

1. Host Organization: **Asociación ILER, CREATECTURA**

Duration: **8 months**

Place: **Santander, Spain**

Coordinating Organization **Asociación Ser Joven**

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**Tasks and activities:**

Volunteers are involved in the daily development of Createctura activities always accompanying a workshop leader. They perform the common tasks of mounting and dismounting the workshop materials and the development and management of artistic and learning material.

During the workshop, their task is to support children and families under the tutelage of the workshop leader in charge of the activity.

They will also collaborate in assembling art installations, educational spaces, transforming classrooms or other spaces in schools or other specific projects that arise during their stay. Volunteers involved would have a living experience involved in the daily development of our project and it will be complemented with specific practical or theoretical training ensured by the project coordinator.

**Activities of the Host Organization:**

ILER (Innovative Learning Environments Research) Pedagogic Association is an organization dedicated to the creation of pedagogical and artistic spaces that promote the natural and creative learning for children and adults.

At this moment ILER Association is developing 4 projects in the following areas:

1. Project CREATECTURA regular family and school workshops.

We are currently working on two main topics: Music and Movement and Integrated Arts and Design. At this moment we conduct 12 groups involving more than 200 people: children (age 1-12 years old) with adult parents, family members or caretakers.

## 2. Project CREATECTURA in schools.

Temporary and regular workshops for schools in already mentioned pedagogical areas and also in the area of science and technology (tinkering). The workshops take place both in the youth centers/ schools and in our headquarters in Pronillo Enclave and Castro Urdiales.

## 3. Training and support for teachers.

We conduct training and consulting for schools and teaching centers in the field of space design, innovation, teaching methodology, training in music education, creative development, etc.

## 4. Creating educational and artistic spaces, with the E-Zeta project.

We create progressive art spaces that are constructed and developed through the participation of children and adults, as well as interactive and pedagogical spaces, where children can experiment with their own art installations.

### **Occasional Activities at ASOCIACIÓN SER JOVEN:**

Different activities in the field of organizing free time educative activities for youth and information and promotion of ESC program, workshops, alternative educative night activities ("La Noche es Joven" in Santander), summer camps, work camps, awareness-raising campaigns and other educative activities, talks and seminars disseminating European Solidarity Corps, European activities, ESC blog writing and promotion.

Volunteers will have a chance to participate to make a plan, carrying out an evaluation of some of the activities or (in some cases) support in the preparation and practical arrangements of the place where different activities and workshops take place.

### **Practical Arrangements:**

Accommodation (shared flat AND SHARED ROOM), local transportation (travel card), monthly pocket money (150 euro), Spanish training course for foreigners, food money (150), mentor, an opportunity to carry out a personal project, international work team.

### **Learning opportunities and Training:**

\*At the beginning of the activity, all volunteers are offered a special training course run by professionals from ILER Association, in which they learn all essentials about volunteering at ILER and the existing projects.

\* Training about Asociación Ser Joven, aims, programmes.

### **Candidate's Profile:**

In order to create an intercultural environment, our intention is to host volunteers, whose countries of origin are different, or at least whose mother tongue is different, to facilitate communication in Spanish and enrich the project in general.

The candidate should be a person especially motivated by the type of work carried out in Createctura project and other educational projects of ILER Association, a creative person who enjoys art and likes to spend time with children and families, a person who is PATIENT to

WORK CREATING ART INSTALLATIONS and preparing MATERIAL, which may be a TIME CONSUMING activity, a proactive person with initiative and eager to learn.

The activities carried out by our association are very diverse and a lot of them do not require specific knowledge or skills, only motivation and desire. Therefore we can host volunteers with very different profiles as long as they are motivated and willing to fulfil the tasks to be performed and who enjoy assembly of spaces, arts and children.

The project might be especially interesting, however for:

- People interested in teacher training (future teachers, educators, etc.) wanting to work and be trained in the area of arts and creative development.
- People interested in art (future designers, architects, artists, musicians, etc.) willing to work and be trained in the field of education.

## 2. Host Organization: **ONCE Cantabria**

Duration: **8 months**

Place: **Santander, Spain**

Coordinating Organization **Asociación Ser Joven**

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### **Tasks and activities at ONCE:**

Accompaniment to visually impaired people in order to help them in administrative tasks, like going to a bank, visiting a doctor, running errands and so on as well as helping them to participate in the activities organized by the ONCE organization (accompaniment from their houses to ONCE headquarters and vice-versa and support in ONCE workshops: ceramics, theatre, book reading..., accompaniment during sightseeing excursions or hiking, accompaniment to events, shows and celebrations...)

