A GREAT TIME? JOIN OUR MULTICULTURAL ESL CLUB OF CLEVELAND, ORGANIZED BY TEACHER TONYA MOHAMED!

CLUB MEETINGS ARE HELD MONTHLY – STAY UPDATED ON OUR PAGE:

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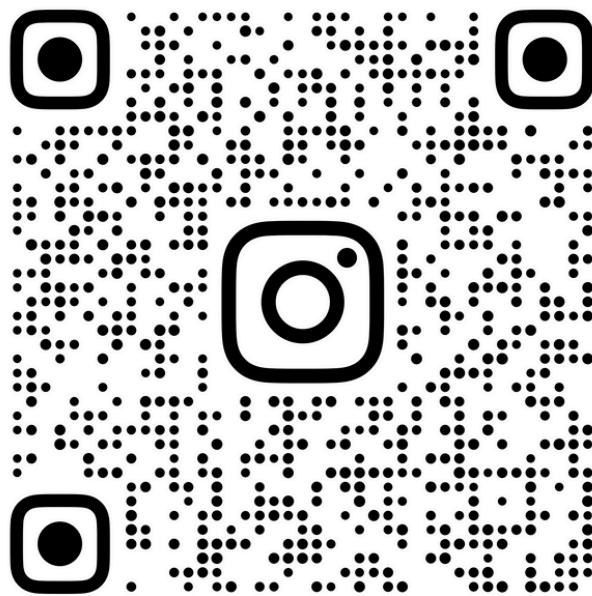
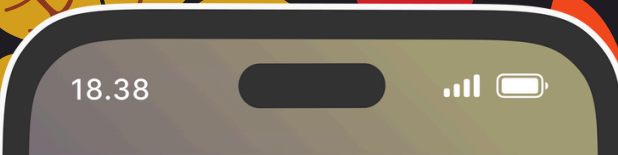


THE CLUB INCLUDES:

-  **SPOKEN ENGLISH PRACTICE**
-  **SHARING RESOURCES AND EXPERIENCES**
-  **BOARD GAMES**
-  **WARM AND FRIENDLY SOCIALIZING**

**EVERYONE IS WELCOME – ANY ENGLISH LEVEL, ANY AGE!
COME WITH YOUR WHOLE FAMILY AND INVITE YOUR FRIENDS!**

**WE ARE ON
INSTAGRAM!**



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ZODIAC IN SHOCK: WHAT AWAITS IN NOVEMBER 2025



ARIES:
IN NOVEMBER, YOU'LL FEEL
READY TO START A NEW LIFE
AGAIN — BUT FOR NOW,
STICK TO A NEW MUG AND A
BIT OF FAITH IN BETTER
DAYS.



TAURUS:
YOU URGENTLY NEED TO
SLOW DOWN. THE WORLD
WON'T COLLAPSE IF YOU
JUST LIE DOWN AND
LISTEN TO THE SILENCE.



GEMINI:
YOU'LL RETHINK, REVIEW,
AND CHANGE YOUR MIND
ABOUT EVERYTHING —
AND CALL IT "SELF-
IMPROVEMENT."



CANCER:
YOU CRAVE PEACE AND
COZINESS, BUT THE
UNIVERSE HAS PLANNED
SOME CHEERFUL CHAOS.
EMBRACE IT AS AN
ADVENTURE.



LEO:
THE WORLD DOESN'T
EXACTLY REVOLVE
AROUND YOU — BUT
IN NOVEMBER, IT'LL
GIVE IT A TRY.



VIRGO:
YOU'LL SAVE EVERYTHING
AGAIN — DEADLINES,
RELATIONSHIPS, AND
ORDER AT HOME. JUST
DON'T FORGET ABOUT
YOURSELF.



LIBRA:
YOUR WAVERING
BETWEEN "YES" AND
"NO" MAY LAST UNTIL
DECEMBER. BUT WHEN
YOU DECIDE, IT'LL BE
PERFECT.



SCORPIO:
NOVEMBER IS YOUR
SEASON. DRAMATIC,
PASSIONATE, AND WITH A
TOUCH OF MYSTERY —
JUST THE WAY YOU LIKE IT.



SAGITTARIUS:
CRAVING ADVENTURE?
CHECK YOUR BANK
ACCOUNT — THE ADVENTURE
HAS ALREADY BEGUN.



CAPRICORN:
WORK WON'T RUN
AWAY. BUT YOU'LL
CHASE IT ANYWAY —
JUST ON PRINCIPLE.



AQUARIUS:
THE WORLD ISN'T
READY FOR YOUR
IDEAS, BUT THAT'S
NO REASON NOT TO
JOT THEM DOWN.



PISCES:
FALL MOODS CHANGE AS
QUICKLY AS SONGS IN
YOUR PLAYLIST. THE KEY
— DON'T HIT "REPEAT."

VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH

VOICES OF THE RUSSIAN GARDEN



**NIKITA
NIKONOV**

Dear Nikita, congratulations on earning the well-deserved title of Volunteer of the Month!

Your charisma and sense of humor make every celebration at the Russian Cultural Garden truly fun and memorable!

You made everyone laugh and captivated guests as a jester at Maslenitsa, starred as the main character in the children's play The Turnip, and ahead of you lies a new role in our New Year's performance!

Thank you for your energy, artistry, and ability to fill the audience with joy. We're thrilled to have you as part of our wonderful team!

We wish you bright roles, endless inspiration, and thunderous applause!

TELL US A LITTLE ABOUT YOURSELF — WHERE ARE YOU FROM AND WHAT DO YOU ENJOY DOING IN YOUR FREE TIME?

Originally from Moscow, where I spent the first 11 years of my life. I now live in Cleveland and work in the IT field. I enjoy skiing, attending live music concerts, and I'm learning to play the guitar. During the pandemic, I bought a balalaika from the 1970s and restored it myself.



HOW DID YOUR FIRST ENCOUNTER WITH OUR GARDEN HAPPEN, AND WHAT WAS IT THAT CAPTURED YOUR HEART?

My first encounter with the Garden happened when I saw volunteers preparing for the dances at the Maslenitsa celebration. The event itself and the performances were wonderful! I watched everything with great excitement and even joined in.

WHAT INSPIRES YOU THE MOST IN OUR GARDEN?

What inspires me most in the Russian Garden is seeing people from different walks of life come together to do something positive, despite their own daily challenges. I also deeply appreciate the chance to see and hear Russian art, language, and humor – all the things that have become a precious rarity for me here in America.



JOIN THE VOLUNTEER TEAM OF THE RUSSIAN CULTURAL GARDEN!



**LOOKING FOR NEW FRIENDS IN CLEVELAND? VOLUNTEERING AT THE
RUSSIAN CULTURAL GARDEN IS A GREAT WAY TO MEET NEW PEOPLE
AND BECOME PART OF A FRIENDLY TEAM!**

**IT DOESN'T REQUIRE A PERMANENT COMMITMENT – YOU CAN HELP
WHENEVER YOU HAVE THE TIME AND DESIRE.**



**INTERESTED? EMAIL US AT
RUSSIANGARDENCE@GMAIL.COM.
WE WELCOME EVERYONE!**

EDITORIAL RECOMMENDS!

IF YOU LOVE MUSIC AND
FUN QUIZZES, **YOMAHA
YOMASHOW** IS JUST FOR
YOU!

IT'S AN EXCITING MUSICAL
QUIZ WHERE PARTICIPANTS
GUESS SONGS AND SIMPLY
HAVE A GREAT TIME WITH
FRIENDS.

OUR VOLUNTEERS ARE
FREQUENT ATTENDEES! WE
COMPETE FOR PRIZES, TAKE
PART IN CONTESTS, AND
SING AT THE TOP OF OUR
LUNGS.

IF YOU WANT TO JOIN THE
NEXT GAME, STAY TUNED
FOR UPDATES AND DON'T
MISS THE CHANCE TO
SPEND AN
UNFORGETTABLE EVENING!



DID YOU KNOW?

What November Promises: Time-Tested Signs



The way November is, so will the winter be.

It was believed that November is a mirror of winter: if the month is snowy, the winter will be harsh; if rainy, the winter will be mild and wet.

On Dmitriev Day (November 8), snow means a long winter.

If the ground was covered with snow on this day, people believed it wouldn't melt until spring. Dmitriev Day was considered the boundary between autumn and winter.

On Mikhailov Day (November 21), winter takes charge.

After this holiday, people expected the first real frosts. If it snowed on Mikhailov Day, blizzards would follow all winter; if it was calm and clear, the winter would be mild and steady.

If the stars shine brightly in November – expect frost; if they are dim – expect snow.

Our ancestors knew how to read the sky. By the night's starry glow, peasants could tell when to expect the first severe frost.

Your support is the future of the Russian-speaking community.

Dear friends,

The Russian Cultural Garden is a place where Russian culture lives: children get to know Pushkin, folk songs fill the air, and we feel like one big family.

With love, our volunteers create a space where people can connect with their roots and pass them on. From flower beds to concerts, everything is done by hand, often using personal resources. The garden needs your support to thrive and grow. Every donation is an investment in **our culture and community**.

Making a contribution is easy:

Send any amount via Zelle to: russianguardencle@gmail.com

In the note, please write: **"Donation for Russian Cultural Garden"**.

Every contribution matters — even the smallest amount makes a big difference.

Thanks to you, culture continues to thrive.



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- A review of past events;
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Stay connected with our culture and history!

