



REYKJAVÍK ARTS FESTIVAL 2011 OPENS WITH A BLAST

The opening week of the Reykjavík Arts Festival was filled with awe, excitement and standing ovations. In downtown Reykjavík, thousands watched *The Birth of Venus* by Spanish group La Fura dels Baus with the participation of more than seventy brave artists, who danced in the sky high above the ground. In Harpa, Iceland's new concert hall, no one was untouched by the opera concert performed by the great German tenor Jonas Kaufmann and the Iceland Symphony Orchestra. The past week's program also included opening of visual art exhibitions, premieres of new dance and theatre pieces and of course, one volcanic eruption. The eruption has now stopped and luckily has had a minimal effect on the Festival's programme.



[Check out this five star review in The Telegraph on the opening weekend](#)

Don't miss the forthcoming ten days of the Reykjavík Arts Festival 2011, filled with more exciting events of all shapes and sizes.



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