ICJA01 Performing Peace / German Protestant Church Conference / Blomberg -

Dortmund 10.06. - 23.06.19 Study / Art / Peace

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Language: English Fee: 150, - Euro

## ICJA – Performing Peace Project: What is your contribution to peace?

- o Are you interested in participating in a unique intercultural learning experience?
- o Do you embrace the idea of promoting peace among young people?
- Would you favor learning more about the fields of peace and conflict resolution and theater pedagogy?
- Are you willing to develop a joint performance and show it in public during the German Protestant conference – "Kirchentag"?

If so, you will definitely benefit from our "Performing Peace Project" and we would be more than happy to receive your application!

### **Project**

This workcamp is a very special one. Instead of doing manual work, volunteers will get a two-day personal training in conflict resolution and a four-day training in theater and performance. The overall idea is to invite international young people to discuss the topic of peace with them and to train them to become young activists for peace.

The workcamp starts in the small town Blomberg: Living in former holiday apartments, the volunteers will join interactive workshops and prepare a performance. Finally, the group will move to Dortmund and participate actively in the German Protestant Kirchentag presenting their performance

Literally translated, "Deutscher Evangelischer Kirchentag" means German Protestant Church

Day and it is a nation-wide German church festival which attracts all kind of visitors, Christian and non-Christian. It also can be seen as kind of fair or festival, where you will have the opportunity to get to know a wide range of social commitment and civil society initiatives and organizations in Germany.

During the Kirchentag, the tasks will be to support the exhibition booth of ICJA, inform visitors about our workcamp activities and to perform small theater scenes. In addition, you will have the opportunity to join



concerts, meditation sessions, and various panel discussions with personalities from the world of politics, science, art, business and the church. Most importantly, you can get in touch with many representatives of different organizations and visitors of the Kirchentag! Moreover, the activities during the workcamp will be documented (photos and videos) for public relations work of different organizations dedicated to peace work in Germany.

We would like to point out that applications of all applicants are welcomed, regardless of their religious affiliation.



#### **Accommodation**

In Blomberg, you will be accommodated in a holiday homes, including beds, cooking (self-catering!) and sanitation facilities. During the Kirchentag in Dortmund, you will be accommodated in a school or community center. Volunteers will get breakfast and vouchers for meals. Please note that you need to bring a sleeping bag and a sleeping mat!

# Region

Blomberg has about 16.000 inhabitants and is situated in the eastern part of North Rhine Westphalia, a region which is characterized by farms, hills (up to 500 meters) and plenty of forests.

Blomberg has a beautiful old town area with half-timbered houses and old alleyways. The old town is also home to a historical castle which now is established as a hotel.

# **Additional fee and Remark**

Good knowledge of English language and interest in the topic is needed! Please send us a short motivation letter where you underline your motivation together with your application. Due to additional costs for the trainers, the entrance to the Kirchentag and the shift to Dortmund, we ask for a contribution towards the cost of **150**, - **Euro**. If you are not able to afford the amount, please contact us.

The work camp **starts in Blomberg 10.06.19 and ends in Dortmund 23.06.19**. Please, bring clothing also for cold and wet weather, sportive clothes for theater training and dancing, musical instruments and please, do not forget your sleeping bag and sleeping mat!

**Terminal (nearest train station ) :** For arrival: For departure: Dortmund train station Schieder train station, next airports Duesseldorf / Köln / Bonn,