

# Sustain**ART**ability

*August 26th - September 6th*

The ten-day art residency program involves a group of nine Latvian students and nine students from other European countries. **Project is jointly organized by EUNIC Latvia and the Art Academy of Latvia.** Students will work both individually and in small groups. During the residency participants will develop an art work and document their creative process inspired by relevant everyday issues of sustainable living. The results will be showcased to the public in a special exhibition.

The topic of sustainability is currently closely linked with activism, often involving public demonstrations, performances, posters, and slogans. In any struggle, opposing fronts emerge, each with their own beliefs and symbols. One of the oldest group symbols is the flag.

**As part of the project, participants will be in working on the exhibition "NO WHITE FLAGS".** The concept refers to the white flag as a sign of surrender, and in this case, its rejection. The starting point for each artist will be a white cotton fabric shaped like a flag (150 x 90 cm).

In order to develop their ideas, **participants will take part in workshops and lectures under the guidance of their mentors, Latvian artists Kristians Brekte and Ieva Stalšene.** The white flag will be transformed into a piece of art – an object, a painting, or an installation. The flag can be subjected to any manipulation: cutting, folding, painting, decorating, embroidering, writing, burning, etc.

## Results:

- **Group exhibition "NO WHITE FLAGS" (LV: Bez baltiem karogiem) at the AAL exhibition space "DUO" (Kronvalda bulvāris 4)**
- **Organized photo documentation of the process and the exhibition.**
- **Digital PDF brochure about the project's participants, process and creative results.**



# RESIDENCY PROGRAMME

**Locations:** **KB13** Art Academy of Latvia main building at Kalpaka bulvaris 13  
**KB4** Art Academy of Latvia building at Kronvalda bulvaris 4

<b>Date, Day of the week</b>	<b>Activity</b>
<b>25.08.24 (Sunday)</b>	Arrivals of participants Settling in the listed place of residence.
<b>26.08.24 (Monday)</b>	08:00 – 09:30 Breakfast at the place of residence. 10:00 – 10:40 Meeting with Project team. (KB13) 10:40 – 11:00 Introduction to the project schedule. (KB13) 11:00 – 12:00 “Team Spirit” activities 12:00 – 15:00 Presentations from professionals linked with sustainability issues. (3 speakers) (KB13) 14:00 – 15:30 Lunch break 15:30 – 18:30 Short introduction presentations from K.Brekte and I.Stalšene. Team building activities, group discussions. (KB4)
<b>27.08.24 (Tuesday)</b>	08:00 – 08:30 Breakfast at the place of residence. 09:00 – 12:00 Guest lecturer/workshop (Sabīne Šnē) (KB4) 12:30 – 14:00 Guest lecturer from France. 14:00 – 15:30 Lunch Break 15:30 – 18:00 Workshop (sketches) (KB4)
<b>28.08.24 (Wednesday)</b>	08:00 – 09:30 Breakfast at the place of residence. 10:00 – 14:00 Workshop sketches (KB4) 14:00 – 15:00 Lunch Break 15:00 – 18:00 Workshop - working in pairs, discussing ideas. (KB4)
<b>29.08.24 (Thursday)</b> Riga Art Day	08:00 – 10:00 Breakfast at the place of residence. 11:00 – 12:10 Exhibition visit (will be chosen based on current exhibitions) 12:30 – 14:00 Visiting KIM? 14:00 – 18:00 Lunch Break / Free time 18:00 – 21:30 Group visit of RLT gallery evening.
<b>30.08.24 (Friday)</b>	08:00 – 09:30 Breakfast at the place of residence. 10:00 – 12:00 Discussing sketches/conceptualizing. (KB4) 12:00 – 14:00 Workshop for group Artist Sustainability Statement. (Lead by Kārlis Vērdiņš) (KB4) 14:00 – 15:00 Lunch Break 15:00 – 18:00 Artist Sustainability Statment. Group work. (KB4)
<b>31.08.24 (Saturday)</b>	08:00 – 09:30 Breakfast at the place of residence. Exploration of Riga. Central Market, Galleries, Museums. Individual work. Access to Workshop space from 11:00 – 19:00 (KB4)

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<b>1.09.24 (Sunday)</b>	08:00 – 09:30 Breakfast at the place of residence. Exploration of Riga. By your choice: Robert's Books, Galleries, Museums. Individual work. Access to Workshop space from 11:00 – 19:00 (KB4)
<b>2.09.24 (Monday)</b>	08:00 – 08:30 Breakfast at the place of residence. 09:00 – 11:00 Putting together manifesto, deciding on pieces of art we create. (KB4) 11:00 – 13:00 Visit from guest artists (comment on the artworks) (KB4) <i>Guests: Sabīne Šnē, Madara Kvēpa, Miķelis Fišers, Gints Gabrāns.</i> 14:00 – 15:00 Lunch Break 15:00 – 18:00 Workshop (KB4)
<b>3.09.24 (Tuesday)</b>	08:00 – 09:30 Breakfast at the place of residence. 10:00 – 14:00 Workshop (KB4) 14:00 – 15:00 Lunch Break 15:00 – 18:00 Workshop (group discussion) (KB4) <i>At the evening: visit from project partners</i>
<b>4.09.24 (Wednesday)</b>	08:00 – 09:30 Breakfast at the place of residence. 10:00 – 14:00 Last touch to the artworks. Last details. (KB4) 14:00 – 15:00 Lunch Break 15:00 – Putting together the exhibition. (KB4)
<b>5.09.24 (Thursday)</b>	08:00 – 10:30 Breakfast at the place of residence. 12:00 – 15:00 Discussing the project. (informal atmosphere) (KB4) 18:00 Exhibition Opening at "DUO" art space AAL. (KB4)
<b>6.09.24 (Friday)</b>	08:00 – 10:30 Breakfast at the place of residence. 12:00 – 14:00 "Exhibition presentation" lunch for special guests. (KB4) 14:00 – 17:30 Lunch break and free time. 18:00 Visiting opening of exhibition SurvivalKit15
<b>7.09.24 (Saturday)</b>	Departure day