

The Premier's Office  
Self Governance Office

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## Press release

### Young artists' tribute to Greenland Self-Government

The festivities celebrating Greenland's Self-Government Day and National Day will take off in the course of week 25 in mid June with a number of cultural activities. The art project "The People's Flag" by Julie Edel Hardenberg, made with the assistance of young people attending the Piorsaavik preparatory school will be suspended from the gable of Block P in the course of the week. At the same time, together with school children, Maria Paninnguaq Kjærulf will create a large bird motif using painted stones in the Qernertunnguit neighbourhood.

On Friday 19 June a concert will be held at Katuaq with two exciting new musicians from Greenland, Nive Nielsen and Juno Berthelsen.

On Saturday 20 June at 2 pm an international handball match between Greenland and Iceland (U21) will continue the festivities celebrating Self-Governance.

A self-governing Greenland needs industry and trade development. This is why we, in cooperation with Kommuneqarfik Sermersooq, will be opening an exclusive exhibition of Greenland's trade and industry on June 20. Here 27 enterprises and artists will be demonstrating how they can contribute to industry and trade development in the future.

In the evening, the Church of Hans Egede will provide the setting for performances by two fabulous choirs. The Danish National Girl Choir and Qeqqata Erinarsogatigiivi will give their rendition of a Self-Government concert.

On 21 June it is Self-Government Day and Greenland's National Day and this will be celebrated by an official raising of the Greenland flag at the Colony Harbour. After church, the main events will take place in the Parliament building, where Her Royal Majesty Queen Margrethe II will hand over the Self-Government Act to the Speaker of the Parliament.

Later on in the day the official international guests have been invited on a tour of Pinngortitaleriffik and Ilimmarfik. The press will have the opportunity to meet the international guests here.

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An almost 5m high sculpture, Inussuk, by one of our expressive young artists, Niels Motzfeldt, will be unveiled at the end of Kuussuaq in Nuuk. The sculpture has been decorated with stones found on the beaches in the Nuuk area and stones from other parts of Greenland. Inussuk is to become a memorial for the inauguration of Self-Government.

The gala dinner for the inauguration of Self-Government will be held at Katuaq, and Greenlandic specialties will be served. There will be a concert with several Greenlandic artists including the opera singers Ida Heinrich, Josef Lund Josefsen and the young singer-songwriter Nive Nielsen.

At the same time there will be a free rock concert in Inussivik with Liima Inui.

The programme is attached.

The steering group in charge of the events of the Self Governance Day includes representatives from:

The Premiers Office, the Department of Foreign Affairs, the Department of Culture, Education, Research and Ecclesiastical Affairs (KIIIN), the High Commissioner of Greenland, Kommuneqarfik Sermersooq, KANUKOKA, Katuaq- Cultural Centre of Greenland, and the Greenland Tourism and Business Council.

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