

VSI MEDA PROJECT



“MEDA PROJECT” is the first and only one institution in Lithuania which is performing educational, social, cultural, therapeutic and rehabilitation activity by globally unique Ebru art – painting on the water technique. The main aim of their activity is that Ebru art therapy could help and achieve every single child in Lithuania, doesn't matter of his family's social status.

Ebru art as a therapeutic and educational tool we have applied in:

- education and training sectors. For the fourth years in Lithuania implementing social non-formal education project "Ebru Art - painting on the water";
- medical institutions. We work with medical institutions, rehabilitations centers; we apply Ebru art therapy for the children and adults with disabilities and cancer;
- self-expression. We organize artistic expression studio in summer time in Vilnius, Kaunas, Klaipeda, Smiltyne, Druskininkai, also day camps and individual week camp for children aged 6-14 years in Neringa;
- events. In Lithuania a third year in a row on June 1, it is organized a travelling Republican social event which is called "A Colorful Hope". We apply Ebru art technology with a pleasure to various town festivals, bands, presentations, community meetings, corporate events, seminars for teachers, nannies, students, family celebrations (birthdays, christenings, hen parties, class meetings), and others;
- social projects. Existing social action "For the colorful and fair childhood". This social project that has been going on for four years, we are always looking for partners, volunteers, sponsors.

Proposed activities:

Volunteer would be able to choose activities which are relevant and interesting to him/her from the followings:

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Volunteers would be introduced with Ebru art-painting on water technologies and psychosocial consulting basic. They would be able to organize events by themselves or together with the team in Kaunas or whole Lithuania context, in this way, learning organizing skills. They could also help to prepare project for local and international initiatives for prevention from crimes, drugs, or behaviour troubles within the families. This would lead to better understanding of current situation in Lithuania and learn how to work in difficult situations.



Volunteer profile: the most important thing is that volunteer would be motivated, communicative, open to learning new things, new languages, new skills. The experience in organizing the events or working in community or volunteering would be the advantage. Moreover, volunteer should be tolerant to variety of people

About Kaunas:

Geographically Kaunas is the second largest city in Lithuania and the fourth in the Baltic States. It is 100 km away from the capital Vilnius. The population in Kaunas is near 300 000 inhabitants. The most interesting things about Kaunas are that it is resting at the confluence of country's two largest rivers in Lithuania, Neris and Nemunas. Kaunas lagoon is the largest body of water in Lithuania. Kaunas was a temporary capital of Lithuania between the world wars, and it is still one of the cultural and economical centers. There're 8 universities, variety of museums in Kaunas. Thus Kaunas is always full of culture, youth and action.



In Kaunas old town and new town you will find a variety of café's, restaurants, pubs and clubs. There are parks and open squares where people can gather and have picnics, sport activities or just sit around and relax. Everything in Kaunas city is relatively close, around 20-30 km in radius from the city center, so it's very comfortable distances. Universities and non-formal groups propose various after studies activities or clubs, which people from foreign countries, are also welcomed to join in.

During the year Kaunas is a home to a variety of festivals, including famous summer time Pažaislis Music festival, Kaunas Jazz festival (at the end of April/ beginning of May) and International Modern Dance Festival (at the beginning of October). All year round in Kaunas one will have an opportunity to see some annual cultural events like Kaziukas Fair (at the beginning of March), Days of Kaunas city (in the middle of May), International auto-motto fan fiesta Bike Show Millennium attracts huge amount of bikers and their bikes in the middle of June, Operetta in Kaunas Castle (at the end of June and the beginning of July) or traditional folk music competition. Kaunas is proud of being the only city in Lithuania that belongs to



the international towns' union The New Hansa. Every year, Kaunas presents itself at the annual event of the union International Hansa Days by introducing the heritage of cuisine, folk art, medieval music and theatre; Hansa Kaunas festival is usually held in the last decade of August. Also movie, art and music festivals, Spring Poetry festival, Kaunas Photo festival, Kaunas Biennale and many more take place in Kaunas.