Are you inspired?

Nantes Creative Generations encourages innovative citizen initiatives, openness to Europe, meetings and networking between young people from Nantes and Europe.

Do you have a project which you believe in, an initiative which you would like to share? Are you inspired? Then join the NCG community and enjoy a friendly experience full of shared cultures and creative experimentation!
Good ideas need a voice

Young people right across Europe are being innovative and committed, playing their part in shaking up society. They are expressing their creative abilities in every area, defying stereotypes.

In response to this creative abilities of young people in Nantes and Europe-wide, the City of Nantes and Nantes Métropole launched the Nantes Creative Generations (NCG) Forum in 2009. We are convinced that young Europeans and their projects represent the Europe of the future, and we are encouraging and supporting their initiatives.

Today, Nantes Creative Generations is made up of different components, which give young people an opportunity to meet, exchange ideas and to take further steps to reinforce the concept of citizenship and “living together”. It is also a means of recognising their involvement, validating their initiatives in a changing Europe, and fostering the desire to work together.

**Encourage creative and citizen initiatives**

Nantes Creative Generations supports young Europeans who are involved in or want to make a commitment to the theme of “living together”. Nantes Creative Generations fosters the creation and successful implementation of many types of inspiring and innovative projects, which promote greater humanity, generosity and solidarity in Europe.

**Promote meetings and openness to Europe**

By creating an environment conducive to mobility and sharing experiences, Nantes Creative Generations would like to give all young people the opportunity to develop an open attitude to Europe, to forge and foster relationships within a European network, and to access advice, contacts and resources in order to set up new initiatives.

The innovative nature of Nantes Creative Generations extends beyond its content to its design. It is designed by, for and with young people. Its structure, implementation and assessment framework bring together civil society and a network of Nantes non-profit associations.

Lastly, Nantes Creative Generations is committed to following up the bonds formed in Europe with institutions (European Commission, Council of Europe) and civil society (European Youth Forum, European Youth Press), thus helping to build a genuine European citizen network.
For young people from Nantes and young Europeans aged 18 to 30

Young people are the Europeans of the future. Their ideas and initiatives are at the very core of Nantes Creative Generations.

NCG creates bonds between the people of Nantes and Europeans. It is aimed at young people from the 24 communes forming Nantes Métropole and from the Council of Europe member states.

Nantes Creative Generations: a European experience and a local venture.

The design, implementation and assessment framework of NCG bring together a network of Nantes non-profit associations. Associations operating in areas such as youth, Europe, international mobility and media, provide their expertise and skills in supporting projects, multimedia creation and organising events.

The vibrant local non-profit sector helps to make NCG an innovative and experimental event.

Nantes non-profit associations involved

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3 DAYS IN NANTES

18 languages spoken
17 Nantes non profit associations
75 participants

45% male
female 55%

Average age 25
260 participants
2,852 ideas
375 sandwiches
3 translators
60 applications

25 projects selected
3 cooperation prizes

14 debates
17 workshops
178,860 km travelled
75 litres of coffee

33 nationalities
3 cooperation prizes

10 partners

since 2009
Bring young Europeans together to share their ideas.
Foster curiosity and discussion.
Provide the key to setting up projects in Europe.

THE FORUM
A major annual gathering

This is the core NCG event. The Forum, which takes place every year in the autumn, aims to bring together young people to present their innovative and inspirational projects linked to citizenship. As well as showcasing their own projects, participants will have the chance to learn from peers across Europe and to gain better understanding of the European dimension of local projects. This is a forum for dialogue about the realities affecting young people in Europe, and also a time for work and thinking – a genuine melting pot of ideas and cultures.

Over the course of 3 days in Nantes, Europeans from every background are invited to:
– Present a project or initiative
– Share best practice
– Develop skills in setting up projects in Europe
– Meet potential future partners with a view to setting up across-border projects which could be funded by the Cooperation Prize
– Have discussions with other young Europeans
– Take part in social events

The programme
• Plenary sessions
To present projects to other participants, take part in discussions and public radio shows, and summarise the work carried out in workshops.
• Workshops
To discuss specific themes in small groups and gain skills in setting up projects, in particular cross-border projects (methods, funding, communications tools, etc.).
• Informal time
An opportunity to share experiences in more depth during free time.

How do I take part?

Every year, a call for applications is launched in the spring. They are scrutinised by a panel of elected representatives and experts. Approximately 25 projects are selected.

Creativity and innovation flourish in a number of areas. Projects can relate to a varied range of themes: social cohesion, fighting discrimination, citizen dialogue, culture, media, etc.
THE COOPERATION PRIZE

Support for cross-border projects

In order to stimulate synergies and promote long-term relationships between participants, a prize rewards projects involving cooperation between the people of Nantes and Europeans. Funding of between €2,000 and €5,000 allows young people who have taken part in the Forum to set up and implement a joint project.

Who can apply for the prize?

Non-profit associations or groups of young people who have taken part in a Forum since 2009 and whose project includes:
- At least one non-profit association or group of young people from Nantes.
- At least two non-profit associations or groups of young people from two other European countries.

What is an NCG cooperation project?

- A practical initiative to reinforce European civil society, citizenship and the concept of “living together.”
- A creative and innovative project implemented by young people in their home town.
- An effective partnership at every stage of the project, from design right through to implementation.

Prize-winning projects

ECO R’HOME
Winner NCG Cooperation Prize 2012
Production and broadcast of a short film on the process of building environmentally friendly social housing for the Roma community in Kojetice in Slovakia. This audiovisual project offers an unusual insight into social inclusion and sustainable development.

BY LES CRE’ALTER (NANTES), ARCHIMERA (SLOVAKIA) AND YOUTH POLITICAL CINEMA CLUB (RUSSIA).

ART ROCKET
Winner NCG Cooperation Prize 2011
A mobile arts project which transforms the public space into a virtual workshop and suggestion box. Using pop-up installations, artists explore the potential of urban sites and take visitors on imaginary journeys.

BY L’ATELIER FLEXIBLE (NANTES), OK CORRAL (DENMARK), BLACKPORT DESIGN KOLLEKTIV (GERMANY).

THE NETWORK

A lasting bond between participants

The aim of Nantes Creative Generations is to transform encounters into permanent links and to build a network of young people who are involved in, or seeking to become involved in, innovative citizen projects.

Stay connected

- www.nantescreativegenerations.eu lists all the projects presented at the various Forums as well as the latest NCG news, contact details for non-profit associations in Nantes supporting young people’s projects, useful information and much more.
- Follow all the latest NCG news and stay in touch on Twitter at www.twitter.com/NCG_Nantes.

Meeting up outside the Forum

- Cooperation Prize winners are invited to meet up in the spring and share their experiences at the next Forum.
- The NCG on Tour concept allows young people from Nantes to travel to meet previous Forum participants.

Getting support

Young people from Nantes can count on non-profit associations in the NCG network for support with developing their projects.

NCG ON TOUR

European openness offers an opportunity for all young people

Nantes Creative Generations also wants to get young people from Nantes involved, in particular those who have the fewest opportunities, to help them to develop projects and get active in Europe.

Every year, NCG on Tour helps young people from Nantes to meet former Forum participants in destinations all over Europe. This is an opportunity to learn about projects, speak another language and bring the network to life.

How do I get involved?

Every year, a call for applicants is launched in the spring. Between 10 and 15 young people are chosen to travel to a European destination in the summer. During the Forum, they are invited to talk about their experience and the project they discovered.

NCG On Tour 2012: A group from Nantes in Potsdam.
NEW IDEAS

new networks

act interact

young european

EUROPE

PARTICIPATIVE METHODS
inspired by

Netizens. Net
Nikita, 25
Budapest/HUNGARY
Create a media platform to allow young journalists to break into the working world. Publishing content on the website gives these young people the opportunity to express themselves freely and to be active citizens.
Forum 2011

MWradio - Monza Web Radio
Sara, 30 and Francesco, 26
Monza/ITALY
Create a web radio station to give a voice to young people who feel that they are players or have something to say and want to express themselves in an original way.
Forum 2009

Couffkoff
Antsa, 25
Nantes/FRANCE
Young people from the KOUAKILARIV’ association teach other youngsters to use a professional camera. They help them to frame their shots, select images and prepare their own exhibition.
Forum 2011
inspired by
Solidarity & Health

Synaxis Baltica
Katrin, 23 and Antonia, 21
Potsdam/GERMANY
Create an international network to share experiences based on the concept of community gardens and guerrilla gardening, spread the idea throughout Europe and create a community garden in a district of Potsdam. Forum 2009

Reve
Alberto, 30 and Victoria, 32
Valladolid/SPAIN
Create a community via a website open to young volunteers carrying out their European Voluntary Service (EVS) in Spain, which could eventually be accessible to all young people travelling to Spain. Forum 2009

Youth Media
to promote access for social right
Dynka, 26 and Raquel, 25
Amadora/Lisbon/PORTUGAL
Facilitate access to rights and social services for young African Portuguese speakers in deprived areas of Lisbon and involve them in community activities via a magazine, radio station and blog. Forum 2010

The Hague Youth Ambassadors
Joan, 26 and Zinab, 18
The Hague/NETHERLANDS
15 young volunteers play their part in creating social cohesion by offering advice to local authorities on public policy, in relation to young people, immigration and integration in particular. Forum 2011
inspired by
The environment

