



NATALIKA is a Czech group presenting world music. Their songs are not bounded by any musical stereotype and are not intended to strictly follow the original presentations of the mainly folk songs from Central European and Mediterranean regions that the group performs. At the same time, both the leader – Natalie Velsmidova and the other musicians cannot hide their roots and the ambience they come from. The result is a very un-orthodox sound and expressions that are amplified by highly advanced musical skills, dynamism and the passion of Natalie and each one of the musicians, mixing together folk music, ethnic songs of the European Gypsies, swing etc.



The group was founded in 1998 around the charismatic Natalia and without any delay established its place among the most applauded participants of the folk- and etno-music festivals in the region (1999 - winner of the highly prestigious festival PORTA).



They have three outstanding CDs: “To my nations... “ that is a multicultural project, “Nobody is allowed to walk over my surface,” concentrated on gypsy music and “Desire is gripping my soul,” which explores the music from the Balkans.

Members of the group :

Natalia Velsmidova - vocal, violoncello, percussions

Tomas Janik - vocal, mandoline

Jan Polyak - vocal, acoustic guitar

Jaroslav Panus - vocal, contrabass

... and mostly somebody else....

