

# JOIN THE INTERCULTURAL TEAM OF VOLUNTEERS FROM ŁAZARZ!

We want to invite You to participate in the project "Between us neighbors" especially if You are interested in making the Łazarz (neighborhood in Poznan) a friendly place for all its inhabitants. As representatives of different cultures, nationalities, religions and at the same time neighbors, we want to give ourselves the opportunity to better know, talk and understand each other. We believe that by this project we have an opportunity to build a bridge between seemingly strangers from different worlds – between foreigners living in our neighborhood and people living in Łazarz for a very long time.

#### How do we achieve this?

To do this, we create a strong team of 16 volunteers (consisting of 8 foreigners and 8 Poles). For 9 months (April to December), they will work for an integration of the local Łazarz community in the name of intercultural understanding. Our chosen volunteers will be train and prepare for the role of animators and educators. Then the team will choose multicultural tandems, composed of foreign and Polish people, who will be responsible for the implementation of selected events in a series of meetings, "The 5 senses of culture" (see below) or workshops in schools concern intercultural issues. Together we will support the Muslim Cultural and Educational Center in preparations for this year's Night of Museums and we will carry out an adaptation of "Living Library" during the Days of Łazarz in 2016.

#### What do You gain by joining the project?

- You will gain or expand your knowledge about intercultural education and animation of the local community;
- You will know a number of interactive tools (such as brainstorming, discussion, self-reflection, drama techniques, etc.) to work with the local community;
- You will learn how to organize various social and cultural events from scratch;
- You will receive individual mentoring during the project;
- You will learn how to work in an international team and you will experience an interesting meetings at the crossroads of cultures and religions;
- You will meet many fantastic people, which may result in building a long-term, beautiful relationships. ©

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#### What do we expect from the volunteer?

- Your commitment, openness and good energy;
- Participating in the whole training (a total of 24 teaching hours);
- Cooperation in the preparations for the implementation of selected events in the series of "5 senses of culture" or workshops in schools;
- Availability at the event "Night of Museums" or adaptation of "Living Library".

#### Schedule of activities:

1. 24-hour training of intercultural education and animation of the local community, in dates:

<b>8.04.2016</b> – g. 15.00 - 19.00		<b>22.04.2016</b> – g.15.00 - 19.00
<b>9.04.2016</b> – g. 10.00 - 16.00	and	<b>23.04.2016</b> – g.10.00 - 16.00

Because of the intercultural nature of the project, training will be conducted in English and Polish (we are counting on the mutual support of the participants, check and help in breaking language barriers).

- 2. Co-organization of the "**Night of Museums**" in the Muslim Cultural and Educational Centre on the night of 14-15th May (half of the team of volunteers).
- 3. Co-organization of **adaptation of "Living Library"** during the Days of Łazarz on June 3th (half of the team of volunteers).
- 4. Organization of min. two of the 24 meetings in the "5 Senses of Culture" project from June to December (dates of individual events will be set a few months later).
- 5. Carrying out min. two of 3-hour **workshops in schools.** Workshops concern intercultural issues carried out from September to November 2016.

Complete application form (available <u>HERE</u>) and wait for our answer. Do not delay!

Order of applications will be significant for participation in the project. Residents from Łazarz neighborhood are preferred.

We will wait for filled up applications **until midnight on 3th of April 2016**. In case of a large interest in the project, we reserve the right to shorten the term of volunteers recruitment.



## "5 senses of culture" - a cycle

The "5 senses of culture" is carry out from June to December. It is a series of 24 educational and cultural activities, that are involving all the senses, for better understanding of other people and also to allow for development of 6<sup>th</sup> sense - cultural sensitivity. This series is mostly created for younger and older residents of Łazarz (foreigners and Poles), but not only for them.

### **Events in the cycle are:**

- 1) "Close meeting with culture stories from countries around the world,". Event will have form of cultural and historical presentations, including:
- a) proposals from foreigners part of the meetings devoted to Arabic countries, showing the diversity of the Arabic world and the need to explore the cultures of individual nations and ethnic groups;
- b) proposals from the Poles, who will talk about the multicultural heritage of Łazarz and Poznan dialect.

That type of activities (a)+b) will have 5 meetings.

- 2) Visiting the mosque and the exhibition at the Muslim Center of culture and education, including a lecture about the Arabic world and Islam led by the Imam (2 meetings);
- 3) Public debate about "How to implement intercultural and interreligious dialogue?". The meeting goal is to exchange views / opinion about intercultural action in Poznan, the need of building intercultural dialogue between Poles and foreigners and ideas for integration (1 meeting);
- 4) <u>Language Café</u> "On languages", that is talkative meeting for tongue training and to learn English, Polish, Arabic, French et al. languages. During this workshops we will be gathered together in a relaxed atmosphere with coffee and sweets, to discuss topics that are interesting for us (thematic meetings are possible too) (8 meetings - every two weeks);
- 5) "Through the stomach to the heart", is integrating culinary workshops, based on a common cooking and tasting dishes cooked from selected countries, led by their representatives (2 meetings);
- 6) "Art brings people together", are integrating cultural workshops. In these workshops there will be dance workshops from different regions of the world, playing music together and learning Arabic calligraphy and painting with henna (3 meetings - 1 of each kind);

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- 7) <u>"Fairytale afternoons"</u> created for the youngest participants of the meetings with the culture. These meeting will be with fairy tales from around the world telling by foreigners and Poles (especially welcome children with parents) (2 meetings);
- 8) <u>II adaptation of "Living Library"</u> an event carried out on the model of which will be carried out during the Days of Lazarus. To participate the meeting as a "Living Books" we will invite new people. Date is scheduled in October / November.

The project is cofunded by Poznań City Council.



Partnerzy projektu:



