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# ILLUSTRATING EQUALITY

# **COMICS FOR CHANGE**

YOUTH EXCHANGE 24.06.2025 - 02.07.2025 ALICANTE, SPAIN





# **ABOUT THE PROJECT**

WE BELIEVE THAT YOUNG PEOPLE HAVE THE POWER TO SHARE THEIR EXPERIENCES AND STAND UP AGAINST THESE CHALLENGES THROUGH ART. THIS IS HOW THE YOUTH EXCHANGE "ILLUSTRATING EQUALITY: COMICS FOR CHANGE" WAS BORN—AN EXPERIENCE THAT HARNESSES THE POWER OF COMICS AND ILLUSTRATION TO CONFRONT PREJUDICE, STEREOTYPES, AND MICROAGGRESSIONS. DURING THIS EXCHANGE, WE WILL EXPLORE HOW TO USE GRAPHIC ART AS A TOOL FOR SOCIAL CHANGE, CREATING COMICS THAT PROMOTE MESSAGES OF EQUALITY AND RESPECT. ACTIVITIES WILL INCLUDE COMIC CREATION WORKSHOPS, EXPERIENCE-SHARING SESSIONS, AND DISCUSSIONS ON HOW COMICS CAN SHAPE THE WAY WE SEE THE WORLD.

# THE PROJECT WILL BE CARRIED OUT IN THE COURSE OF 9 CONSECUTIVE DAYS:

**ARRIVAL DATE: 24.06.2025** 

**ACTIVITY DATES: 25.06 - 01.07.2025** 

**DEPARTURE DATE: 02.07.2025** 

# **OBJECTIVES**

- RAISE AWARENESS OF EVERYDAY HATE, PREJUDICE, AND MICROAGGRESSIONS THROUGH THE CREATION OF COMICS.
- EMPOWER YOUNG PEOPLE TO EXPRESS
  THEIR EXPERIENCES AND PERSPECTIVES
  THROUGH GRAPHIC ART, PROMOTING
  MESSAGES OF EQUALITY AND RESPECT.
- DEVELOP ARTISTIC AND STORYTELLING SKILLS THAT ENABLE PARTICIPANTS TO USE COMICS AS TOOLS FOR SOCIAL CHANGE.
- INSPIRE YOUNG PEOPLE TO SHARE THEIR COMICS AND MESSAGES WITHIN THEIR COMMUNITIES, CONTRIBUTING TO THE FIGHT AGAINST DISCRIMINATION.
- ENCOURAGE CRITICAL REFLECTION ON HOW VISUAL MEDIA CAN SHAPE PERCEPTIONS OF STEREOTYPES AND HATE.
- FOSTER COLLABORATION AND THE EXCHANGE OF IDEAS AMONG YOUNG PEOPLE FROM DIVERSE BACKGROUNDS, PROMOTING EMPATHY AND MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING.

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# **OUR FACILITATOR**



NADIA JAITY NAJLANI IS A YOUTH WORKER, TRAINER, ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATOR, AND INTERNATIONAL PROJECT COORDINATOR. WITH OVER SIX YEARS OF EXPERIENCE IN THE ASSOCIATIVE SECTOR, SHE HAS TAKEN ON VARIOUS ROLES AS A VOLUNTEER, ACTIVIST, SPEAKER, MEDIATOR, TRAINER, CREATES FACILITATOR. SHE EDUCATIONAL CONTENT, DESIGNS AND IMPLEMENTS TRAINING IN YOUTH EXCHANGES, AS WELL AS TRAINING COURSES AND WORKSHOPS ON ANTI-RACISM.

SUSTAINABILITY, INCLUSION, INTERSECTIONALITY, DIGITALIZATION, AND INTERCULTURAL MEDIATION, COMBINING NON-FORMAL EDUCATION AND ACTIVISM TO CREATE A SOCIAL IMPACT BY EMPOWERING YOUTH. NADIA COORDINATES KA2 PROJECTS, IS PART OF THE WRITING AND VISIBILITY DEPARTMENTS, AND HAS FACILITATED WORKSHOPS AT THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT, INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITIES, NATIONAL ENTITIES, AND LOCAL NETWORKS. SHE HAS WORKED IN PROGRAMS SUCH AS ERASMUS+, CES, SUSI, AND EYE.

