



Embassy of the Czech Republic  
Washington, DC

## Bohemian Rhapsody

### Celebrating the Czech Year of Music

**The Embassy of the Czech Republic invites all from around the United States to submit a photograph or a video of themselves or their child(ren) celebrating Czech music!**

For example, videos could show a child or adult playing or singing their favorite classical or modern piece of Czech music. With each submission, please include the name of the Czech artist and musical piece as well as a one sentence description of why the Czech artist and musical piece inspires you or your child(ren).

The Czech Embassy will collect the videos and photographs in honor of *Bedřich Smetana*, known as the father of Czech music, and share them with the public during or leading up to its fall *Mutual Inspirations Festival 2024 - Bedřich Smetana*.

### Mutual Inspirations Festival 2024 - Bedřich Smetana

The Mutual Inspirations Festival (MIF) is an annual initiative spearheaded by the Embassy of the Czech Republic, focusing on the mutual inspirations between Czech and American cultures and featuring each year in September through November an extraordinary Czech personality who has greatly influenced and inspired others through his or her work. In its fifteenth year, the festival will highlight music and celebrate 200 years since the birth of the Czech classical composer, Bedřich Smetana. More information will be made available at [www.mutualinspirations.org](http://www.mutualinspirations.org).

### Bedřich Smetana

Bedřich Smetana (1824 –1884) was a brilliant Czech classical composer, who is honored for his development of a nationalistic musical style. He is known worldwide for his opera, *Prodaná nevěsta* (*The Bartered Bride*), and a set of symphonic poems, *Má vlast* ("*My Fatherland*"), which contains the famous composition "*Vltava*" (in English, "*The Moldau*") about the river, which runs through the Czech capital of Prague.

### The Submissions

The Embassy of the Czech Republic reserves the right to use its discretion to select, edit, and utilize any and all submitted photographs and recorded videos. The Embassy will utilize and post the best photographs and recorded videos on its website - [www.mutualinspirations.org](http://www.mutualinspirations.org) - and social media outlets, such as Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter, during or leading up to its celebration of the fall *Mutual Inspirations Festival 2024 – Bedřich Smetana*. Photo credit will be duly accredited to each photograph and/or video whenever it is posted or published.

### Contact Information

The Embassy of the Czech Republic is located at 3900 Spring of Freedom Street, NW, Washington, DC 20008, USA. Its Public Diplomacy Department may be reached via [czechembassypr@gmail.com](mailto:czechembassypr@gmail.com).



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#### SUBMISSION OF MATERIALS

- The photograph or video must be sent to the email address at [czechembassypr@gmail.com](mailto:czechembassypr@gmail.com). Deadline is no later than **April 30, 2024**. For larger files, please send via dropbox. Only one video and/or two photographs may be submitted per participant.
- Please put “Bohemian Rhapsody” in the subject line of your email. Please include your first and last name and contact information. Please include the first name only of your child(ren) and his or her age(s). Please include the name of the Czech artist and musical piece and write a one sentence description of why the artist and musical piece inspires you or your child(ren).
- Please submit digital, high resolution photos, preferably in JPG format. For smart phone photos, please submit at the highest quality possible.
- Videos must not be longer than one minute and must be recorded clearly and horizontally at the highest resolution possible for submission.

#### TERMS OF SUBMISSION

- All photographs and/or videos and other content or information submitted to the Embassy of the Czech Republic shall become the property of the Embassy of the Czech Republic, and the Embassy shall have no obligation to preserve, return, or otherwise make available any photographs and/or videos or information so submitted.
- The individual understands that because the Embassy of the Czech Republic becomes the owner of all submitted photographs and/or videos, the Embassy of the Czech Republic and its diplomats, employees, successors, and assigns may use, reproduce, edit, display, transmit, modify, publish, and otherwise make use of the submitted photographs and/or videos and descriptions in any and all print, internet, media, and media social outlets, without compensation to the individual of any kind.
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- The individual hereby agrees to hold the Embassy of the Czech Republic and its diplomats, employees, successors, and assigns harmless from and against—and hereby waive any right to pursue—any claims of any nature arising in connection with the Czech Embassy’s use of the submitted photograph(s), video(s) and description(s).