Youth in Action – European Voluntary Service

Working in event organizing, workshop managing and public relations

The Institution

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The institute for new media is a non-profit training and production company with beneficial status, dedicated to promote media education and media culture in the region.

The Institute consists of two departments: the professional training department media college rostock runs vocational training courses.

The second department, the media workshop or "eure medienwerkstatt" is a regional media culture and education centre for people of all ages, which runs workshops regarding computer, internet, graphic design and filmmaking. We want to introduce the possibilities of new digital and audiovisual media to people from all ages and help them with getting used with their handling. In particular want to support and encourage young people to produce their own messages, their own media projects.

In addition to the workshops and training courses the media workshop is organizing local, regional and national media competitions and film festivals. The main event is the annual FiSH - film festival in the city harbor of Rostock.

The media workshop has 8 employees (media teachers, management staff and technicians), more than 10 volunteers and up to 15 freelance cooperators (lecturers, trainers).

Our surroundings - Hanseatic city of Rostock

The university and hanseatic city of Rostock is with 200.000 inhabitants the biggest city in Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania. Our media workshop is located in the arts and media centre FRIEDA23 in the district Kröpeliner-Tor-Vorstadt (KTV), near the city centre and close to Rostock's city harbor at the Warnow River.

The KTV offers lot of cultural institutions and university locations, various opportunities for young people to get involved in community life, as well as a wide range of pubs.





Tasks and expectations

This EVS activity will split into two main topics: the FiSH film festival on the one hand, the media training courses and workshops on the other. Both topics contain various aspects such as planning, organizing, preparing, researching, managing and promoting. The volunteer will be part of the management teams and becomes a full member of the staff.





The FiSH side

- preparation and organization of the different festival sections and programs
- scouting the young film scene of a baltic neighboring country
- getting in touch with other festivals, film schools and the national film board of this country
- · research for new film of young film makers
- · inviting young film makers and special guests to the festival
- assistance in preparing the program schedule
- promoting the festival and it's program in various print products, on a website on also on social media
- looking after guests during the festival
- evaluating and documenting the intercultural parts of the festival





The workshop side

- research on current and also upcoming media trends
- developing possible workshops and courses
- organizing and preparing workshops and courses
- handling the registration and payment process at the media workshop
- assisting media teachers during workshops
- promoting workshops and courses in various print products, on a website on also on social media

Abilities and interests of the volunteer

- adult (older than 17) and enabled to organize the daily life independently
- good social and communication skills
- willingness to make contact with various people
- willingness to work in teams
- ability and willingness to work independently
- willingness to take responsibility,
- interests in intercultural exchange
- basics computer skills with office software and web 2.0
- nice to have: not only interests in arts and culture, but also in cinema and movies

We care for you!

The Institute has been working with many young volunteers for years now, especially in festival teams. All permanent employees of the Media Workshop Rostock are experienced in supervising trainees and volunteers. Each trainee or volunteer gets a personal supervisor. Also the city has many leisure time actives to offer.