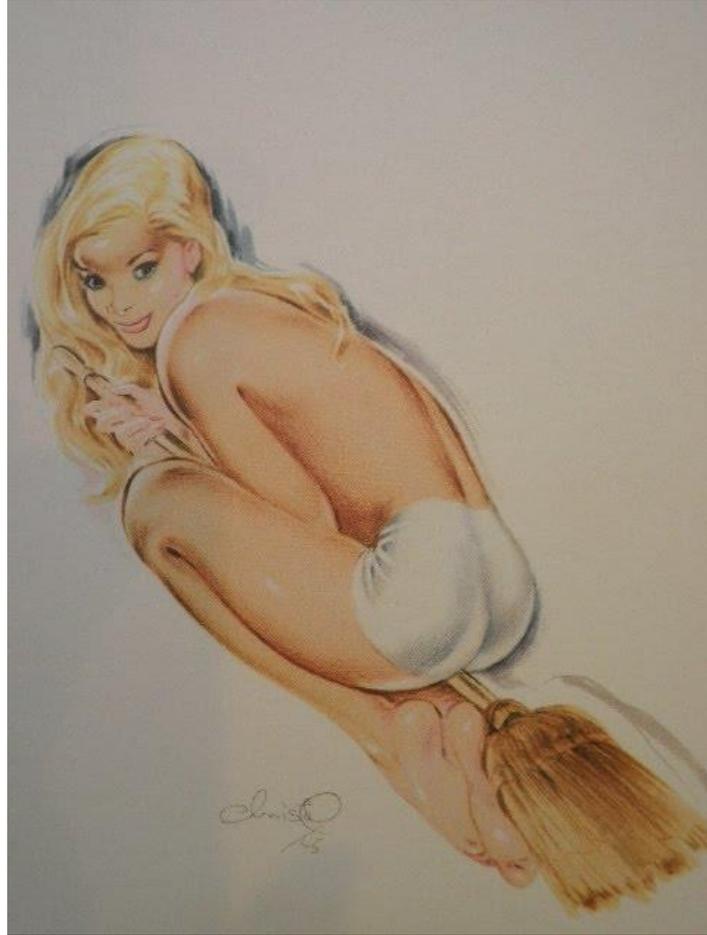


St. John's Eve - Skt. Hans aften



(Famous Danish drawing of a witch by/Christel)

The evening of June 23, St. John's Eve, is the eve of celebration before the Feast Day of St John the Baptist.

The Gospel of Luke (Luke 1:36, 56–57) states that John was born about six months before Jesus, therefore the feast of John the Baptist was fixed on June 21~24, six months before Christmas.

This feast day is one of the very few saints' days to mark the supposed anniversary of the birth, rather than the death, of the saint commemorated.



St John's Eve
(or Oiche Fheile Eoin – in Danish: Skt. Hans aften)
is celebrated in many parts of Northern Europe with the
lighting of bonfires burning the witches (Church court
judgment).

Kindly regards
[Bjarne & Maribel Fahnøe](#)
(Celebrating of St. John's Eve on the beach in Denmark)

Look also the Danish pages:

<https://www.kristeligt-dagblad.dk/rejser/her-sender-vi-heksene-hen>

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