Dear Servas Friends,

For the next meeting we will use the time machine and we’ll take in a medieval fortress in Romania in Rasnov!

Râșnov Citadel (Romanian: Cetatea Râșnov, German: Rosenauer Burg) is a historic monument and landmark in Romania. It is situated in Râşnov, Brașov County, in the immediate vicinity of Brașov.

The citadel was built as part of a defence system for the Transylvanian villages exposed to outside invasions. A decisive aspect for building the citadel on the actual location was the route of the invading armies which were coming from the Bran pass and were passing through Râșnov, on their way to Burzenland. The only chance of survival for the inhabitants of the area, including Cristian and Ghimbav, was the refuge inside the citadel. Compelled to stay there for decades, the people of Râșnov and the nearby villages turned the fortification into a dwelling.

The medieval citadel of today is considered to be built between 1211 and 1225, during the rule of Teutonic Knights in Burzenland, although there is no evidence in this respect.

Rules for participants: Every participant needs to come with a “piece” of his country history (costumes, habits, food, traditions, crafts) for sharing with the others. We have 14 medieval tents available inside the fortress and 15 double rooms in the pensions around.
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Each participant is expected to send in within the set deadline (30th April 2016):

- The subject/theme /period chosen for his/her country presentation.
- The logistics: (projector, firewood, or any other materials needed that they cannot bring from their country)
- The number of people involved in the presentation (children/adults)
- Whether the presentations can be made to a wider audience, or just for the SERVAS members attending.
- Lodging requirements (tent or pension)
- Food restrictions

Dear Servas Youth!

More exciting challenges are waiting for you there! The Romanian team has designed different workshops: clay modelling, egg painting, weaving, traditional cooking, natural healing, traditional dances, games for children. The new Servas members in the Rasnov area are waiting to take you on beautiful bike trails, mountain hikes, and have prepared a visit to the oldest caban in the area - Malaiesti.

- An opportunity to explore a magnificent mountain area with wild, untouched nature and breathtaking landscapes.

- We also have some optional activities with an additional price. Small trip to Bran Castle, Zarnesti Bear Sanctuary where you can “adopt” a bear, Brasov City Tour.

- For participant interest in longer stays in the area we can help with camping places or other rooms after the event.

- And last, but not least, an excuse to meet, talk and exchange experiences, views and ideas about SERVAS and about different life styles and how we changed, or not, during history.
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So, what do you think?

If you have already started to look for flight or train tickets here are more details:

• **Where?** Rasnov city, in the heart of Transylvania, 160 km from Bucharest, 15 km from Brasov and 9 km from Dracula’s Bran Castle.

**Meeting place? Rasnov Fortress**

**Directions:** From your country fly to Bucharest International Airport “Henry Coanda”, take the special bus for Gara de Nord Rail Station. From here pick up the train to Brasov and from Brasov we will pick you up.

https://www.google.com/maps/place/45°35'26.0"N+25°28'07.5"E/@45.590555,25.468723,14z/data=!4m2!3m1!1s0x0:0x0?hl=ro

• **When?** From 20th July till 25th July

• **Accommodation?** Double rooms outside the fortress in pensions from Rasnov area or inside the fortress in tents.

• **Registration fee:** 180 Euros (tents) and 230 Euros (pension double rooms) 3 meals included. For children under 6 year old the fee is 60 euros.
Decided to come?

Fill in the registration form attached to this document and send it to us!

Need more information? Just write to us at servasromania@gmail.com or romania@servas.org

See you in Romania!