



MARIJANA DAKIĆ

ARTISTIC CHOREOGRAPHER & FOLKLORE
ENSEMBLE DIRECTOR – CULTURAL CREATOR –
ARTISTIC PROGRAM ORGANIZER – CERTIFIED
CHESS ARBITER



Marijana Dakić is a distinguished choreographer with over 20 years of experience, founder and artistic director of the Folklore Ensembles “Duga” and “Duga Montenegro.” She actively contributes to the folklore scene as one of the co-founders of the Association of Folklore Ensembles of Montenegro, where she has held various positions, including her current role as President of the Podgorica Region. She is also a member of the International Organization of Folk Art (IOV Montenegro) under UNESCO and serves as Montenegro’s representative within FIDAF, the International Federation of Dance Festivals. Beyond folklore, she is engaged in organizing chess tournaments, conducting research, and staging adaptations of the traditions of northern Montenegro. She has organized numerous cultural events, humanitarian initiatives, and dance competitions, and is the author and producer of the video project “Pearl of Montenegro” (2024). With 30 years of performing experience, she has appeared worldwide and created choreographies for various folklore ensembles, while continuously dedicating herself to the preservation and promotion of Montenegro’s cultural heritage.

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Coreographs

Vasojevička svadba

Igre sa Vrsute

Igre sa Golije

Stilizovane igre spičanskog kraja

Vlaške igre

Igre iz okoline Pirota

Vrnjanska svita

Dječije igre iz Crne Gore

Bunjevačke igre

Igre iz Crne Gore

Romske igre

Biser Crne Gore

Memberships

- IOV Montenegro - President
- UFACG - President of the Podgorica Region
- FIDAF - Representative of Montenegro

Selected Festivals & Projects

- NFI – National Festival of Interculture (under the patronage of the President of Montenegro)
- Biser Crne Gore – folklore music video highlighting Montenegro’s intercultural scene (“Pearl of Montenegro”)
- “Evening of Ethno Music” & “Podgorica Old City Folk Dances”
- DEUS – “Folklorashi igrom i pjesmom svome gradu” – Folklore Dance Festival within the December Art Scene manifestation of the City of Podgorica
- “Svi plešemo – srce igrom darujemo” – Folk Dance Festival of the Podgorica Region (UFACG)
- “Dječiji folklorni festival – Podgorički pazar” – Children’s Folklore Festival – Podgorica Bazaar
- “Maleni čuvari tradicije – Berane” – Children’s Folklore Festival – Berane
- “Jasikovački đerdani – Berane” – Veterans’ Folklore Festival – Berane

Awards & Recognitions

- First Prize, Little Golden Opanak, Valjevo 2007
- First Prize, Catalina Festival, Iași, Romania 2018
- First Prize, Dances from Montenegro, Romania 2023
- Award for Outstanding Contribution to Culture, Bangladesh 2021
- Recognition for Contribution to Folklore, UFA Montenegro 2024
- Certificate of Appreciation from the Community of Montenegrins in Albania, 2025

Expertise

- Organisation & Production of Festivals and Major Cultural Events
- Field Folklore Research
- Pedagogical and Leadership Work
- Team & Protocol Coordination
- Humanitarian Work