



European Cultural Heritage Year 2018 - Sharing Heritage Invitation to a participation-project for young European

“Lab Europe”

Germany, Osnabrück, 16. – 26. August 2018

- Do you live in one of the places that have been awarded with the European Heritage Label and are between 18 and 25 years old?
- Are you a young musician or visual artist, have experience with theatre, are you interested in European history or digital media and games?
- Would you like to work creatively with other young Europeans from 16-26 August 2018 on the big theme of "Europe"?

Then this invitation is for you!

What is it about?

As part of the European Cultural Heritage Year 2018, the sites of the Peace of Westphalia, the cities of Osnabrück and Münster, invite young people from the other locations of the European Cultural Heritage Sites to take part in the meeting and participation project "Labor Europa" in Osnabrück, Germany, from 16 to 26 August 2018.

The joint work takes place in five so-called laboratories in the five areas of visual arts, history, performance, music and media, which have the character of workshops and in which, speaking figuratively, something is divided and "cultures" grow. The participants deal with the history and present of Europe and describe the future Europe. Communication language is in English. The individual laboratories have 8-15 participants and are accompanied by professional partners such as the Theater Osnabrück, the Institute for Music, the Society for contemporary arts Osnabrück, the Museum of Cultural History or the Medienhaus Osnabrück. The results of the laboratory work will be presented in public on 24 and 25 August 2018.

What awaits you?

You will take part in a 10-day, exciting and lively exchange with other young Europeans, which includes joint work as well as a leisure and cultural programme. We will take over the costs for your arrival and departure, accommodation in a hotel and meals.

As security, each participant must pay a participation fee of 100 Euro in advance.

How can you apply for participation?

Below you will find information about the lab of history "War and Peace in European History", the content and conditions of participation.

Please send your application written in English by 15th April 2018 by e-mail to: lab.europe@osnabrueck.de
Together with our partners, we will select the final participants and send you a reply at the beginning of May 2018, stating whether your application was successful.

Further information and contact details for queries can be found at: www.lab-europe-osnabrueck.de

If you have any questions, please contact us at: lab.europe@osnabrueck.de

Lab History: “War and Peace in European History”

How are we going to remember European future? Will Europe ever achieve a lasting peace? In order to attain peace we should remember and reflect on the past and current wars in Europe.

As a designated “city of peace”, committed to promoting tolerance and intercultural understanding, Osnabrück is the perfect place to delve deeper into the topic of “War and Peace in European History”. The year 2018 will mark the 370th anniversary of the Westphalian Peace, the first “European conference” ever, which was heralded as the event that would bring lasting peace to Europe. However, in the following centuries fields and cities across Europe were torn apart by new confrontations. Since WW I and II Europe has avoided wars between its major powers for an extended period of time, but the dream of a truly peaceful Europe has not come true yet.

The international laboratory provides a forum for young Europeans to exchange ideas on “War and Peace in European History” and learn more about the topic from a transnational perspective. During the youth meeting the participants will have an opportunity to actively shape the workshop and develop an international exhibition on the seminar topic. To make this possible every participant is invited to bring one personal object that is connected to the topic of “War and Peace”. The object should be related to their personal history and possibly to the history of their country.

The program will include guest lectures, talks, a meeting with eye-witnesses of the Second World War, study visits to museums and places of interest in Osnabrück and its surrounding area.

Participants: 12-15 Europeans, in the age of 18-25, from various disciplines. The participants should be interested in the topic and will be asked to participate actively in the discussions and share their experiences related to the workshop theme.

Application: Please send a short CV and a motivational letter which should include the description of the object you intend to bring by 15th April 2018 to lab.europe@osnabrueck.de

Organizers:

The “Museumsquartier” (www.osnabrueck.de/fnh/start-fnh.html) is one of the major cultural sites in Osnabrück dealing with the history of Nazism. The “Felix-Nussbaum-Haus” exhibits an outstanding collection of the Jewish painter Felix Nussbaum, who was born in Osnabrück and murdered in Auschwitz in 1944. The “Villa Schlikker”, another part of the “Museumsquartier”, was the center of the local Nazi politics in Osnabrück from 1932 to 1945.

The memorial sites *Gestapokeller* and *Augustaschacht* (www.gedenkstaetten-augustaschacht-osnabrueck.de/Gestapokeller/) are located on the grounds of the former Gestapo prison and former work education camp Ohrbeck.

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