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CHURCH WHERE ST. ALEXANDER NEVSKY BAPTIZED COULD BE NAMED UNESCO HERITAGE SITE



The church where many Pereslavl princes, including the great St. Alexander Nevsky, were baptized could soon be included in the list of UNESCO World Heritage Sites.

Holy Transfiguration Cathedral in the Pereslavl Kremlin, as well as the Rostov Kremlin Ensemble were included in the preliminary UNESCO Heritage list, Yaroslavl Province Governor Dmitry Mironov announced this week, reports the Pereslavl Diocese.

“The inclusion of these sites in the UNESCO World Heritage List would increase the tourist and investment attractiveness of the region. Such recognition is a great honor,” Mironov said.

Holy Transfiguration Cathedral in the Pereslavl Kremlin was founded by Yuri

Dolgoruky in 1152. It is the only one of the first five white-stone churches in northeastern Rus' to have survived to our day in an almost completely preserved state. Pereslavl princes were baptized there, and in the 13th-14th centuries, it was the tomb of the Pereslavl appanage princes.

In May, an event was held dedicated to the cultural-monastic landscape of Vânători-Neamț and the proposal to include its Romanian Orthodox monasteries in the UNESCO World Heritage List.

In 2019, 10 churches of the Pskov school of architecture in Russia were added to the UNESCO World Heritage List and Byzantine chant was added to UNESCO's List of the Intangible Cultural Heritage of Humanity.

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