


Kalofer

1. Bulgarian Center for bobbin and needle lace
2. City Hall
3. Hristo Botev National Museum
4. Museum of Education
5. Cultural center
6. Creative Center of Kalofer bobbin lace
7. Holy Mother of God church
8. Saint Atanas church

# XXVI KALOFER LACE FESTIVAL

under the patronage of the President's wife, Mrs. Desislava Radeva

**August 15, Kalofer**

**08:00** **Dormition of the Blessed Virgin Mary - Festive Divine Liturgy**
Church of the Holy Virgin Mary, Memorial Complex "Hristo Botev"

**10:30** **Holly liturgy and opening of the festival**
Creative Center of Kalofer bobbin lace, Hristo Botev Memorial Complex

**11:00 – 18:00**
**Festival exhibitions:**
- **"Lace Landscapes" - Bistra Pisancheva,** Cultural center "Hristo Botev - 1869"
- **"Impression in Lace" - Krasimira Nikolova**, Cultural center "Hristo Botev - 1869"
- **"Hope" - an exhibition of students from the National Academy of Arts**, Cultural center "Hristo Botev - 1869"
- **Jubilee exhibition of Velichka Radulova's work**, Cultural center "Hristo Botev - 1869"
- **"Tradition in Modernity" - Elgina Velichkova**, Kalofer City Hall
- **"In memory of Mimi Dobreva"**, Kalofer City Hall
- **"From the hands of the SedyankaTa"**, Kalofer City Hall
- **"There is a place for us too!" -** frivolite lace, Kalofer City Hall
- **"Kalofer lace outside Kalofer"** Bulgarian Center for bobbin and needle lace
- **Exhibition of the " Bulgarian Center for bobbin and needle lace"** Bulgarian Center for bobbin and needle lace
- **"The Treasures of Kalofer",** Creative Center of Kalofer bobbin lace
- **"Lace Tremblings" - photo exhibition**, National Museum "Hristo Botev"

**- Lace making demonstrations,** Creative Center of Kalofer bobbin lace
**- Social Enterprise Bazaar by DarPazar,** Memorial Complex "Hristo Botev"

**17:00** **"Lace as a language without words" - large-scale lace knitting with the participation of Bistra Pisancheva, Stefan Karchev, Gaetan Ruske and the audience**
Memorial Complex "Hristo Botev"

**19:30** **Concert "Folklore Ballads" with the participation of Kaloyan Kumanov (accordion), Nadya Kazakova (vocals), Prof. Vladimir Vladimirov (guitar and tambourine) and Julian Yanev (piano and keyboard)**
Open stage, Hristo Botev Memorial Complex

**21:00** **Dance revue performance - a project of the Racho Stoyanov Drama Theater, Gabrovo**
Open stage, Hristo Botev Memorial Complex

**August 16, Kalofer**

**10:00 – 18:00**
**Festival exhibitions**
**Social Enterprise Bazaar by DarPazar,** Memorial Complex "Hristo Botev"

**20:00** **"The Fox and the Cats" - Concert by Militsa Gladnishka, Nikolay Vodenicharov - Niketsa and Ivan Velchev**
Open stage, Hristo Botev Memorial Complex

