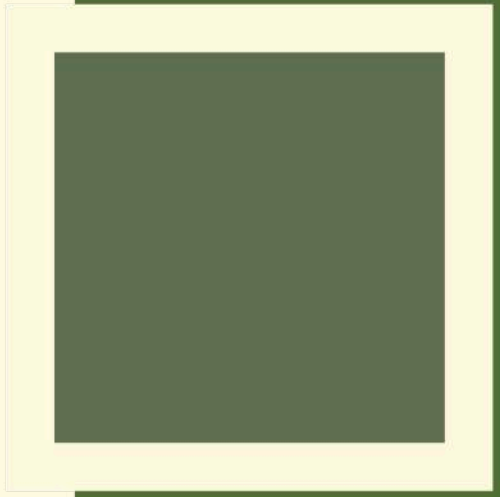
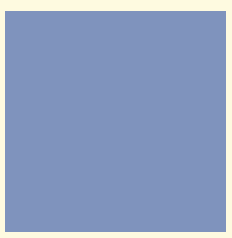
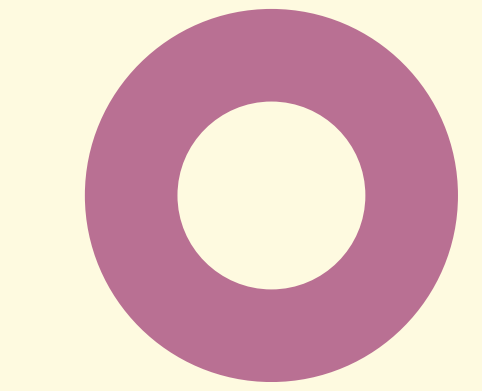
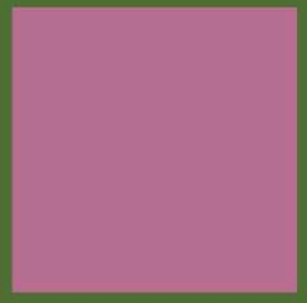




Erasmus +
Youth Exchange

13.05.2026-18.05.2026
"GREEN PRACTICES: NATURE IN
ALTERNATIVE PHOTOGRAPHIC
PROCESSES"



WHAT WE DO?

Our participants are young people aged 15-18 who would like to establish international contacts and practice their English. We have extensive experience in implementing international Erasmus+ and European Solidarity Corps projects. We have been accredited under the Erasmus + Vocational Education and Training and Youth program since 2022.



We are a facility where young people with fewer opportunities (social, economic, educational difficulties) acquire professional qualifications, e.g. as a chef, confectioner, blacksmith, hairdresser, baker, mechanic. Young people from other cities have the opportunity to stay in a boarding school.



The project will be implemented in the beautiful location of a 700-year-old castle (Olesnica Castle) in a charming city. We have hotel facilities and places for training workshops.



INTRODUCTION

We invite schools, associations, and foundations to join an international youth exchange taking place from 13 to 18 May in the historic Oleśnica Castle — a unique 700-year-old setting that creates an inspiring environment for learning and creativity. The project combines photography and ecology, offering young people aged 15–19 the opportunity to explore nature through alternative photographic techniques such as cyanotype and camera obscura. Through hands-on workshops, participants will develop artistic skills while deepening their understanding of biodiversity and environmental responsibility. The program also includes culinary and gardening workshops, as well as a kayaking trip, creating a rich, engaging, and memorable international experience. This exchange promotes creativity, intercultural dialogue, and ecological awareness, empowering young people to become more conscious and active members of society.



WHAT'S IN STORE FOR YOU?



PHOTOGRAPHY & ECOLOGY WORKSHOPS

THE CORE OF THE PROJECT IS BASED ON "GREEN PRACTICES: NATURE IN ALTERNATIVE PHOTOGRAPHIC PROCESSES".

