Celebrate Creativity

Jun 26- Jul 02, Amsterdam
SHORT DESCRIPTION OF THE PROGRAM

The program of Celebrate Creativity focuses on creativity and meeting. The first days are dedicated to get to know each other, to learn about the Nieuw West neighborhood of Amsterdam, to rehearse and to work on the program of the rest of the week. The second half of the week you will give workshops to local youth and give performances on several squares in Amsterdam (if the weather allows it). Saturday the 2nd of July we will organize a big street parade. All participants of the youth exchange will join this parade, that ends at a festival. During this festival we created moments that the different groups can present themselves (in performances of 10 - 15 min).

The last day there is time to evaluate, to relax and to make fun with each other before saying goodbye.

A rough draft of the program is attached!

AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

Empowering young people in inter-cultural communication.

Encouraging and enabling young people to use non-formally acquired narrative techniques and methods to solve conflicts based on cultural differences between individuals and groups, at home as well as conflicts in their wider consciousness.

To create space to meet and celebrate cultural and religious diversity.

To encourage and to inspire young people to take initiative and to become active citizens in their local areas.

To develop the organizational skills of the participants

PARTICIPANTS

Participants of the youth exchange should be youth/ youth workers who want to share their creativity with others and especially with children.

The age of the participants in the project will be between 18 and 30 years old, with the focus on 18 - 25 years old. When selecting participants the partners will take in consideration gender balance, inclusion of participants with fewer opportunities. Each partner will be required to try and balance out the team that will be sent to reach possible 50/50 gender balance.
The program ensures to create mixed-gender, mixed-country teams for work, which would contribute to balancing out all the activities. Various methods will be used to divide participants into working groups and ensure gender-balance throughout the program.

We will need the following information about each participant:

- Full Name
  – Gender
- Birth date / Age
- Passport Number or ID number with issue and expiration date
- Phone number and e-mail
- Special Needs (Allergy, Food restriction, Health restrictions)

Please find the participant form attached with the letter.

DEADLINE: All partners have to give information about their participants and the flight details before 15th of May 2017!

**INTERCULTURAL EVENING**

The purpose of the intercultural evening is to let the other participants get to know your country and culture. You can do that by sharing information, food, funny things from you country. We are quite a few countries that will be represented during the youth exchange. Thus, we expect creativity in your approach to the Intercultural Evening.

**TRAVEL AND REIMBURSEMENT**

We have a budget for travel costs. We will take care of all flight, train or bus tickets. We need to take in account that we can pay the tickets until a certain maximum. See the schedule below. We will do our best to stay in this budget but be aware that probably we will book just hand luggage. If you want to bring more we might charge you.

We will try to find to book your inbound tickets on the 25th of June and outbound tickets on the 3rd of July.

We will book the tickets after the approval from your side.
VENUE AND ACCOMODATION

The exchange will take place in Amsterdam, The Netherlands from Monday June 26 till Sunday July 2. This is excluding the traveling days.

We already arranged a hostel in Amsterdam. The groups will be hosted in the Duchess Hostel in Bos en Lommer (for the people that know Amsterdam) (http://www.dutchieshostel.com/) and The Train lodge (http://trainlodge.com) in Westpoort.

During the day we will mainly work at the Talentenhuis in Osdorp (http://www.talentenhuisnieuwwest.nl/)

Almost all of you will fly to Schiphol International Airport and from there you will have to take a train to Amsterdam Sloterdijk. Each group will be instructed separately in the best way to reach the hostel by e-mail after confirming the arrival time. All the groups will be picked up by the organizers at the train/bus station in Amsterdam or maybe even at the airport.

CONTACT DETAILS

For more information or questions you can contact us

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