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WORKCAMPS IN SERBIA 2023



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Voluntary Service of Serbia





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- workcamps after a break with international volunteers
- 13 workcamps we can confirm, possibility of more
- more flexibility in the dates, one to two week workcamps
- no participation fee
- greater diversity of projects on environmental protection, preservation, archeology, youth participation social inclusion
- reservations are open
- exchange through PLATO

if you are interested in our workcamps, find Aleks somewhere in Riga :)



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VSS01 Totos' village story

Toto's village although small, hides a big park filled with statues and replicas of the Danube river where volunteers will be working.


Renovating the park, planting an alley of flowers, and renovating some parts of the local history museum will be their main task, while getting to know the place and the culture of this Serbian village where the majority is composed of Hungarian families will be the second. If time allows there will be a space to create new totems and put them in the park.

They will sleep in the local bed & breakfast with sheets provided while the local kitchen will be used to prepare meals.

 14.6. – 28.6

 10 pax

 AGRI, RENO, MANU

 **Totovo selo, Subotica**
(close to the Hungarian border)



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VSS02 Nature & wellbeing

Researchers club "Vladimir M.Manda" is eager to involve young people from all over the world in a lively debate about the participation of youth in activities specifically related to environment protection.

Work will include mountain trails clean up, as well as some conservation work while the days will be filled with workshops on debating and participation. Participants will have the possibility of creating posters and involve the local youth to join them.

They will sleep in tents that will be provided for them as well as the food that the group will cook together.

 24.6. – 1.7.

 10 pax

 RENO

 **Divcibare mountain**
(Western Serbia)



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VSS03 Oasis in Golubinci

""Living together" group is founded by parents with children in a situation of mental disability. They exist for over 25 years, and have a great experience working with the children. Volunteers will work in the "Oasis" on everyday activities with the users of the house.


Main activities will include: gardening, collection of fruits and vegetables, working with animals, spending time with the users and visiting local families in need.

Free time will be partly organized to spend together with the users of the center where they can play outdoor sports, table tennis, bowling.. They will be accommodated in the center in rooms of two or three and there are several kitchens where they will cook together with the workers.

 **03.7. – 16.7.**

 **10 pax**

 **AGRI, SOCI, ENVI**

 **Golubinci, Stara Pazova**
(50 km north-west of Belgrade)



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VSS04 Summer stage Gnezdo

Fakiri sa juga is an enthusiastic group of young people transforming a suburban youth center into THE place to be during the summer for young people in Krusevac .
 In previous workcamps volunteers renovated the house and painted the space of a former local football club.

The idea for this year is to build a stage that can host artists and exhibitions during the summer and volunteers will assist in the building process. There will be some renovation work as well. They will sleep in the spaces of the cultural center with sleeping bags and solar shower. Food is provided and they will prepare their own meals with assistance from local volunteers.

 **5.7. – 15.7.**

 **7 pax**

 **CONS, CULT, FEST**

 **Krusevac**



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VSS05 CzECO Village

Yes, you read it well, we have a Czech village in Serbia and they want to host interested volunteers in their Eco project.

Project activities are divided so they would clean up the local fields in the village as well as collect any trash that has been thrown out, while they will also be included in the renovation of the local fire truck.

Volunteers will have an opportunity to learn more about the local costumes of a minority group that is located in the village and also visit nearby towns, swim in the Belockrvanska lakes, etc.

They will sleep in the cultural center space, they have to bring sleeping bags and food is provided, they will prepare the meals.

 **22.7. – 31.7.**

 **9 pax**

 **ENVI, MANU, RENO**

 **Czech village, Bela Crkva**
(north-east, close to Romanian border)



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VSS06 Stories by the lake

Second oldest workcamp in YRS focuses on the nature protected reserve "Kraljevac" and what it has to offer to the locals and visitors. It is located right next to Deliblato sands, the largest sand area in Europe.

During the day, volunteers will work on the path next to the lake; fixing the benches and other equipment; cleaning up the bank of the lake as well as setting up a fishing place. They will participate in educational workshops with local children.

During leisure hours volunteers will have a chance to go on boat rides get to know surrounding nature.

Volunteers will sleep in the hostel of the research facility and they will cook the food provided by the host.



22.7. – 04.8.



