

29 August - 7 September

LOCATIONS

- 1. Central Hub: MKC Youth Cultural Center, Skopje
- 2. Various locations around the City of Skopje

COLLABORATORS

Urban Think Tank - Zurich ProstoRož – Ljubljana Smarter Than Car - Vienna Studio Tom Emmerson – London, Zurich

SCAPES:LAB - Novi Sad

KAF - Kosovo Architecture Foundation - Pristina

Tiiiit! Inc. - Skopje

NaTochak - Skopje ESRA – European Film Academy – Paris, Skopje, New York

IZLEZ - Skopje Theatra – Skopje

SAM - Skate Association of Macedonia

FRIK - Skopje

RADiUs Architects - Skopje

CAC - The Contemporary Art Center - Skopje MOF - Youth Educational Forum - Skopje

ACSC - Autonomous Cultural and Social Center - Skopje

OVERVIEW

SKOPJE CREATIVE HUB (SCH2014) is a 10 day long creative festival which focuses on developing interventions that promote alternative use of public space. SCH2014 has paired international and local young creative professionals to run workshops together with groups of students. The invited thinkers, activists and theorists will provide a critical discourse on city space through a series of public discussions. SCH2014 is intended to grow into a network of creative professionals and a reservoir of fresh ideas on urbanity with a shared knowledge database. SCH2014 is a platform where young creative minds meet>collaborate>create>act.

What can we learn from Skopje's urban peculiarities?

Our work will focus on generating practical, and impactful answers to the pressing questions:

What can we offer as young creatives?



We strongly believe that there is a vast creative potential in the city from which both the citizens and the international participants of the SCH2014 will benefit. There is a lot of untapped creativity in the arts and culture sectors, especially among diverse creative disciplines: young and established! Our international experience is mainly on initiatives in public spaces and we believe that Skopje is in dire need of such actions that promote alternative use and citizen participation. An international group of creative minds will bring fresh ideas and activate the public space in cooperation with the local citizens of Skopje. After the devastating earthquake of 1963, the United Nations sponsored and mediated the rebuilding process of Skopje, which became a small U.N. on its own right. The most influential creative minds of that time like Kenzo Tange, Arata Isozaki, Constantinos Doxiadis, Van der Broek and Bakema etc. were drawing and building the future blueprint of the city. Skopje became a melting pot of ideas and this fact is now by-large forgotten. Why did this happen? We would like to work together on reigniting this idea and vision for the city; together with the city and its people. The Hub will host the most relevant architects, designers, artists, photographers, thinkers, activists and academics. The Skopje Creative Hub will re-establish Skopje as a capital of creativity.

1. Workshops - total of 5 groups that will design and produce urban interventions in public space. Each group has 10-15 international students, of different creative disciplines, who will be guided by tutors.

- **FORMAT**
- 2. Discussions series of public debates on activating, performing and experimenting with public spaces. We invited guests from Macedonia, the region and Europe.
- 3. Parallel program performances, one day actions, theatre plays, exhibitions, presentations by local artists and activists, concerts, DJ's etc.
- WORKSHOP GROUPS

1. OPEN STAGE FOR PUBLIC CONTENT Zimonjić Nemanja - Studio Tom Emerson (London, Zurich);

RADiUs Architects (Skopje); Elena Dinovska (Skopje)

2. TEST FOR BICYCLE URBANISM ON ONE STREET SEGMENT Florian Lorenz - Smarter Than Car (Vienna); NaTochak (Skopje)

4. PUBLIC PLAYGROUNDS ProstoRož (Ljubljana); Ivana Kostovska (Skopje); Velimir Zernovski (Skopje)

3. REACTIVATE COMMON SPACE - INTERDISCIPLINARY RESEARCH Haris Piplas - Urban Think Tank (ETH, Zurich); SCAPES:LAB (Novi Sad)

5. INSTRUCTIONAL GRAPHIC DESIGN - FOR AND FROM THE CITY Neda Firfova (Skopje, Tokyo)

DISCUSSION - GUESTS Prof. Philip Ursprung (gta/ETH Zurich)

Prof. Mechtild Widrich Dubravka Sekulić

Nemanja Zimonjic Florian Lorenz Bekim Ramku

Theatra – The Sound of Cracking Bones, Theatre play

Prof. Alfredo Brillembourg (Urban Think Tank, Caracas) Prof. Tadej Glažar (Architecture Faculty Ljubljana) Prof. Lieven de Cauter (University of Lueven)

Haris Piplas Marko Icev

PARALLEL PROGRAM

SAM, Skate Association of Macedonia Marta Mojsova, Reuse design

Zelenata Arka, Urban agriculture

Wake Yakuza (Athens), Graffiti art

FRIK, Visual art, music, performance

NaTochak, Bicycle act ESRA, Video documentation and editing of the festival IZLEZ, Student group presentation

Woman Warrior Park - Looking Forward to the Past, Samia Henni (ETH Zurich) and Tiiit Inc. (Skopje)

MOF, Youth Educational Forum ACSC, Autonomous Cultural and Social Center - Skopje

All results from the festival will be published in a **book** and **online at www.citycreative.net**. SCH2014 will be part of the BIO 50 - Biennial for industrial Design in Ljubljana, one of the oldest and most important biennials of this kind in Europe.

CAC, The Contemporary Art Center Skopje - Mobile gallery project

DURATION The program will run for ten days from 29th August - 7th September 2014.

Friday, 29th August - gathering, guided tour around Skopje and kick-off SCH2014 Saturday, 30th August / 6th September - the creative festival Sunday, 7th September - presenting of the results of SCH2014

Enthusiastic students, bachelor degree holders and currently enrolled in a masters program in Architecture, Design, Art or Other creative field. A balanced group of 30 Local and 30 International students will be selected. Applicants should have a strong interest in sustainable urban development and cross disciplinary collaborative approach.

obligatory.

WHO SHOULD APPLY?

PUBLICATION

APPLICATIONS

part in. Multiple choices are accepted as well. Notification for admission is by August 16th. Please note that due to

organizational reasons the call will be closed as soon as the total number of empty slots for participants has been filled. **FEES**

applications@citycreative.net. Please choose the number of the corresponding workshop group that you want to take

Please submit your applications including CV and portfolio as single PDF format no later then August 15th to:

They should be able to demonstrate their academic strength, motivation, interest and expertise. Knowledge of English is

Group A: 90€; Group B: 60€; Macedonia: 30€ Andorra, Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Monaco,

Participation fees for the SKOPJE CREATIVE HUB 2014 are:

Netherlands, Norway, San Marino, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Estonia, Greece, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Portugal, Slovakia, Slovenia, Turkey.

Group B: Albania, Belarus, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Kosovo, Moldova, Montenegro, Romania, Russia, Serbia, Ukraine.

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