Nordic Cultural Currents: Unveiling Upcoming Festivals, Design Innovations, a

Nordic Culture · Practice Test · 15 Questions

1. The 2025 edition of Stockholm Design Week, visually defined by the work of Finnish textile artist Kustaa Saksi, will feature a notable exhibition from Swedish studio Claesson Koivisto Rune. What historical design figures' works will this exhibition alongside contemporary designs present?

A) Gunnar Cyrén, Carl Milles, and Sigurd Lewerentz
B) Hans Wegner, Alvar Aalto, and Gio Ponti
C) Poul Henningsen, Arne Jacobsen, and Finn Juhl
D) Bruno Mathsson, Yngve Ekström, and Börge Mogensen

2. The Riddu Riddu international Indigenous festival in Norway in 2024 includes a concert by which renowned Sámi singer?

A) Jon Henrik Fjällgren
B) Sofia Jannok
C) Mari Boine
D) Elle Márjá Eira

3. Which Finnish textile artist's work is set to visually define the 2025 edition of Stockholm Design Week, according to a newly appointed managing director?

A) Ilkka Suppanen
B) Kustaa Saksi
C) Ann-Sofie Back
D) Janne Kyttanen

4. The Helsinki Film Festival 2025 is scheduled to take place from September 18th to 28th. Which of the following is NOT listed as a film title for 2025 in the festival's preliminary lineup?

A) It Was Just an Accident
B) Sentimental Value
C) The Chronology of Water
D) The Aurora's Embrace

5. In 2025, the Oslo Tech Show, Norway's largest event for high-tech transformation, will feature six leading technology events. Which of these is NOT among them?

A) Big Data & AI Expo
B) Cyber Security Expo
C) Quantum Computing Expo
D) Cloud Expo

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6. The Kaustinen Folk Music Festival in 2025 will explore the theme of 'Migration,' focusing on cultural exchange. What is notable about this festival's legacy within the Nordic region?

A) It is the youngest and largest Nordic folk festival.
B) It is the oldest and largest Nordic folk festival.
C) It is the only Nordic festival dedicated solely to Sámi music.
D) It was founded in 2000 and quickly gained international acclaim.

7. Which of the following Nordic countries is implementing a framework for local tourist taxes, potentially up to 5% on accommodation costs, by summer 2025 to fund local improvements?

A) Sweden
B) Finland
C) Denmark
D) Norway

8. The 'Nordic Echoes -- Tradition in Contemporary Art' exhibition opens at Scandinavia House in April 2025. What region of the United States is this exhibition drawing its contemporary Nordic folk art and traditions from?

A) The Pacific Northwest
B) The Upper Midwest
C) New England
D) The Rocky Mountains

9. Sámi National Day is celebrated on February 6th. In 2025, coinciding with this day, the annual Sámi Film Festival will run from February 6th to 13th, with programs curated by which acclaimed visual artist?

A) Britta Marakatt Labba
B) Matti Aikio
C) Lotta Suomi
D) Ánde Somby

10. The Scandinavian International Film Festival (SCIFF) in Helsinki, Finland, in September 2025, aims to shed light on contemporary global issues. Which of these is NOT explicitly mentioned as a focus for the festival's themes?

A) Racism
B) Radicalism
C) Economic Inequality
D) Humanitarian Crises

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11. The 2025 edition of the 'Borrowed from the Loop' exhibition at the Stockholm Furniture Fair, embodying Flokk's commitment to the circular economy, was designed by which studio?

A) Note Design Studio
B) Form Us With Love
C) Hunting & Narud
D) Claesson Koivisto Rune

12. In Finland, the trend of 'Nordic Wellness and Mental Health Culture' in 2025 is seeing a reimagining of traditional practices. Which of these is specifically mentioned as being combined with modern mindfulness and meditation programs?

A) Lappish shamanism
B) Finnish sauna culture
C) Kantele music therapy
D) Kalevala storytelling

13. The 'Northern Lights Festival' in Tromsø, Norway, has kept its core in classical music but also presents a broad genre of musical expressions. When does this festival typically take place?

A) Late June to early July
B) Late October to early November
C) January/February
D) Late August to early September

14. The 'Nordic and Baltic democracy festivals' for 2025 include an event in Bornholm, Denmark, called 'People's Festival'. What dates is this festival scheduled for?

A) June 11 & 12
B) June 20-21
C) June 12-14
D) August 8-9

15. The Tampere International Film Festival in Finland is one of the three largest short film festivals in Europe. It gathers filmmakers, students, and film lovers annually in March. Which of the following films listed for 2025 is NOT from Finland?

A) A SOUTH FACING WINDOW
B) LIVING DESPITE THEM
C) MEMORIES MOVE LIKE DISTANT ISLANDS
D) THE GATE TO PARADISE

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