BoiBlitz Student Volunteers
Sara, 28 and George, 27
Bristol/UNITED KINGDOM
Raise awareness among young people of the environment and address biodiversity and environmental issues. Organisation by 150 young volunteers from Bristol of a major event which they hope to extend to the national level.
Forum 2010

Unjam the City!
Bartosz, 27 and Joanna, 27
Szczecin/POLAND
Organise events to promote cycling in towns. Publish a guide to help young people set up projects and campaign for the introduction of facilities to promote cycling.
Forum 2010

Bake – cyclocultural track
Michal, 27
Bratislava/SLOVAKIA
Promote cycling and develop cultural activities in small towns in Slovakia by organising a cycle route between Bratislava and Kosice.
Forum 2011

Student School of Sustainable Development
Léa, 24
Rijeka/CROATIA
A school of sustainable development at the university to raise awareness among young people, facilitate public involvement and develop projects.
Forum 2010
inspired by
Intercultural dialogue

Minorities around the world
Mariya, 26 and Agnija, 24
Brussels/BELGIUM
A network formed by students from several European countries to produce and publish studies to raise awareness of cultural and linguistic minorities which are threatened with extinction.
Forum 2010

Minority in Majority
Oksana, 32
Vilnius/LITHUANIA
Organise artistic and fun events and activities for 30 young people from 6 different countries belonging to an ethnic minority or majority in their respective countries. Facilitate mutual understanding and shared experiences in a spirit of creativity and citizenship.
Forum 2010

A case of belonging
Sinead, 21 and Rachel, 19
Bishop Auckland/UNITED KINGDOM
Exchange intercultural experiences based on an original play expressing the identities of the playwrights, their conception of borders and their native country, and also their memories.
Forum 2011
influenced by

Art & Culture

OK CORRAL
Studios and Residency
Troels, 30 and Phillip, 32
Copenhagen/DENMARK
Young artists supporting young artists: workshop and residency for 20 young graduate artists. Support the launch of young artists onto the art market and facilitate mobility throughout Scandinavia for them. Forum 2010

Blackport Design Kollectiv
Janusch, 32 and Simon, 25
Pforzheim/GERMANY
Students from the Pforzheim Design School organise artistic activities and shared experiences with young people. These activities are aimed at developing the creative industries and the appeal of their towns, ending the isolation of students and reinforcing the bond with local residents. Forum 2010

Utopia Helsinki
Aikku, 28 and Atlas, 28
Helsinki/FINLAND
Promote access to culture for all young people by respecting their differences and fighting discrimination (on the grounds of disability, sexual orientation, etc.); young people are involved in organising cultural activities and events for young people. Forum 2011

Photomarathon
Anna-Rebeccco, 26 and Joséphine, 24
Saarbrücken/GERMANY
Discover your town through photographs: young people organise their own photo marathon in Nantes, Saarbrücken and Tbilisi to promote and deepen relationships between young people in these three twin towns. Forum 2011
Are you inspired?

It’s time to act so come and join us. It’s easy, NCG is open to all, provided you meet a few basic criteria.

To take part in the Forum you must:
– Be between 18 and 30 years old.
– Live in the Nantes metropolitan area or in a Council of Europe member state.
– Have an idea or project for “living together”, which promotes solidarity, fosters cultural exchanges and encourages greater respect for and openness towards others, etc.
– Reply to the call for applications launched every year in the spring.

Useful information
– The projects selected are chosen by a panel and participants will be notified in the early summer.
– The Forum is held in Nantes in the autumn.
– Travel, accommodation and food are paid for by Nantes Métropole.

To take part in NCG On tour, you must:
– Be between 18 and 30 years old
– Live in the Nantes conurbation
– Reply to the call for applications launched every year in the spring.

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Being European is like being part of a big jigsaw made up of countries and cultures, with the potential to create a multicultural identity
Angelica, Italy

For me, NCG is an opportunity to get to know great people, to discover interesting projects, to stay in touch and to implement projects together somewhere in Europe
Valya, Bulgaria

To create or not to create? I prefer to create
Guillaume, France

NCG is an opportunity to see and test out the connections between young people from all over Europe
Greet, Belgium

I came to Nantes Creative Generations because I have ideas for developing projects which are socially useful
Marija, Serbia

Taking part in NCG is essential for us. It makes us feel as if we are actually building the Europe of the future
Phillip and Troels, Denmark
Are you inspired?

Yes!

Join us

Yes!

No

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See you in Nantes!!

Maybe you are too busy...

Yes!

No

You must be under 30

Yes!

No

Next time maybe?

Yes!

No

OK bye

Europe needs fresh ideas?

No

Brainstorm with friends

Yes!

No

Is your idea inspired?

Yes!

No

Grr

Grr

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