SHE HOLDS A DEGREE IN BIOLOGY FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF MURCIA AND COMPLETED HER STUDIES AT THE UNIVERSITY OF DAUGAVPILS IN LATVIA. IN 2022, SHE WAS SELECTED BY THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF STATE AS A YOUNG SPANISH LEADER IN COMMUNICATION, STUDY, AND RESEARCH ON CLIMATE CHANGE, TRAINING AT THE UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA.

## PARTICIPANT'S PROFILE

#### **PARTICIPANT:**

- AGED BETWEEN 18 AND 30 YEARS.
- INTERESTED IN GRAPHIC ART, ILLUSTRATION, AND VISUAL STORYTELLING.
- MOTIVATED TO ADDRESS ISSUES SUCH AS EVERYDAY HATE, DISCRIMINATION, AND PREJUDICE.
- EAGER TO LEARN AND EXPERIMENT WITH COMIC CREATION AS A FORM OF EXPRESSION.
- WILLING TO SHARE PERSONAL EXPERIENCES AND REFLECTIONS IN A COLLABORATIVE ENVIRONMENT.
- OPEN TO CONNECTING WITH YOUNG PEOPLE FROM DIVERSE BACKGROUNDS AND CULTURES TO FOSTER EMPATHY AND MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING.

#### **GROUP LEADER:**

- CONNECTED WITH A SENDING ORGANIZATION.
- YOUTH WORKERS WITH PRIOR EXPERIENCE IN THE FIELD OF YOUTH WORK.
- EXPERIENCED AND QUALIFIED TO CARE FOR A GROUP OF YOUNG PEOPLE.
- GROUP LEADERS MAY BE OVER 30 YEARS OLD.

#### **EXPECTATIONS:**

- BE ABLE TO COMMUNICATE IN ENGLISH
- BE PUNCTUAL AND RESPONSIBLE
- PARTICIPATE ACTIVELY
- RESPECT THE RULES OF THE PLACE (SMOKE AND DRINKING ALCOHOL IS FORBIDDEN AT THE PREMISES OF THE HOSTEL)

# **TRAVEL COSTS**

# **IMPORTANT NOTE!**

ALL PARTNERS (SENDING ORGANIZATION) WILL RECEIVE THE EXACT AMOUNT OF MONEY THE PARTICIPANT HAS PAID FOR THEIR JOURNEY TO ALICANTE. HOWEVER, THIS SUM MUST NOT SURPASS THE MAX AMOUNT OF THE TRAVEL GRANT DEFINED BY THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION. GIVE ALL TICKETS AND BOARDING PASSES TO A CAZALLA'S COORDINATOR VIA ΑT EMAIL THE ORIGINAL CHANA.PEREIRA.ALVES.COM OR POST TRAVEL DOCUMENTS TILL 20TH DECEMBER 2021 TO: CAZALLA INTERCULTURAL, C/ MEDICO PELEGRIN MEDINA, APDO 02, 30800 LORCA (MURCIA), SPAIN.

TO PROCESS THE REIMBURSEMENT WE NEED ALL TICKETS AND BOARDING PASSES FROM THE TRAVEL, DON'T BUY THEM WITHOUT CONSULTATION WITH PROJECT COORDINATOR!

country	participants	travel grant
Spain	6 (5 participants + 1 Group Leader)	28 € per person 56€ for green travel
Macedonia	6 (5participants +1 Group Leader)	395 € per person 535 & for green travel
Italy	6 (5 participants + 1 Group Leader)	309 € per person 417 & for green travel
France	6 (5 participants + 1 Group Leader)	309 € per person 417 & for green travel

# THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW

#### **DOCUMENTS**

BE SURE THAT YOU HAVE VITAL INSURANCE CARD AND IDENTITY CARD.

#### TRAVEL ITINERARY

DON'T BUY A TICKETS WITHOUT PREVIOUS CONSULT-ATION WITH THE COORDINATOR FROM HOSTING@CAZALLA-INTERCULTURAL.ORG. SEND TO IN ADVANCE YOUR TRAVEL ITINERARY.

#### **LUGGAGE**

YOU WILL STAY AT THE HOSTEL. TAKE WITH YOU YOUR OWN TOILETRIES AND TOWELS. THE HOSTEL IS NEARBY THE SEA SO TAKE WITH YOU THE SWIMSUIT, SPF FILTER AND BEACH TOWEL.

#### **SPECIAL NEEDS**

IN ORDER TO PROVIDE A SAFE EXPERIENCE FOR ALL PARTICIPANTS, THE TEAM RECOMMENDS/APPRECIATES THAT PEOPLE WHO HAVE ANY SPECIAL NEEDS RELATED TO THEIR PHYSICAL/MENTAL WELLBEING, PLEASE LET US KNOW PRIVATELY IN ADVANCE, SO THAT WE CAN ADAPT THE METHODOLOGY OF THE EVENT, IF NECESSARY.

## THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW

#### **ACCOMODATION AND FOOD**

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THE ERASMUS+ PROGRAMME PROVIDES ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD. IF YOU HAVE ANY ALLERGIES PLEASE LET US KNOW IN THE REGISTRATION FORM, SO WE CAN MAKE YOUR EXPERIENCE AS ENJOYABLE AS POSSIBLE.

# ARE TAXIS, RENT CARS OR CARPOOLING ACCEPTED?

THE ERASMUS+ PROGRAMME IS QUITE FLEXIBLE IN TERMS OF HOW YOU TRAVEL, BUT. ALWAYS THE FIRST OPTION SHOULD BE THE CHEAPEST ONE LIKE TRADITIONAL MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION, SUCH AS TRAINS OR BUSSES. OTHERWISE, PLEASE INFORM US IN ADVANCE FOR YOUR TRAVEL INTENTIONS SO WE CAN DISCUSS YOUR OPTIONS AND NECESSARY PAPERS FOR REIMBURSEMENT.

#### **CANISTAY LONGER?**

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THE PROJECT WILL START ON 24.06.2025, WITH AN ARRIVAL DATE, AND WILL FINISH ON 02.07.2025, WITH A DEPARTURE DATE. YOU ARE ALLOWED TO STAY FOR AN ADDITIONAL 2 DAYS BEFORE OR AFTER THE COURSE, BUT PLEASE NOTE THAT ONLY YOUR TRAVEL EXPENSES WILL BE REFUNDED FOR THOSE EXTRA 2 DAYS, NOT THE ACCOMMODATION. IF YOU WISH TO EXTEND YOUR STAY BEYOND THE 2-DAY ALLOWANCE, PLEASE BE AWARE THAT THE PROJECT WILL NOT COVER THE COSTS OF YOUR TRAVEL, ACCOMMODATION, AND FOOD. KINDLY INFORM US BEFORE YOU PURCHASE YOUR TICKETS.

# HOW TO PREPARE YOURSELF TO THE PROJECT

#### **TRAVEL TICKETS:**

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READ CAREFULLY THE REIMBURSEMENT GUIDE TO KNOW WHAT DOCUMENTS WE NEED TO BE ABLE TO SEND YOU THE MONEY BACK FOR YOUR TRAVEL COSTS. JUST IN CASE SAFE ALL TICKETS AND BOARDING PASSES. IT WOULD BE GREAT IF YOU HAVE A BANK ACCOUNT IN EU, IN OTHER WAY THE TRANSFER WILL COST YOU A FEE.

#### INTERCULTURAL EVENING

THIS WILL BE A UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY TO SHOWCASE THE RICHNESS OF YOUR COUNTRY. INSTEAD OF A TRADITIONAL POWERPOINT PRESENTATION WITH PHOTOS, WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO GET CREATIVE! BRING YOUR CULTURE TO LIFE WITH MUSIC, FOOD, DANCES, AND MAYBE EVEN A FUN QUIZ OR SURPRISE ACTIVITY FOR THE OTHER PARTICIPANTS. LET YOUR IMAGINATION RUN WILD!

PLEASE KEEP IN MIND THAT THERE IS NO FRIDGE AVAILABLE AT THE VENUE FOR STORING FRESH FOOD. PLAN ACCORDINGLY WHEN THINKING ABOUT WHAT TO BRING.

WE CAN'T WAIT TO SEE HOW YOU'LL SURPRISE AND DELIGHT EVERYONE WITH YOUR CULTURAL TREASURES!

# **VENUE OF THE EVENT**

#### **ALICANTE**

THE YOUTH EXCHANGE IS SCHEDULED TO TAKE PLACE IN THE BEAUTIFUL COASTAL CITY OF ALICANTE, LOCATED IN SOUTHEASTERN SPAIN. PARTICIPANTS WILL BE STAYING AT THE YOUTH HOSTEL, ALBERGUE JUVENIL LA FLORIDA, SITUATED ON ORIHUELA STREET. THIS SPACIOUS COMPLEX FEATURES NUMEROUS ROOMS ACCOMMODATING UP TO FOUR BEDS WITH PRIVATE BATHROOMS. AS THIS IS A YOUTH HOSTEL, PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING YOUR OWN TOWELS AND TOILETRIES, AS THEY WILL NOT BE PROVIDED. ALSO, DON'T FORGET SUNSCREEN, AS THE SUN IN SPAIN IS STRONG YEAR-ROUND. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS REGARDING THE VENUE, FEEL FREE TO REACH OUT TO US.

