

# JOURNEYS

## Refugee Journeys International

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### Objectives:

- \* To help refugees and migrants to socialise and express themselves without necessarily speaking the host country language
- \* To give EU citizens the opportunity to discover, learn from and understand the values and cultures of refugees and migrants and rediscover and enrich their own
- \* To offer the possibility of collaboration with organisations in other sectors in order to stimulate a more comprehensive, rapid, effective and long-term response to this global challenge

### Activities:

- \* Directly engaging and involving refugees and asylum seekers in each of the locations in the creation of artistic works for presentation in the project (Container Theatre/Film)
- \* Comprehensively championing the project activity to refugee and asylum seeker groups in order to involve people as audiences and as contributors to debate in the press and media and in seminar delivery. This contributes to ongoing cultural audience development in each location
- \* Substantially raising the profile of the refugee experience through the presentation of artwork in accessible, highly visible and high profile locations, with work that will touch, intrigue, inspire and challenge a broad cross section of the local population
- \* Showcasing and co-creation of cultural and/or audiovisual works across Europe
- \* Identifying refugee artists to support and commission through the project, enabling distilled experiences to be shared through art and the effective expression of different refugee perspectives and experiences

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### Results:

- \* Journeys Festival International will be implemented in Leicester, Manchester, Portsmouth (UK) with the JOURNEYS project hosting strands of activity in Rome, Hamburg, Palermo
- \* Short films and/or short new theatre pieces reflecting and sharing their experiences (experiences of their different home cultures, of strife, journeys or resettling)
- \* Seminar event/conversation with local community to reflect, to share, to support refugees interaction

### Partners:

- \* Coordinator: ArtReach (United Kingdom)
- \* The Hamburg Altonale (Germany)
- \* Explora (Italy)
- \* CESIE (Italy)

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