



## About the European Arts Forum

Following the immensely successful premiere of the European Arts Forum held in Brussels last November, WYA Europe is delighted to announce its second edition. The EAF will gather together artists, art critics, scholars, European decision-makers and participants from across Europe for an exhibition and some conferences that will examine the relationship between art, culture and human condition.

The theme of this year's conference is '**Art and Culture: Learning how to see again**' and will take place in Brussels from **25th to the 27th of June 2016**. The European Arts Forum will simultaneously exhibit the diverse work of young artists from across Europe and examine the relationship between art, culture, human dignity and human rights. Artwork selected for exhibition at the event ranges from sculpture, to painting, to jewellery-making, to coffee bean mosaics.

The World Youth Alliance affirms the transformative power of art, which encourages the individual to move beyond oneself, to connect with a greater community, and to contribute to society and culture. Art provides a window into the complexity, integrity, and beauty of human nature and the natural world. Art is an expression of human dignity and is an important part of the individual's desire for self-expression in the world. Artists play a crucial role in understanding human life. In art and its transcendent journey, we experience the depth of our human freedom.

## Schedule of the event

The European Arts Forum is a three-days long gathering that features a wide range of events, including an exhibition of the selected artworks, lectures by expert speakers, small group discussions, musical performances, work on a collaborative piece of art, negotiation of a Declaration to be presented at the European Parliament and presentations by the participating young artists about what shaped their work.

## Application process and participation fee

To participate in the WYA European Arts Forum 2016 all the attendees must be registered and will receive an acceptance letter by WYA.

To facilitate the registration and accreditation process, attendees are divided into two different categories, namely:

- **artists** (young students and professionals in the visual arts proposing their vision and submitting their piece of art that will be selected through a jury and exhibited for the forum audience – asked to submit applications before the **31th of May, 2016**)
- **participants** (art lovers and enthusiasts interested in exploring the idea of art and culture – asked to submit applications before the **10th of June, 2016**)

## To participate in our 2016 WYA European Arts Forum, simply:

- visit our webpage – [www.wya.net/eaf](http://www.wya.net/eaf)
- determine your registration category by choosing the right tab:
  1. Application for Artists ( if you are a young student or professional in the visual arts ready to exhibit your artwork for the forum's audience)



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2. Application for Participants (if you are a young art lover or just interested in exploring the idea of art and culture)

- download the application form for chosen category,
- submit your application by sending us completed application form at [europe@wya.net](mailto:europe@wya.net).

**Participation fee: 50 € for the whole duration of the Forum**

This includes the admission to all the sessions of the Forum, which range from an exhibition of the selected artworks with an award ceremony, lectures and panel discussions by expert speakers, negotiations of the declaration to be presented in the European Parliament, work on collaborative piece of art, evening cocktail to musical performances. The certificate of participation, Forum materials and brochures, meals for the whole event (starting on Saturday afternoon and ending with Monday afternoon), refreshments during the conference breaks are also included. In addition to this, artists will be provided an accommodation for the duration of the Forum.

The participation fee must be paid within 10 days after receiving the e-mail of acceptance. All payment details will be sent to you in the confirmation e-mail.

Young artists may apply for a discount on the participation fee. The approval will be granted on an individual case basis, and is dependent on the applicant's authentic need.

If you have any further questions, please contact us at [europe@wya.net](mailto:europe@wya.net).

To find out more about the European Arts Forum visit our [webpage](#).

We are looking forward to receiving your applications!

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