



*New Year
Tsar's Ball*

in the Catherine Palace



*The Catherine Palace in
Tsarskoye Selo is one
of the masterpieces of world
architecture of the 18th century.
There, in the former residence
of Russian emperors, the guests
can sense an inexpressible
ambience of balls and receptions
of the past years.*

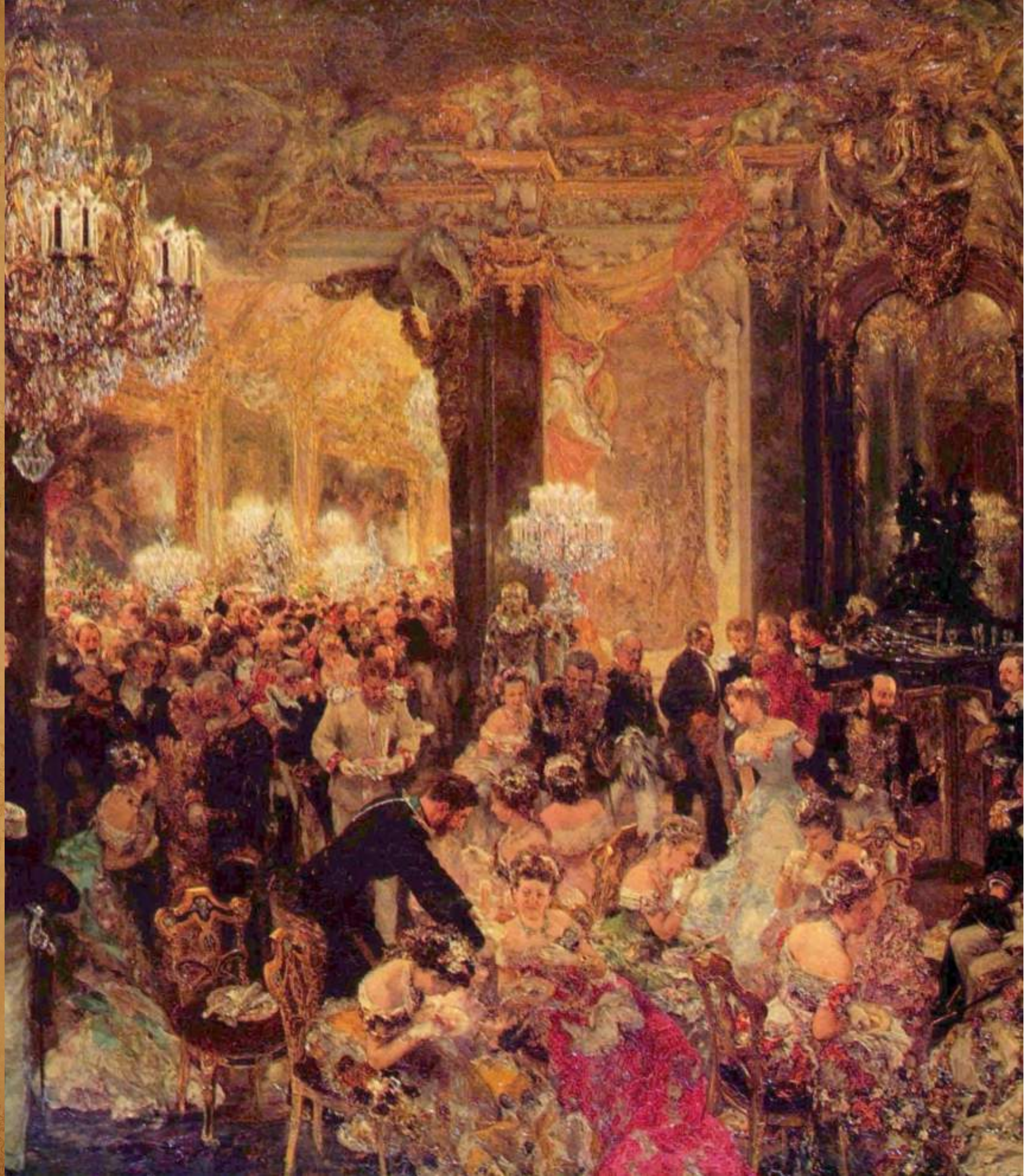




'The first time when I saw Grand Catherine Palace in all the splendor of the ball was in 1863. They were dancing in the grand room, and the dinner was served in the passage gallery for countless number of guests.

Gilded wooden columns were beaming entwined with garlands in style of the past century. No one had dreamt of electric lighting then, and numerous candles were glowing, as it used to be in the time of Catherine. It was a wonderful and unforgettable spectacle...'

Memories of Count Sergei
Sheremetev





Within 200 years the imperial court developed a beautiful ball ceremonial which, unfortunately, was forgotten after the Revolution.

Nowadays the age-old tradition has been returned. Every New Year Eve since 1995 the Catherine Palace becomes the venue for one of the most impressive winter events in St. Petersburg, Tsar's Ball.







Comfortable limousines and motor coaches replaced gilded carriages, but hussars with torches and a military brass band greet elegantly dressed up guests like in old times.

Military orchestra plays the triumphant welcome music. Majestic palace shimmers in different colors illuminating the mystery of the festive New Year night.





*The guests promenade
in the palace, admiring
the splendor of its chambers
including the legendary
Amber Room.*





*Behind the doors of the Great Hall
in front of the guests
a beautiful fairytale scene appears.*





*Opera singers open the ball,
proposing the first toast.*

*Prima donnas and soloists
of the city's ballet troupes and opera
houses accompanied by symphonic
orchestra delight the guests with
masterpieces of world opera
and ballet classics.*









*The gourmet New Year's dinner
menu consists of the course
after course of enticing dishes
prepared by high-level chefs.*



Menu Sample

Foie Gras with Fig Chutney and Raspberry Sauce



*Beluga Caviar Served with Warm Blinis,
Eggs, Onion and Smetana Sour Cream On Ice*



*Monkfish with Mashed Celeriac
and Parsley with Lobster Sauce*



Cointreau and Orange Granite



*Veal Fillet with Porto Sauce
served with White Mushrooms
and Carrot Dauphinois*



*Fromage Blanc Ice Cream with the Raspberries
in Chocolate Sphere Served with Hot Chocolate*



*Coffee and Tea served with an Assortment
of "Petit Fours"*



*Champagne Moët & Chandon
Petit chablis aoc. Le Serein France
Chateau Pey la Tour France
Vodka Tsar's Gold*







*Chiming clocks herald
the beginning of the New Year.*

*Beautiful Strauss waltzes and cheerful
Russian folk music follow each other
joining the night celebration.*









*Exquisite luxury of the palace,
sweet jazz rhythms, happy dance
of the guests make a single whole –
the genuine spirit of celebration.*





*The connection of times
is preserved in this mysterious
world of mirrors, candles,
flowers and fireworks.*

*New Year Tsar's Ball
in Tsar's Palace
is simply unforgettable.*



Please welcome to the ball!



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