Culture Night 2026: The Programme is Ready

Look forward to a magical night in Copenhagen and Frederiksberg

When darkness descends on Copenhagen and Frederiksberg Friday 9 October, it is the starting signal of a very special night. This is when Culture Night invites everyone to explore more than 200 unique events and to look for hidden treasures which are hiding behind the city's beautiful, illuminated facades. The full programme is on the homepage today, so you can start planning your route and begin to look forward to an eventful evening.



On 9 October it is again time for the year's biggest cultural one-day event in Copenhagen where more than 200 organisers open their doors and invite you to come in and enjoy wonderful, funny and exciting special events. On Culture Night you can experience all kinds of activities and places ranging from the Parliament, ministries and courthouses to churches, castles and museums *by night*, and on this special evening the streets too are humming and buzzing with life and light in the autumn darkness.

"For 33 years, Friday before the autumn holidays has equalled Culture Night in Copenhagen, and every year we take pleasure and pride in the support we continue to meet from guests and organisers. Culture Night is a lovely tradition and also a possibility where you can continue to experience something new. When all of us together meet the autumn darkness and share experiences in the city areas which are suddenly open instead of closed there is magic in the air," says Head of Secretariat for Culture Night, Marie Myschetzky.

This year on Culture Night you can visit a wide range of historical buildings which are open to guests this one night. For instance, take a tour with the inhabitants of Borchs Kollegium from the 16th century or enjoy the Odd Fellow Palace, Frederiksberg Palace or the more than 250 year old beautiful premises of The Order of Chain. You can appear before a judge in Copenhagen's more than 200 year old City Court and let yourself be enveloped by sound and light in Christiansborg Palace Chapel or in the beautiful Royal Stables.

On Refshaleøen a luminous route leads you to a wealth of experiences in the old buildings and ships. Skabelonloftet opens up a world of music, art and creativity, and Copenhagen Contemporary offers you fantastic works of art and films in open air by world famous Camille Henrot. In the B&W Industrial Halls, which are normally closed to visitors, you can with the ceiling 70 m above you be blown away by the monumental light and sound work of art 'Da Niente'. Go past the Opera House and experience the fantastic area on and behind the main stage, swing by the Nyhavn Veteran Ships' Harbour and feel the unique maritime atmosphere above and below deck. If your tired Culture Night feet are starting to need some spoiling, take an evening candlelight swim in the Frederiksberg Swimming Pool, or enjoy a foot bath and tapas in the beautiful Sofie Baths or how about a freezing dip and sauna in Vinterbad Bryggen.

Look forward to an unforgettable evening with Culture Night in Copenhagen and Frederiksberg 9 October. All you need is a Culture Night Pass, which opens the doors to exciting locations which normally cannot be experienced after dark.

More information about Culture Night 2026

The many special events of Culture Night can be experienced 9 October 18:00-24:00 (some events only until 23:00). A few events require registration in advance as mentioned in the programme.

All you need to take part in Culture Night is a Culture Night Pass. The Culture Night Pass costs DKK 125 and it gives you and two children under 12 free access to all events during Culture Night.

On Culture Night, the Culture Night Pass also gives you free transport by bus, train, Metro and light rail in Greater Copenhagen zones 1-99 and also two children under the age of 12 when in the company of the pass holder. The Culture Night Pass provides free transport in the time frame 16:00 to 04:00.

Every year we invite a new artist to interpret the year's Culture Night. This year the widely recognised visual artist Ida Kvetny has designed the Culture Night poster for 2026. Ida Kvetny works in the crossfield of painting, sculpture and digital technologies, and is well-known for her colourful and sensual art.

About Culture Night

Culture Night saw the light of day in 1993 and has been Denmark's biggest one-day event for more than 30 years. The Culture Night Association plans and carries out Culture Night, and the object of the association has right from the start been to create the city's biggest cultural event in which everyone can take part. Members do not pay dues, and everyone works for free except the Culture Night secretariat. Culture Night receives no subsidies from the state nor the municipalities. All income stems from the sale of Culture Night Passes, and any profits are exclusively used to fund cultural events at next year's Culture Night in Copenhagen.

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