- LEARN THE HISTORICAL PHOTOGRAPHIC TECHNIQUE OF CYANOTYPE, CREATING BOTANICAL PRINTS USING PLANTS AND NATURAL LIGHT
- BUILD AND USE A CAMERA OBSCURA, UNDERSTANDING THE FUNDAMENTALS OF PHOTOGRAPHY AND OPTICS
- EXPLORE COMPOSITION, VISUAL STORYTELLING, AND CREATIVE EXPRESSION
- WORK WITH NATURAL MATERIALS, DEVELOPING SENSITIVITY TO BIODIVERSITY AND ECOLOGICAL BALANCE
- TAKE PART IN OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES SUCH AS BOTANICAL WALKS, COLLECTING PLANT MATERIALS RESPONSIBLY
- PREPARE AND PRESENT THEIR OWN FINAL PHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBITION

CULINARY WORKSHOPS

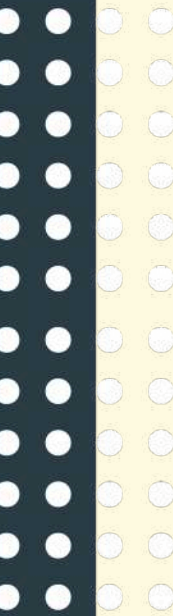
- LEARN BASIC COOKING SKILLS
- EXPLORE SUSTAINABLE AND HEALTHY FOOD PRACTICES
- WORK IN TEAMS TO PREPARE MEALS, STRENGTHENING COOPERATION AND RESPONSIBILITY

GARDENING WORKSHOPS

- GAIN PRACTICAL KNOWLEDGE ABOUT PLANTS, SOIL, AND CULTIVATION
- UNDERSTAND THE IMPORTANCE OF SUSTAINABLE GARDENING AND LOCAL ECOSYSTEMS
- DEVELOP A DEEPER CONNECTION WITH NATURE THROUGH HANDS-ON ACTIVITIES

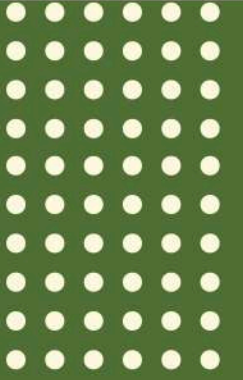
OUTDOOR ACTIVITY – KAYAKING

- TAKE PART IN A KAYAKING TRIP, PROMOTING PHYSICAL ACTIVITY AND TEAMWORK
- BUILD CONFIDENCE, RESILIENCE, AND GROUP COOPERATION
- EXPERIENCE NATURE FROM A DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVE





some of our METHODS



workshops

- group workshops will be led by subject experts whom we will invite to participate in the project



discussion/conservation

- the discussion will be a space for everyone to express their own theories, opinions and share their impressions



group work

- working in a group will allow us to get to know each other better, integrate and share knowledge and skills



WHY SHOULD YOU JOIN?

Taking part in this international exchange is more than just a trip – it is a meaningful learning experience that combines creativity, personal growth, and intercultural connection.

- Unique learning environment
- Experience workshops and activities in the extraordinary setting of the 700-year-old Oleśnica Castle, where history meets creativity.
- Innovative combination of art and ecology
- Explore photography through hands-on techniques while developing a deeper understanding of nature, biodiversity, and environmental responsibility.
- Practical skills for life
- Gain experience in photography, cooking, gardening, and teamwork – skills that go beyond the classroom.
- International experience
- Meet young people from different countries, exchange cultures, and build lasting friendships.
- Personal development
 - Strengthen creativity, confidence, independence, and communication skills in a supportive environment.
- Active and engaging program
- Enjoy a dynamic mix of workshops, outdoor activities like kayaking, and collaborative projects.
- Be part of something meaningful
- Contribute to a project that promotes sustainability, creativity, and social inclusion.

VENUE- HOW TO GET THERE?

Project location: Prince's Castle in Oleśnica, 100 meters from the bus stop, 2 km from the railway station, 30 km from the airport. Very good access to Wrocław. Oleśnica – a charming city with beautiful monuments and green surroundings, 30 km from Wrocław – one of the largest cities in Poland –

We suggest arriving by plane to Wrocław or flixbus to Wrocław. We offer transport to Oleśnica from Wrocław (Breslau) and for the return journey for free!



THE MOST IMPORTANT INFORMATION

The project is already approved! We have already signed an agreement with Erasmus+ as part of accreditation.

Participation in the project is free

REIMBURSEMENT OF TRAVEL COSTS

Between 500 and 1,999 km:

417 EUR per participant (Green travel using environmentally friendly means of transport)

309 EUR per participant

Between 2,000 and 2,999 km:

535 EUR per participant (Green travel using environmentally friendly means of transport)

395 EUR per participant

Project date 13/05/2026-18/05/2026 (6 days of activities) + 2 days of travel

We also provide food and accommodation the day before and after the activities
(when you are waiting for your trip)

4 countries : 7 participants from each country + leader = 8 participants

Contact Us!



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