

Maribor Space Installation

ARCHITECTURE IN TRANSFORMATION: RAČJI DVOR BETWEEN HISTORY AND THE FUTURE

8–9 October 2025

Wednesday, 8 October 2025

15:00–17:00

Panel Discussion: The Future of Račji dvor

Maribor Art Gallery, Strossmayerjeva ulica 6

On the green edge of the city, the Račji dvor estate and Wagner's house offer food for thought about their reactivation and integration into public life. We will talk to those who inhabit this unique architectural heritage, protect it, seek opportunities in it, and plan its future.

Guest speakers:

- Saša Arsenovič, Mayor of the Municipality of Maribor
- dr. Vinko Logaj, Minister of Education and Science
- Anton Krajnc, Principal of the Maribor Biotechnical School
- Sašo Šilec, Representative of the benedictine Priory of Maribor

- Stojan Skalicky, Architect
- Suzana Vešligaj, Institute for the Protection of Cultural Heritage – Maribor regional unit

Moderated by: Simona Vidmar Čelik, UGM Director

Thursday, 9 October 2025

16:00–20:00

Račji dvor, Raški dol 1

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Opening of Architectural and Artistic Interventions

Join us for the opening and presentation of artistic interventions at Račji dvor. We invite you to meet and talk with the authors of the interventions.

• Where Are You Hidding, Račji dvor?, authors: Lena Uranjek and Ishak Hadžibajrić

The young architectural team from Maribor and Sarajevo intervenes the Račji dvor estate with their artistic intervention in a lyrical and playful manner. Sheets stretched across main spots surrounding the mansion form an interactive map equipped with pictograms and historical facts. The usual walk under Kalvarija is transformed into an experience of exploration and playfulness.

• REVOLUTION 638 497/3. The Awakening of a Forgotten Space, authors: Maša Perc and Žiga Miholič

Two young Maribor locals, both architecture students focus their intervention on the area around Račji dvor and the activities most commonly practiced there—walking, running, and relaxing in nature. By placing wooden pillars on the lawn and a sports surface on the concrete platform in front of the mansion, the authors invite visitors to the temporary outdoor gym, one of the most beautiful and relaxing areas of the estate.

17:00–18:00

Student Spatial Strategies and Ideas for Račji dvor

Architectural and urban planning workshop

The Department of Architecture at the University of Maribor joined in the discussion about Račji dvor. At the workshop, students will present their visions. The presentation will be moderated by Melita Rozman Cafuta, PhD and Stojan Skalicky.

18:00–19:00

A Walk Through the History of Račji dvor With Boris Hajdinjak

Boris Hajdinjak, a well-known Maribor historian and Director of the Maribor Synagogue, will guide you through the exciting history of the Račji dvor estate.

16:00–20:00

Get-Together With Bubbles and Music

An autumn gathering under the mighty linden tree in front of Račji dvor.

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