



**4th THERE IS ART IN BULDANINTERNATIONAL
WOMEN ARTISTS FESTIVAL
9-11 OCTOBER 2026**

Dear Art Lovers,

We are pleased to invite you to the 4th There's Art in Buldan – International Women Artists Festival, which will take place on October 9–11, 2026, in Buldan, the historic weaving town of Denizli, Türkiye.

Nestled near the ancient city of Tripolis, Buldan is renowned for its centuries-old weaving tradition, world-famous Buldan fabrics, delicious Buldan simit, ecological agricultural products, authentic mansions from the Ottoman period, and natural beauties.

Through this traditional festival, women artists and women agricultural producers will come together to celebrate creativity, strengthen women's solidarity, and contribute to the cultural and tourism development of Buldan by showcasing their artworks and local products. The festival is organized by the Denizli Soroptimist Club, in cooperation with the Karşıyaka Soroptimist Club, with the valuable support of the Buldan District Governorship, Buldan Municipality, and many local institutions, organizations, and sponsors from Buldan and Denizli.

Throughout the festival, visitors will enjoy:

- Inspiring art exhibitions
- Interactive art workshops
- Talks on ecological agriculture and sustainable living
- Music concerts and live performances
- Creative activities/workshops for children

Which will take place in the unique historical and natural atmosphere of Buldan.

We believe that art has the power to heal, inspire, and unite people. We warmly invite you to join us in celebrating creativity, friendship, and women's empowerment.

As we say in the local Denizli dialect:

"Buyrun gelin gari!"

"Come on over!"

Let's be together to collect unforgettable memories...

With our warmest regards, .

President of the Denizli
Soroptimist Club

MELTEM BALABAN

President of the Karşıyaka
Soroptimist Club

JÜLİDE TUTAN

President of the Soroptimist Federation
of Türkiye

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Festival Program

October 9, 2026 Friday	14:30 --- Opening Ceremony, marching band procession with traditional Buldan textile clothing (square in front of the Arasta) 15:30 Music recital/dance performance 16:00 Opening of the exhibition of works by participating artists (BELKÜM) 16:30 Trip to Tripolis and short musical presentation 19:00 Return to Buldan 19:30 Dinner with local food (BELKÜM) 20:30 Talk/event in the park (night walk possible)
October 10, 2026 Saturday	08:00-11:00 Nature walk by the lake in Süleymanlı Plateau, yoga activity and breakfast with local flavors (registration required) 11:30 Olive oil tasting workshop and talk, Prof. Dr. Rennan TUNALIOĞLU (Buldan Cultural Center) 12:30 Eco-Friendly Agriculture Talk Speaker: Mine Pakkaner, M.Sc. Agricultural Engineer 14:00 Architectural tour of Buldan's historical mansions and streets 15:00 Workshop with our guest artists (workshops to be announced later) (registration required) 15:00 Children's workshop (registration required) (OUR GUESTS CAN BUY FOOD AND DRINKS FROM THE STANDS SELLING LOCAL PRODUCTS THROUGHOUT THE DAY.) 17:00/18:00 Taste of Local Flavors (registration required, for 18+ ages) 19:00 Festival Gala/ Dinner for the 41st anniversary of the founding of Denizli Soroptimist Club (Kestane Deresi Restaurant - registration required)
October 11, 2026 Sunday	09:00 Breakfast (BELKÜM) 10:30 Aromatherapy and Scent Workshop (registration required) 10:30 Workshop(s) with our guest artist(s) 13:00 Lunch 13:30 Music performance with local artists

Important Information

--The transportation of our participating artists from Denizli to Buldan, all travels, accommodation and meal expenses will be covered by our festival committee. Apart from the special materials related to the artists' performances, all materials to be used in the festival will be provided by the festival committee in a planned manner. Artists will be able to conduct their workshops in old mansions reserved for them. --Our festival is organized only with the participation of Soroptimist Artists. --We will also experience a cultural exchange with our artists with small surprise gift presentations in memory of our festival...

--Registration is required in advance for all workshops in our festival.

--Live demonstrations of local handloom weaving will be presented in the festival area. [As special guests, a master of terracotta and mother-of-pearl inlay, who is the only living example of its kind in the world, a glassblower who added visual beauty to Denizli with his glass rooster, and an iron sculpture master will be present at our festival.]



Pamukkale-Hierapolis



Laodikeia



Tripolis



Süleymanlı Yaylası

For detailed information about the festival programme and participation requirements, please visit our Instagram accounts. Instagram: @soroptimistdenizli , @soroptimistkarsiyaka , @soroptimistturkiye
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