



Responsibilities of the Timișoara 2023 Curatorial Team

The Timișoara 2023 Curatorial Team is a unitary collective responsible, on behalf of the Timișoara Municipality, for the artistic coherence and strategic coordination of the “Timișoara 2023 - European Capital of Culture” Programme.

- Adapting, in a realistic and innovative way, the “Timișoara 2023 - European Capital of Culture” programme to the pandemic context and to the new year of title bestowment, based on the Timișoara bidbook. Another starting point is all that has been accomplished in the 2017-2021 period, and what can be continued further by analyzing the current challenges and opportunities together with the public funding authorities.

The adaptation process will be the result of a dialogue with the cultural operators which are part of the cultural program and also with new cultural operators, as well as with a series of other organisations, institutions and interested public authorities.

- Developing and implementing a mechanism for extending the involvement of institutions and cultural operators in the “Timișoara 2023 - European Capital of Culture” programme through open calls for its completion and/or consolidation, on the level of its general concept, as well as on the levels of specific concepts per Territory, Station or Trace, by reference to the dimensions and to the strategic objectives that have been assumed and by collaboration with the public funding authorities.

Collaboration mechanisms between the public and private sector, or between state cultural institutions and independent ones will need to be prioritized, as well as encouraging innovative approaches to the role of culture in city life. The curatorial team will be responsible for the development of open calls and their mechanisms, objectives, domains, partnerships, funding limits, criteria and evaluation methods.

- Coordinating the development and implementation of the “Timișoara 2023 - European Capital of Culture” programme in the 2022 - 2024 period, in a coherent and integrating way, in accord with its dimensions and strategic objectives, by working together and regularly with the organisers and their implementation partners, on dimensions regarding concept and artistic vision, European aspect, new European and international partnerships and audience growth.

There will be regular work sessions of the Curatorial Team with the partners involved, on the level of Territory, Station and Trails (according to the concepts from the bidbook), as well as on the level of the “Timișoara 2023 - European Capital of Culture” Programme. Also, the members of the curatorial team, according to their needs, will collaborate constantly with the partners of the program on key components like: marketing and cultural communication, cultural planning



and production competence consolidation, education and cultural mediation, construction and engagement of communities.

- The coordination of the process of harmonizing the calendar with the locations for large-scale official events of the “Timișoara 2023 - European Capital of Culture” Programme.
- Developing strategic directions connected to the evolution of the “Timișoara 2023 - European Capital of Culture” Programme on transversal components regarding partnership and network development, consolidation of cultural competences, audience growth, monitorization and evaluation, fundraising and fund accessing, marketing and communication.
- Taking part in semestrial meetings for presenting the progress regarding the development and implementation of the “Timișoara 2023 - European Capital of Culture” Programme.
- Taking part in trimestrial meetings with the representatives of the main public funding authorities and with representatives of the European Commission, of the strategic partners on themes like education, tourism, local economy, private and European funding, or of past, present or future European Capitals of Culture;
- Direct involvement in dissemination activities of the “Timișoara 2023 - European Capital of Culture” Programme, as well as different activities and events dedicated to its consolidation, according to the agreed upon calendar;
- Participation to the regular meetings with representatives of the media on local and international levels (a minimum of 4 meetings per year for each of the members of the curatorial team);
- Taking part in the communal work meetings of the curatorial team;
- Constant collaboration with the manager of the “Timișoara 2023 - European Capital of Culture” Programme, who will be appointed from the team of the Timișoara Project Centre and who will be responsible for the general coordination and for the correlation of the curatorial team with the activity of the specialized teams of the main public funding authorities, as well as with other organisations, institutions and public authorities interested in contributing to the success of the “Timișoara 2023 - European Capital of Culture” Programme.