



CARE Festival
Cyprus Arts and Education Festival
6-8 October 2023
Larnaka

OPEN CALL - Invitation to Submit Proposals

The Cyprus Arts and Education (CARE) festival invites professional artists and companies in Larnaka and involved in art for children and youth to apply through the form below.

What is CARE festival?

CARE is the festival that cares about the future. That is why it focuses on art for children and young people. It is an initiative of Larnaka 2030 - European Capital of Culture, Candidate City, which aspires to become a stable cultural institution of the city. The idea and need for the festival emerged through a public consultation process initiated by Larnaka 2030 involving the artistic community of the city, in view of claiming the title of the European Capital of Culture, and in particular through the thematic working Group "Art for Children and Youth".

The festival aims to make Larnaka a point of meeting, dialogue and exchange between the artists involved in art for children and young people on the one hand, and the educational community on the other. To achieve this, CARE will invite the entire educational community (teachers, professors, parents associations) to attend performances/art projects addressing schools and meet their creators in person, in order to establish direct partnerships with them. In this way, CARE is actively promoting creators involved in art for children and young people.

From 6 to 8 October 2023, CARE festival will host theatrical and music performances/art projects aimed at schools, suitcase theatre and workshops from all forms of art aimed at schools and other educational structures as well as a series of discussions on the subject of Art in Education. Also, within the framework of the festival, the CARE Fair will operate as a networking space between the artists and the educational community, in which the participants will have the opportunity to present their activity at their stall.

Participation Criteria

- The festival is exclusively addressed to professional artists and companies. Applications from amateur groups **will not** be accepted.
- **Priority will be given** to artists and groups who live permanently or come from Larnaka. However, applications from artists/groups who live outside of Larnaka will also be accepted for evaluation.
- The festival will accept only performances/art projects aimed at children and young people. The terms "performances/art projects" means theatrical and music performances, dance performances, cross-sectional and suitcase theatre, storytelling, workshops and educational activities of any forms of art and addressed to schools or other educational institutions.
- The proposed projects can be presented in any language, while emphasis will be given to projects that encourage access for persons with disabilities.
- Each applicant (individual or group) may submit a maximum of two applications.
- Applicants can be involved in as individual artists in other applications.
- Applications may concern existing performances/art projects and/or projects under construction.

Financial Terms

- The CARE festival offers all participating artists a free space (Larnaka Municipal Theater and adjacent spaces) for the rehearsal, set-up and presentation of their work as well as technical support (technical staff, basic lights, sound).
- The performances/art projects will be ticketed. Each cast-artistic team/individual will receive the receipts from their performance, after relevant deductions are applied (tax). Moreover, each group should provide the festival with a number of invitations. The exact number of invitations will be determined by the type of performance/project combined with the capacity of the venue.

Proposal Submission

Interested artists and groups should submit:

- The completed proposal submission form.
- In case you wish to submit more than one performance/art project, you must submit a separate proposal for each performance/art project.
- Detailed Technical Rider of the performance/art project
- Portfolio of the artist/group and resumes of the cast/artistic team.
- Audio-visual material of the performance/art project in the case of existing projects / indicative audio-visual material from previous performances/art projects in case the proposal concerns a project under construction.



- The CARE festival programme is curated by Larnaka 2030 in collaboration with the thematic working group "Art for Children and Youth".
- Applicants will be notified of the outcome of their application by 31 August 2023.

Deadline for submission of participation applications

Monday, 31 July 2023

Application Form

<https://forms.gle/zTYnvyCUZTpord7DA>

For more information, please contact carefestival.larnaka@gmail.com