## Jelgava History and Art Museum of Gedert Elias

The museum building, known by its historical name Academia Petrina, was built in 1775 on the initiative of the last duke of Courland and Zemgale- Peter Biron. The first University in Latvia was located here earlier. The author of the renovation project is an architect Severin Jensen.

The Museum display tells about important historical events of Jelgava and its region from ancient times to the present day. The main value of the Museum is the art collection of the famous Latvian painting old master Gedert Elias (1887-1975). The Museum territory was improved by restoring circular entrance ramp. The museum offers exhibitions, educational programs and tours for different age groups.

