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Dear friends of Hotel Gracanica,

As we had to find out the hard way, it is risky to send newsletters to recipients who didn't explicitly subscribe to them. Some must have reported them as spam, and as a consequence, important emails we sent to business partners were blocked by a spam filter, not delivered and we had a hard time reestablishing communication. We will therefore **clean up our mailing list and only keep the e-mail addresses of those who now reply with "subscribe"**. So if you would like to continue to receive our periodical newsletters, please do so!

When planning the hotel, we overestimated the demand for studios with kitchenettes. We have now therefore changed one of our studios, nr. 4, into a **family room**, with one double and two single beds. The price for four people is $120 \in$ per night incl. breakfast, and we give 10 % discount for stays of three or more nights. Bookable through our website: <u>https://www.hotelgracanica.com/contact-reservations/</u>.

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The **Jimmy Mustafa Band** will be on **tour in Germany** from 7 to 24 June (so you won't hear them at our Sunday brunch during that period), with concerts in:

- Hannover on June 8th and 9th
- Münster on June 11th
- Ober-Ramstadt on June 15th
- Darmstadt on June 21st
- Mainz on June 22nd and 23rd

There will also be street concerts in Köln, Düsseldorf, Frankfurt and Wiesbaden. More info on: <u>https://jimmymustafabandontour.wordpress.com/</u>.



The band also started to record a **new album**, to be ready in time for the tour, with eleven new songs. For the album cover, Bajram Mehmeti (<u>https://bajramandfarijamehmeti.jimdo.com/</u>) did this painting of the band:



From left to right: Avni Mustafa, Driton Berisha, Jimmy Mustafa, Ersad Bunjaku, Hasib Karaçi

And because all of this costs quite a lot of money, there is a **crowdfunding** for that purpose: <u>https://www.startnext.com/jimmy-mustafa-band-in-germany</u>. We hope that you can contribute!

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Pristina will host the **Manifesta** Biennale in 2022, as the first city in the Balkans! But already now, there are many cultural events worth visiting Kosovo for, s. <u>https://www.hotelgracanica.com/things-to-do/festivals-events/</u>!

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Since April 1st, we have a **French intern** at the hotel, **Nina**, who will stay with us until the end of August. And she has a blog about her experiences (in French): <u>https://ninalobjois.wixsite.com/gjungellks</u>.

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Thanks to one of our guests, Thomas Matta, we now have **aerial photos of the hotel**. You can find them all on our <u>Facebook page</u>, on <u>Instagram</u> or in the photo gallery on our website: <u>https://www.hotelgracanica.com/photo-gallery/</u> (scroll down).



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Prishtina city-tour with Ilir Hasanaj (auch auf Schweizerdeutsch/Deutsch)

Let a local show you the "other" Prishtina and discover life away from the usual sights. Ilir Hasanaj is a city guide, filmmaker (Me dasht', me dasht', me dasht') and cultural activist (Kino Armata, Termokiss).

After a tour with him you will understand why he fell in love with the hidden magic of the city. A personalized, informative and entertaining tour to the most exciting places of the city in German or English.

Our guests about the tour: "His enthusiasm (...) was contagious and also enthused us."

Prishtina City-Tour half day: 50 Euro Prishtina City-Tour whole day: 100 Euro

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If you would like to get more often updates on what is going on at the hotel, follow us on Facebook!

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Best regards,

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