

## BRINGING CULTURE TO VILLAGE







May / June - August 2024

Lampinsaari

Vihanti, Finland

Enjoy the long summer days of north and get creative! In this project six (6) volunteers will work in the core activities of the local association. The project takes place in the small rural village of Lampinsaari in Northern Ostrobothnia, Finland. Lampinsaari attracts people with beautiful nature and tranquility.

Lampinsaari has a colorful history as a lively mining village. After the mine was closed in the 1990s, some villagers decided to stay and build new grounds for the community. A former school building has been transformed into a community centre that offers facilities for e.g. summer camps and leisure time activities. 'Gunnar's Mansion' was born.

The hosting organisation wants to provide services and activities, including a brand new festival, for the locals and visitors.

Volunteers' tasks include e.g.

- participating in planning and organisation of the new festival that will take place in July
- planning and developing camp centre's activities
- creating and implementing activities for local residents
- producing works of art/music/culture/handicrafts (depending on volunteers' own skills and interests)
- creating and producing media contents, especially for international audiences
- camp centre's general tasks

In the project, two volunteers will start the preparatory tasks e.g. for the festival and they'll be later joined by four volunteers. They all will then work together until the end of the project.

Time period for 2 volunteers: 6 May - 31 August 2024 (17 weeks) Time period for 4 volunteers: 24 June - 31 August (10 weeks)



## Training and support

Volunteers will participate in the on-arrival training. Volunteers will have Finnish language lessons if they want to.

Volunteers are guided to all tasks. The volunteer's personal skills or interests are considered and discussed before the project and an individual work plan is made for all volunteers.

### Accommodation and food

Volunteers will live in a house. Volunteers will have personal rooms and shared kitchen and bathroom. Volunteers will receive food money to prepare meals by themselves.

Mandatory costs are covered according to programme rules.

## Local transportation

The main work tasks take place within walking distance. Volunteers will have a possibility to use bikes. The will also be a possibility to borrow a car for longer distances. Train and bus stations with connections to other cities locate approx 10km away.

## Working hours:

Approx. 35 hours /week. Working days are usually from Monday to Friday, but sometimes working time can be also during weekends. The volunteers are entitled to have two consecutive free days per week and and two days of vacation per month.

## How and when to apply?

Send your CV and motivation letter to erja.simuna@nousevarannikkoseutu.fi Application deadline: 14 February 2024

## What happens then?

If we think you could be the volunteer we look for, we will contact you and agree a time for an interview. During the interview we discuss more about the project. The interviews take place on 26 - 27 February.

Need to know more: send email to erja.simuna@nousevarannikkoseutu.fi



# LEISURE ACTIVITIES FOR YOUTH



May 2 - August 31, 2024 Raahe, Finland

Enjoy the long summer days of north and be active with local youth! In this project two (2) volunteers will work in the small seaside town of Raahe (24 000 inhabitants). The town is surrounded by nature and it's history is rooted in the sailing ship era. The archipelago has become a popular destination.



Volunteers will participate in the activities of the local youth work: youth houses, clubs, trips, sports, nature activities etc.

Volunteers will also be planning and implementing events as well as working in the local children's traffic park. They will work together with local youth to create activities and increase involvement. Volunteers will also have an opportunity to carry out own ideas.





## Accommodation, food and transportation arrangements

Volunteers are accommodated in an apartment. Volunteers need to cook for themselves (food allowance and pocket money will be provided). Within the city the distances are short: main venues are mainly reachable by foot. If needed, other transportation is provided. Bus station with connections to other cities locate within walking distance.

Mandatory costs are covered according to programme rules.

## Training

The volunteers participate in an on-arrival training organized by the Finnish National agency. The volunteers can also get Finnish language lessons if they want.

Volunteers are guided to all tasks. The volunteer's personal skills or interests are considered and discussed before the project and an individual work plan is made for all volunteers.

## Volunteer profile

We would like to host active volunteers who are motivated to work with children and young people. Working hours change according to tasks, so volunteers need to be flexible. As the tasks include working with children, an extract of the criminal records is required.

## How and when to apply?

Send your CV and motivation letter to erja.simuna@nousevarannikkoseutu.fi Application deadline: 12 February 2024

## What happens then?

If we think you could be the volunteer we look for, we will contact you and agree a time for an interview. During the interview we discuss more about the project. The interviews take place on Friday 23 February 2024.

Need to know more: send email to erja.simuna@nousevarannikkoseutu.fi