

**7. International Sand Sculpture Festival / 2. USF World Solo Championship
June 7th – August 30th 2009 at the Berlin Hauptbahnhof (central station)**

The SANDSATIION programme

Food and drinks at the beach bar, deckchairs at the River Spree bank and a diverse programme for kids and grown-ups, open-air amidst the fascinating sculptures this creates the special atmosphere of SANDSATIION. Queer nights, salsa evenings, sand sculpture workshops and music, it's the SANDSATIION tradition to present a varied programme alongside the sculptures. A lot of love and care has gone into this year's programme and the hosts played their joker card: thanks to a large circus tent, the SANDSATIION evening programme is weatherproof. When the weather's fine, parties, shows and chill-out goes topless and with an amazing view on the sculptures – in case of bad weather, all takes place in the SANDSATIION circus tent.

There will be a regular update for the media. For the latest information on SANDSATIION events, parties and concerts please also check www.sandsation.de.

Dates:

July 12th, 5p.m., Announcement of the Audience's Favourite

A weekend for two persons in a suite of the Berlin Hotel Gates City East (www.hotel-gates.com) as well as a designer espresso machine by Mokador (www.mokador.de) will be raffled to the participants. Other prizes are vouchers for breakfast at Hotel Gates City East and day passes for SANDSATIION.

July 15th-19th, Voting of the Children's Favourite

In the city of future the young residents between 3 and 16 years of age also get their say in how they want to live. Young people between the ages of 7 and 16 pay a special admission fee of 2 EURO during this time period. After July 19th lots of surprise prizes – from BIG, Legoland and Sealife to name a few – will be raffled to the participants.

July 18th, from 8p.m., Travesty Show with Joosy Morin

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OMG! London, Rio, New York – non-stop phone calls from these annoying agents. In addition to: fixing the feather boa, collecting the tap shoes from the cobbler, getting new blades for the shaver. Joosy knows, a real show girl needs balls to get by. Exclusively for SANDSATIION, on TWO nights Joosy shows and gives her everything: musical, swing, singing and dance – her way. In one moment she's a vamp, the next she's a chansonette or a glitzy revue girl: with power and passion Joosy leads through the musical collages. With her personal lyrics and presentations she creates a vibrant, emotive stage show. Makeup: adorable. Costumes: perfect. Songs: naturally live! You want a taste of it? Check www.youtube.com/watch?v=x-JXIMY_ssA
Admission: 6 EURO

July 19th, Sandsational summer holidays

It's the start of the summer holidays in Berlin and Brandenburg and all day today there's so much to do at SANDSATIION: giant Sealife fish, a Lego workshop, face painting for children, a bouncy castle, raffle and contests. In cooperation with Legoland and Sealife SANDSATIION makes the start of the holidays into a great adventure. At about 4p.m. the children's most favourite sculpture from the Animal Park will be chosen and great prizes can be won.

July 24th, from 22p.m., Salsa@SANDSATIION

On the salsa night, music and colourful lights transform the SANDSATON site into a dreamworld. Admission: 3 EURO

July 25th, from 10p.m., TangoSANDSATON

Tango dancing, the evening sky, fascinating sculptures and atmospheric lights. Admission: 5 EURO

July 31st, 8p.m., The Sand beneath the Pavement – Performance

Along with the Berlin Carver Lena Tempich, five performers set out for an unusual experiment. Starting point of this work is the material and its shape in movement.

We listen to the sand and let it tell us its stories. Stories about childhood, about construction sites, beaches and cities, stories about becoming and vanishing. It's a journey!

With Christina Charalambous, Elena Walter, Isabelle Ullmann, Juana Ramirez, Lena Tempich

August 2nd, from 11a.m. until 5p.m., SANDSATON Family Day with children's sculpturing competition

On August 2nd, the best young sand artist will be chosen. All participants have the chance to win some great prizes from BIG and Gerolsteiner amongst others. While the kids learn from Berlin sand artist how to make a sculpture, play in the bouncy castle or get their faces painted, the grown-ups can relax and win a Mokador espresso machine. Children between 7 and 16 years only pay 2 Euro to get in this day.

For information and registration please check www.sandsation.de.

August 4th and 5th, KiTa Days

All kids have fun at SANDSATON. On both KiTa days one adult with each group of children gets free admission. The kids can win toys for their KiTa playing raffle!

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August 22nd, Bonfire and Lightfest

A beautiful summer day for everyone: during the day the kids go treasure hunting between the sand sculptures and at night the crackling fire creates a cosy summer atmosphere underneath the sky. When dusk falls, the site shines in colourful lights. Fire artists present their searing skills.

August 29th, from 10p.m., TangoSANDSATON

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August 30th, 10a.m. - 7p.m. Sculpture Exhibition – Last Chance

Every festival has to come to an end: even SANDSATON. Today's the last chance to marvel at the sculptures, participate in a sand workshop or join a guided tour to learn more about sand art!

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Regular events:

Free carving workshops for all ages:

Every Saturday and Sunday between 2p.m. and 6p.m.

Free guided tours:

Every Sunday at 3p.m.

Shining Sandsation:

Every Friday and Saturday from dusk until closing time SANDSATION fans get a very special treat when they can see the sculptures in a new light.

Salsa@Sandsation

On Fridays, from 10p.m.: This is an open-air oasis for all those who enjoy dancing with nothing but the sky above their heads. With their tunes, first-class DJs create some Caribbean atmosphere for salsa and SANDSATION fans alike.

For latest news on the programme, general information and images please visit www.sandsation.de