ADDRESS: ALBERGUE JUVENIL LA FLORIDA <u>AV. D'ORIOLA, 59,</u> ALICANTE

THE HOSTEL PROVIDES BEDDING, BUT TOWELS ARE NOT INCLUDED. YOU CAN RENT IT FOR 2EUR. COMPLIMENTARY WI-FI IS AVAILABLE THROUGHOUT THE HOSTEL.

WE ADVISE PARTICIPANTS TO BRING ANY PRINTED MATERIALS THEY MAY NEED, AS THERE IS NO PRINTING CENTER IN THE VICINITY.

PLEASE NOTE THAT SMOKING AND ALCOHOL CONSUMPTION ARE STRICTLY PROHIBITED ON THE HOSTEL PREMISES. A MEMBER OF THE COORDINATORS' TEAM WILL ALWAYS BE PRESENT AT THE HOSTEL TO ASSIST PARTICIPANTS THROUGHOUT THEIR STAY.

THE YOUTH HOSTEL WILL PROVIDE BREAKFAST, LUNCH, AND DINNER. THE KITCHEN IS FULLY EQUIPPED AND ACCESSIBLE AT ALL TIMES. PARTICIPANTS ARE REQUIRED TO DECLARE ANY SPECIAL DIETARY NEEDS (SUCH AS FOOD ALLERGIES AND PREFERENCES) ON THE REGISTRATION FORM.

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# **VENUE OF THE EVENT**

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# **HOW TO GET TO ALICANTE**

THE BEST OPTION IS TO FLIGHT TO ALICANTE-ELCHE AIRPORT.

IF YOU HAVE TO FLIGHT TO ANOTHER CITY WE RECOMMEND MADRID BARAJAS OR VALENCIA AIRPORT. THEN YOU CAN ARRIVE TO ALICANTE BY TRAIN (RENFE.ES) OR BUS (ALSA.COM). BEFORE BUYING THE TICKETS PLEASE DOUBLE CHECK FIRST THE BUS/TRAIN CONNECTION AS SOMETIMES THERE ARE BIG HOUR GAPS.

## **FROM MADRID**

- YOU CAN TAKE A DIRECT BUS FROM THE AIRPORT TO ALICANTE AT 22:45 (DURATION 6H30M) OR 23:45 (DURATION 5H55M), (BUY TICKETS IN ADVANCE (WWW.ALSA.COM)
- YOU CAN GO TO TERMINAL 4 AND TAKE A TRAIN TO C1 AND GO TO ATOCHA OR CHAMARTÍ TRAIN STATION, THEN GO TO MADRID ESTACIÓN SUR BUS STATION WHERE YOU CAN FIND BUSES TO ALICANTE, THE JOURNEY TAKES 5H. YOU CAN CHECK THE HOURS AT WWW.ALSA.COM YOU CAN TAKE AS WELL A TRAIN FROM ATOCHA STATION OR CHAMARTÍN STATION TO ALICANTE. THE TRAIN GOES ONLY 3H AND THERE ARE VARIOUS TRAIN COMPANIES LIKE: RENFE. OUIGO AND IRYO.