### **Occasional Activities at ASOCIACIÓN SER JOVEN:**

Different activities in the field of organizing free time educative activities for youth and information and promotion of ESC Programme, workshops, alternative educative night activities ("La Noche es Joven" in Santander), summer camps, work camps, awareness-raising campaigns and other educative activities, talks and seminars disseminating European Solidarity Corps, European activities, ESC blog writing and promotion.

Volunteers will have a chance to participate to make a plan, carrying out an evaluation of some of the activities or (in some cases) support in the preparation and practical arrangements of the place where different activities and workshops take place.

### **Practical Arrangements:**

Accommodation (shared room in a shared flat with other ESC volunteers) with internet WIFI, local transportation (travel card), monthly pocket money (150 euro). Online Spanish Language Course for foreigners, food money (150), a mentor, an opportunity to carry out a personal project.

### **Learning opportunities and Training:**

\* At the beginning of the activity, all volunteers are offered a special training course by specialists in the rehabilitation of ONCE members with recent visual impairment, in which they learn:

- the history aims and functioning of ONCE as an institution and different services it offers,
- the meaning and importance of voluntary work;
- relation with people with blindness and visual impairment;
- techniques of accompaniment to people with visual impairment;
- types of visual impairments.

Apart from that, volunteers have the opportunity to participate in workshops for blind people (literature, pottery, theatre, etc...) and in all the cultural events organized by ONCE.

\* Training about Asociación Ser Joven, aims, programmes.

### **Candidate's Profile:**

- motivated, whose physical and mental condition is compatible with project duties; i.e. a person with no mobility problems and motivated enough (sometimes, the Project activities can seem routine),
- flexible (the activities have no fixed timetable, as they mostly depend on the needs of ONCE members),
- able to motivate a person with visual impairment to go out and enrich their social life.
- ready to live in a shared room with another European volunteer.
- basic level of Spanish is an asset
- previous experience with people at risk of social exclusion or experience as an animator or youth leader, as well as having worked with the elderly, is welcome (however not necessary).

3. Host Organization: **AMPROS (Cantabrian Association for Persons with Mental Disabilities)**

Duration: **8 months**

Place: **Santander, Spain**

Coordinating Organization **Asociación Ser Joven**

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**Tasks and activities:**

Volunteers will accompany the users during different free time daily activities scheduled by the centre, like: zumba, Internet, games, regional dances, cooking workshop, karaoke, sports activities, gymnastics, hand crafts, theatre. Volunteer's daily activities will take place from **Monday to Friday** in the afternoon between **16.00 and 21.00**.

Moreover, volunteers will help to organize special activities like Winter Festival, San Valentine's Day, Holiday Programme, Summer Camps, weekend activities in a hostel, sports events, festivals to celebrate Cantabria Day, seminars and trainings about volunteering, as well as other occasional events, which are carried out by AMPROS in collaboration with other organizations or training centres (like, for example Asociación Ser Joven, where volunteers will help with workshops, alternative educative night activities, like "La Noche es Joven" in Santander, summer camps, work camps, awareness raising campaigns and other educative activities, talks and seminars disseminating ESC, European activities, ESC blog writing and promotion ) allowing volunteers' personal and professional development in a wider area of activities. All of the mentioned activities allow volunteers to contribute with their experience, ideas and creativity.

**Practical Arrangements:**

Accommodation (shared room in a shared flat with other ESC volunteers) with internet WIFI, local transportation (travel card), monthly pocket money (150 euro). Online Spanish Language Course for foreigners, food

money (150), a mentor, an opportunity to carry out a personal project.

**Learning opportunities and Training:**

\* At the beginning of the activity, all volunteers are offered a special training course run by professionals working at AMPROS, in which they learn:

- the history, aims and functioning of AMPROS as an institution and different services it offers, the meaning and importance of voluntary work;
- relation with people with mental disabilities;
- techniques of accompaniment to people with mental disabilities;
- types of disabilities and diseases.

\* Training about Asociación Ser Joven, aims, programmes.

**Candidate's Profile:**

Any person who is ready to devote their free time in the benefit of the persons with mental disabilities in an altruist way and whose physical and mental condition is compatible with project duties; i.e. a person with no mobility problems and motivated enough (sometimes, the project activities can seem routine), flexible, able to motivate a person with mental disability to participate in the activity. Moreover, the volunteer should be ready to live in a **shared room** with other European volunteer.