

 Les Villages
des Jeunes

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ERASMUS+ YOUTH EXCHANGE

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GENERAL INFORMATIONS

Period: from August 13th until the 27th, 2026

Participants age: 15 - 17 y.o.

Address: Vaunières, 05140 Saint-Julien-en-Beauchêne, FR

Travel costs covered by E+ distance calculator reimbursed after the mobility

Board and lodging on site; daily tasks such as cooking and cleaning are shared by all participants, supported by facilitators and group leaders.

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PROJECT

During this youth exchange, the participants will work on the **renovation of the site buildings, as well as preparing an association festival and meals, and organizing and setting up collective life.**

Mornings, Monday to Friday, will be devoted to manual work, in particular in the preservation of the south and north-facing façade of the Hôtellerie, an ancient building in the hamlet of Vaunières. This stone façade was covered with a layer of insulation and a very damaged finish. The work will involve protecting the existing masonry by applying various types of render (bonding render, base coat and a finishing coat). A local expert will guide the team's members through the various phases of the work.

In the afternoons, different activities will be proposed to discover the surrounding area -the mountains and the valley- as well as organizing and setting up the local festival, the *Melting Potes*, and workshops to reflect on active citizenship and sustainable development.

Each day, two members of the group will take it in turns to prepare the team's meals; the menu will be defined in advance as part of activities that will make you the direct actors in living together.

DAILY LIFE

For the duration of the exchange, **the group will live autonomously.** The daily tasks (meals, cleaning, etc) are shared by all the volunteers. A calendar for the tasks related to daily life, shared space management, and activities will be defined collectively at the beginning of the stay. The Youth Exchange will be **led by facilitators**, the venue staff, and with the help of the group leaders.



VENUE

Vaunières is a welcoming mountain location, situated at an altitude of 1,170 metres. This former hamlet, built over the centuries, has now been refurbished and repurposed for various activities. Participants in the youth exchange will be accommodated at the **campsite in individual tents** provided by us, along with sleeping mats. The activity room, kitchen, dry toilets and showers will be at your disposal. The facilities are shared with the community involved in the association's project.

All year long, *Les Villages des Jeunes* organizes **social inclusion** and **non-formal education projects** for local people and youngsters arriving from all over the globe.

Let's meet on Thursday, August 13th, 2026, at **Lus-la-Croix-Haute or Vaynes Dévoluy train station**, between 4 and 6 pm. The departure can be done in the morning of the last day, on Thursday, the 27th of August, at 10 am.



PARTICIPANTS

This project is open to **young people aged 15 to 17**, without any specific prerequisites in terms of skills or experience. What we are looking for above all is motivation: the willingness to live in a multicultural collective, to adapt to a very rural environment far from the usual city attractions, and to engage actively in daily community life.

Participants should be ready to contribute to both the practical tasks (manual work, cooking, cleaning, collective organization) and the creative activities of the exchange.

The main working language of the exchange will be **English**. However, a spirit of patience, openness, and mutual support is more important than fluency, as we encourage participants to help one another in learning and communicating.





TRAVEL

Participants will arrive on **Thursday 13 August 2026** at **Lus La Croix Haute train station** (the nearest station to Vaunières) or Veynes-Dévoluy train station. Departure will be on **Thursday 27th August 2026**, from **Lus La Croix Haute train station** starting at 10:00 (or Veynes-Dévoluy train station). Vaunières is located in the Hautes-Alpes, 25 km from Veynes. The hosting team will organise the last part of the journey (pick-up from the station).

Veynes-Dévoluy train station is directly linked to Marseille, Valence and Grenoble → check out timetables and book tickets [here](#)

Airports with the best train connections: Marseille, Lyon Saint-Exupéry, Paris. Travel costs will be reimbursed according to Erasmus+ rules for youth exchanges, based on distance bands.

Travel budget :

from 100 to 500km / 285€* / 211€

from 500 to 2000km / 417€* / 309€

from 1000 to 3000km / 535€* / 395€

*green travel (no flying) >>> [more info](#)

ABOUT US

The association **Les Villages des Jeunes** is based in the heart of the French Alps. Since 1964, it has worked in the field of non-formal education and interculturality. The association Les Villages des Jeunes is based in the heart of the French Alps. Since 1964, it has been working in the fields of non-formal education and intercultural exchange. Les Villages des Jeunes offers welcoming spaces for young people, families, groups, artists and tourists... where people of all ages, backgrounds and social origins, from all over the world, work and live together to build a world that is open to diversity and respectful of every local community to foster encounters, mutual learning and community education.

Les Villages des Jeunes is the regional branch of the national Solidarités Jeunesses movement in Provence-Alpes-Côte d'Azur (PACA). **Solidarités Jeunesses (SJ)** is an association of non formal education which has solidarity, voluntary commitment and a strong political will as its core values. Our choices and our actions are influenced by our vision of society where progress is social, where **the respect of human beings and the environment is a fundamental and shared value, where freedom to choose, to dream and to resist is innate or fostered**. Our activities are organised for all, regardless of gender, social and cultural background, or nationality.

More information about our organisation on those to websites:

- <http://www.villagesdesjeunes.org/>
- <https://www.facebook.com/villagesdesjeunes>
- <https://www.facebook.com/vaunieres/>



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