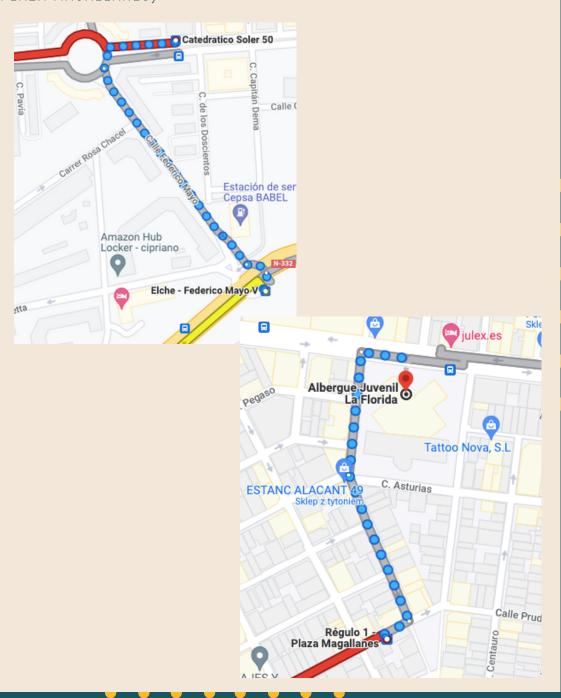
#### **FROM VALENCIA**

- BY METRO YOU CAN GO TO THE TRAIN STATION AND TAKE A TRAIN TO ALICANTE.
- IT'S A 2H LONG TRIP. THE SCHEDULE YOU CAN FIND AT WWW.RENFE.ES
- EVERY HOUR YOU CAN CATCH THE BUS FROM VALENCIA BUS STATION TO ALICANTE (WWW.ALSA.COM) YOU CAN GET THERE BY METRO AND BUS. WE RECOMMEND YOU TO CHECK IT ON GOOGLE MAPS.

# **HOW TO REACH THE VENUE**

#### FROM ALICANTE AIRPORT

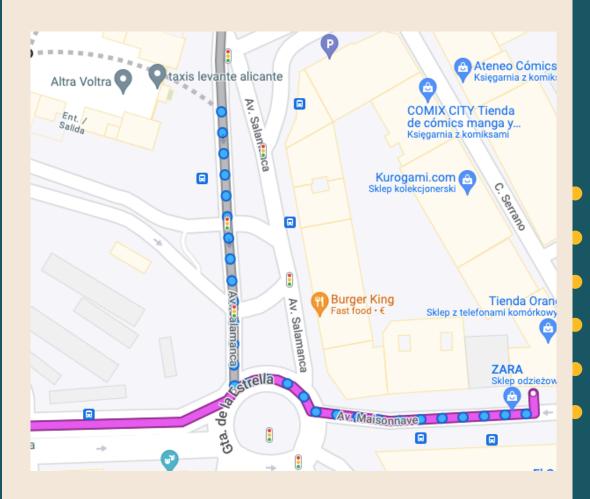
TAKE A CITY BUS C-6 AND GO TO 3RD STOP (ELCHE - FEDERICO MAYO V) THEN GO TO THE BUS STOP CATEDRÁTICO SOLER 50 AND TAKE A BUS LINE O2 DIRECTION LA FLORIDA GET OUT AT 7TH STOP (REGULO 1 - PLAZA MAGALLANES)



# **HOW TO REACH THE VENUE**

## FROM ALICANTE TRAIN STATION

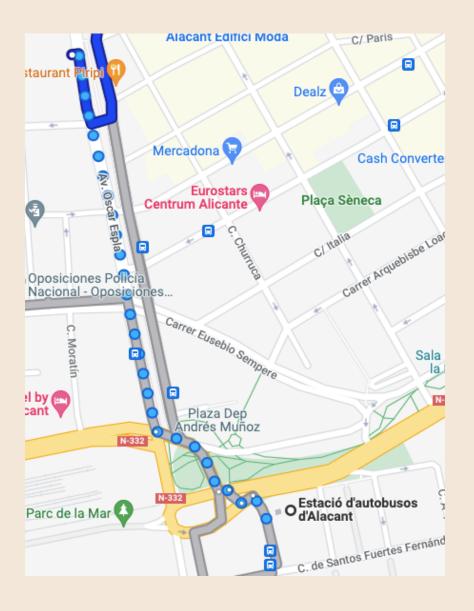
YOU CAN TAKE THE BUS 04 FROM BUS STOP SALAMANCA 7 DIRECTION CEMENTERIO AND GET OUT AT THE STOP AZORÍN 40 (6 STOPS).



# **HOW TO REACH THE VENUE**

## FROM ALICANTE BUS STATION

BUS 07 FROM THE BUS STOP OSCAR ESPLÁ 37, DIRECTION EL REBOLLEDO. THE STOP IS CALLED ORIHUELA 108 WHICH IS IN THE FRONT OF THE YOUTH HOSTEL. YOU CAN GO A LITTLE BUT FURHTER AND TAKE AS WELL THE BUS 03 FROM THE BUS STOP MAISONNAVE 42 (CHECK PREVIOUS PAGE).



# **CONTACT**

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WORKING HOURS: 10:00 - 14:30

16:00 - 19:30

