

XXIV. Csángó Festival
22th February (Saturday) 2020
Millenáris Park

**“My yard is packed with torches ablaze”
Csángó Advent**

In the past two decades, we could have a deep insight into the Csángó Hungarian traditions from everyday customs through festive occasions to family events by displaying their dances, songs, poems, films, books, photos, collections and oeuvres of renowned folklorists and the activity of famous Csángó persons.

Continuing the tradition of setting renowned days or periods of the calendar on stage we started in 2017, the 24th Csángó Festival's show will present the Christmas season. The 24th Csángó Festival evokes the atmosphere of the preparation period of Advent. The preparation time is set for cleansing our souls in a period that leads to the most beautiful season of the year: Christmas. The speciality of the 24th Csángó Festival is that all of the different csángó groups will revive their traditions on stage. They will perform several local songs, dances and habits connected to the Christmas season.

The programmes on the stage will be followed by dance houses, concerts, song teaching and other programmes at several places.

However, we find it important to present certain elements of Csángó culture not only through traditional means but also through contemporary arts. The public can see the works of Mária Petrás ceramist at our exhibition. Csángó gastronomy has become an obligatory part of our festive event and we are not going to miss it this year either.

The patron of the XXIV. Csángó Ball is dr. János Áder, the President of Hungary.

Stage director of the show: Diószegi László