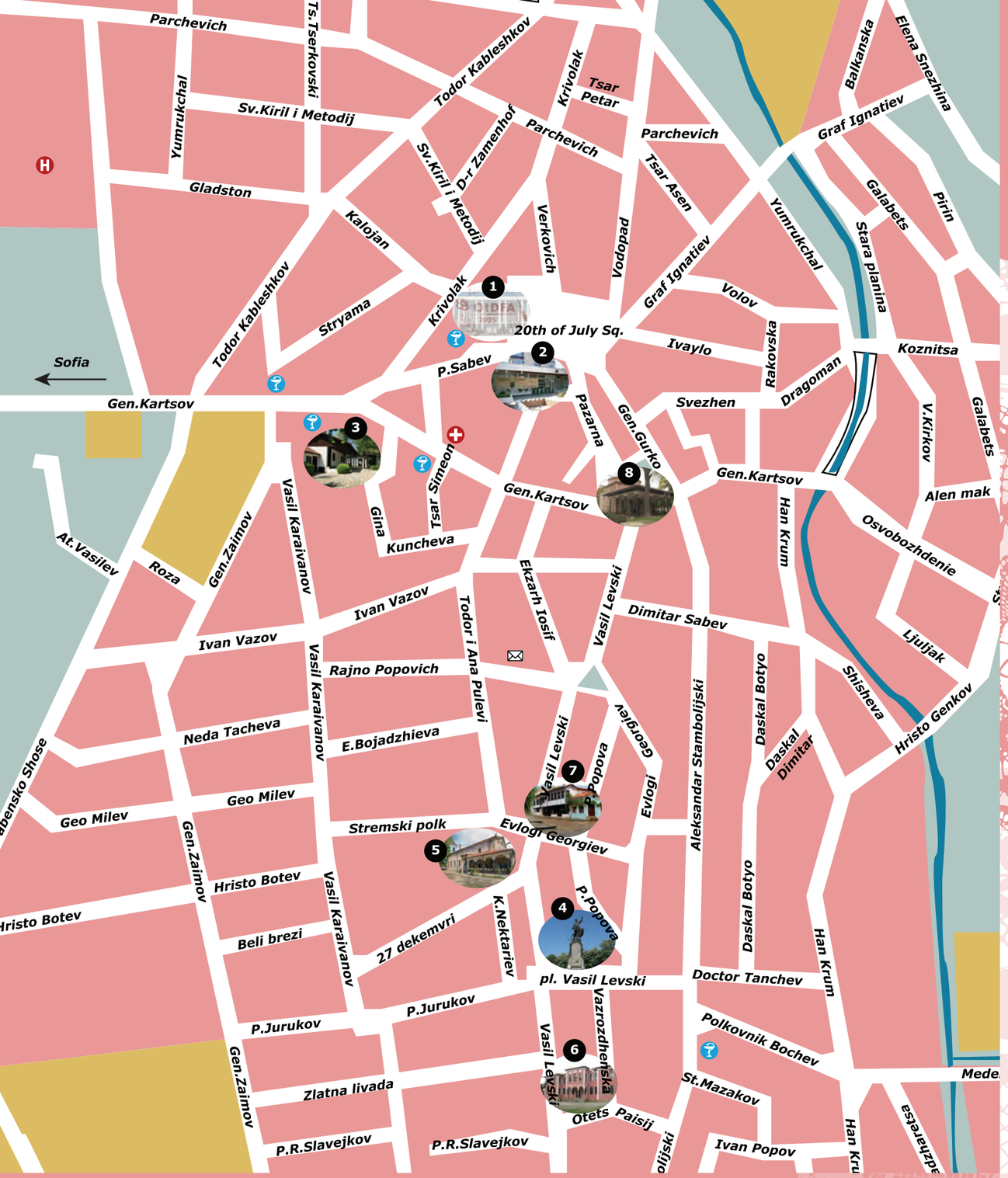
**August 17, Kalofer**

**10:00 – 18:00**
**Festival exhibitions**
**Social Enterprise Bazaar by DarPazar,** Memorial Complex "Hristo Botev"

**August 18, Kalofer**

**10:00 – 18:00**
**Festival exhibitions**

**All events of the cultural program have free entry, thanks to the financial supportof the National Fund "Culture" and the partnership of Kalofer City Hall and Cultural Center "Hristo Botev - 1869".**




## Karlovo

1. Cultural Center Karlovo
   Congress venue
2. Municipality of Karlovo
3. Vasil Levski National Museum
4. Vasil Levski Monument
5. St. Virgin Mary church
6. Karlovo History Museum
7. Buchalov han
8. Kurshum Djamia Mosque

Karlovo OIDFA 2025 Kalofer

# XXI WORLD LACE CONGRESS OIDFA 2025

under the patronage of the President's wife,
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### August 16, Karlovo

**9:00 - 10:30**
**OIDFA General Assembly -** Audience Hall, Cultural Center "Vasil Levski - 1861", Karlovo

**10:30 - 11:30**
**Opening Ceremony of the 21st OIDFA World Lace Congress**
Audience Hall, Cultural Center "Vasil Levski - 1861", Karlovo

**12:00 – 18:00**
**Congress exhibitions:**
Cultural Center "Vasil Levski – 1861"
- Exhibition of national stands - a representative exhibition of the member countries of the organization
- Exhibition of authentic folk costumes representing Bulgaria as the host country
- "Connections" - a competition exhibition of original lace creations
- Exhibitions of foreign organizations and lace schools

**12:00 – 20:00**
**Craft Bazaar -** 20th of July Square

**16:00 - 18:00**
**Lecture: Bobbin lace as art therapy for the senses with Kremena Dimitrova and Hristina Minkova (registered participants only)**
Audience Hall, Cultural Center "Vasil Levski - 1861", Karlovo

**20:00** **Folklore concert "Welcome to Bulgaria!" with the participation of the Dance Ensemble "Rose Valley", Children's Folklore Formation "Rose Valley", Quartet "Slavey" and Welcome cocktail party ( Only for registered participants and their partners.)**
Summer cinema, Cultural Center "Vasil Levski - 1861"

### August 17, Karlovo

**10:00 – 18:00**
**Congress exhibitions -** Cultural Center "Vasil Levski – 1861"
**Craft Bazaar -** 20th of July Square

**16:00 - 18:00**
**Lecture: Possibilities to combine bobbin lace with other textile techniques with Elgina Velichkova (registered participants only)**
Audience Hall, Cultural Center "Vasil Levski - 1861", Karlovo

**20:00** **OIDFA Dinner (Only for registered participants and their partners.),** Kalofer

### August 18, Karlovo

**10:00 – 17:00**
**Congress exhibitions -** Cultural Center "Vasil Levski – 1861"
**Craft Bazaar -** 20th of July Square

**17:00** **Closing ceremony of the congress -** Audience Hall, Cultural Center "Vasil Levski - 1861", Karlovo

**14:00 - 16:00**
**Lecture: Preservation of bobbin lace in Bulgaria today - the people and the places with Prof. Iva Kyurkchieva (registered participants only)**
Audience Hall, Cultural Center "Vasil Levski - 1861", Karlovo

**20:00** **Closing concert with the participation of the musical group Melomania and Welcome cocktail party ( Only for registered participants and their partners.)**
Summer cinema, Cultural Center "Vasil Levski - 1861"

**The congress exhibitions and events in the town of Karlovo, are being held thanks to the financial support of the Ministry of Culture and the partnership of the Center "Vasil Levski - 1861."**