10 pax



ENVI, MANU, EDUC



Deliblato
(50 kilometers from Belgrade)



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VSS07 MOSHORIN RESTAURATION

Fine arts and crafts club exist for many years in this small village and its focus is mainly on the traditional construction techniques involving mud and wood.

Volunteers will be involved in reconstruction of the objects in the assosiation using traditional building as well as making objects from mud. They will have an opportunity to learn more in educational workshops.

Volunteers will sleep in their own tents and sleeping bags. Food will be jointly prepared by the group.

 29.7. – 6.8.

 10 pax

 RENO

 **Mosorin, Titel**
(50km from Belgrade)



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VSS08 Topli Do Fest

"Free mountains and rivers festival is a tradition for the people in the small village of Topli Do. You will definitely be a part of history that fought for their nature in this area.

Work will be divided into marking of two paths that lead up to the highest point of Stara planina mountain as well as the local natural swimming pool "Zenski vir". Second part will be the support of organizing the festival for nature lovers - setting up the stage, info counters and benches while on the day of the festival, volunteers will support the workers in handing out flyers and the production.

They will sleep in the local workers hut in two four bed bedrooms and food will be prepared for the volunteers from the local farm.

 12.8. - 21.8.

 8 pax

 FEST, MANU

 **Topli do, Piro**
(south east Serbia)



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VSS09 Fun in the mud

Build a mud quarter on the Vlasina lake! This small mud huts will serve students and researchers in their field work and volunteers could learn about the traditional building techniques that involve mud.

As they will work with the researchers, they will be involved in both construction and field work so they will have a chance to explore the wilderness and learn many new things about the biodiversity in the picturesque surroundings.

Volunteers will sleep in the mountain home nearby and they will cook the food that's provided for them.

 14 days TBC

 14 pax

 **CONS,ENVI,RENO**

 **Surdulica**
(south east Serbia))



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VSS10 Birds ELDORADO

This is the 24th year that this camp has been active in YRS and the long-lasting tradition speaks to itself. After 20 years we spotted the Glossy Ibis, bird that is so important to this wetland area. It is one of the few places in Europe where you can see it and volunteers help to maintain the area.

The work consists of cleaning out invasive species and bushes while clearing up the wetland soil that enables it to be inhabited. During the workcamp, the participants will have educational workshops on preservation of wetlands and their role in the ecosystem.

Volunteers will sleep in an etno house near the wetlands and prepare food that's provided from the local suppliers.

 13.8. – 26.8.

 6 pax

 ENVI, EDUC, STUD

 **Obedska bara, Kupinovo**
(30 kilometers from Belgrade)



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VSSII Everything GARDEN

Association "Garden can do anything" has been founded in order to make the lives of children with cancer easier. They have an enormous garden where they grow vegetables to give to the houses where children stay during their treatments near the hospitals.

The activities will mainly focus on the garden, planting, watering and picking while the volunteers will also have a chance to participate in the food donations and visits. Its truly heartwarming work.

They will have a chance to explore the beautiful surroundings. They will sleep in tents provided by the association and there is a fully equipped kitchen for the volunteers to prepare the food!

 **10 days, July TBC**

 **7 pax**

 **SOCI,AGRI,MANU**

 **Valjevaska kamenica**
(50 kilometers from Belgrade)



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VSS12 Archeofun I

XIV century fortress close to Belgrade awaits volunteers to find out the mysterious building in the Vojvodina planes.

Volunteers will work on the conservation of the fortress together with the archeologist as well as some digging work. Also, they will participate in the cleaning of the surrounding areas from invasive plants and trash.

Group will sleep in an etno house close to the fortress in bunk beds. The food will be provided, while the group will be in charge of the meal prep.

 3.9. – 16.9.

 6 pax

 ARCH, EDUC, STUD

 **Kupinovo**
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VSS13

Archeofun II

XIV century fortress close to Belgrade awaits volunteers to find out the mysterious building in the Vojvodina planes.

Volunteers will work on the conservation of the fortress together with the archeologist as well as some digging work. Also, they will participate in the cleaning of the surrounding areas from invasive plants and trash.

Group will sleep in an etno house close to the fortress in bunk beds. The food will be provided, while the group will be in charge of the meal prep.



18.9. – 30.9.



6 pax



ARCH, EDUC, STUD



Kupinovo
(30 kilometers from Belgrade)



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