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| ***Short description of the project (around 300 words)***  Truc sphérique is NGO operating a cultural venue Stanica based in the building of still functioning train station and art space Nová synagóga in the former neologue synagogue in the city center.  The general public knows us as cultural node Stanica Žilina-Záriečie. In this still functioning train station we have been realizing more than 15 years all kinds of cultural events (concerts, theater and dance performances, film screenings, festivals, workshops for children and adults, discussions, symposiums, exhibitions, readings, community projects and so forth).  In addition to regular events, we have developed art lessons designed for children of preschool, school age and adults or specialized groups (eg. teachers). Through contemporary art, we try to keep our viewers up to date, society-wide topics, initiate public debate on the problems of our contemporary, global as well as local world.  As a volunteer you will be involved in almost all the processes related to everyday operation of independent cultural venue.  Other activities depends on mutual discussion and on the individual preferences, background and profile of the volunteer. He/she can develop his own activity which makes sense and fits with our programme. During 12 months spent in our organisation, the volunteer can gain unique experience for people who would like to continue working in the independent cultural field.  With each EVS, it's a different story. It depends on the individual interests. Some volunteers work with technicians, some with communication, others in the exhibition space.  **Photo documentation/ Social media**  <https://www.flickr.com/photos/stanica/albums>  <https://www.flickr.com/photos/novasynagoga/albums>  <https://www.facebook.com/StanicaZilina/>  <https://www.facebook.com/novasynagoga/>  <https://www.facebook.com/DetskaStanica/>  <https://www.instagram.com/stanicazilina/?hl=nl>  <https://www.instagram.com/novasynagoga/?hl=nl> |

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| ***Short description about hosting city/village (around 150 words)***  Žilina is a city in north-western Slovakia, surrounded by mountains. It is around 200 kilometres from the capital Bratislava, close to both the Czech and Polish borders. It is the fourth largest city of Slovakia with a population of approximately 85,000, an important industrial center, the largest city on the Váh river, and the seat of a kraj (Žilina Region) and of an okres (Žilina District). It belongs to the Upper Váh region of tourism.  On the website of the tourist office you can already have a look in what Žilina has to offer: <http://www.tikzilina.eu/en/> But off course we will show you around as well. |

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| ***Expected tasks of the volunteer:***  the Volunteer has one main task documenting our events  - photographing events/ daily life  - uploading pictures on flickr  - Social media (PR)  besides that the following tasks can be chosen from:  - Organizing events  - Selling and checking tickets  - Distribution of posters  - gardening |

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| ***Working hours and days off:***  In our organisation it is depending on the amount of events we have. Sometimes we have a lot of work, sometimes we have a calmer period. Average will be around 32 hours a week.  We expect that our volunteers are flexible, therefore we are also more flexible when it comes to days off. Our volunteers have around 6 weeks off in total. |

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| ***Food and Accommodation***  The volunteer will receive 180 as food allowance each month and 120 pocketmoney, directly from the hosting organization.  Our volunteers are accommodated in fully equipped rented house with separate room for each volunteer. (around 15m2), in a 7 min walking distance from the venue. There are two bathrooms and three toilets. The big kitchen is shared with everyone with all the equipment needed to cook your own meals. |

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| ***Local Transport***  This town is suitable for walking/biking, mass transportation not needed. We can borrow a bike from the bike rental (you only pay a deposit) |
| ***How many volunteers can you host ?*** 5 volunteers  ***When can you host them?*** 2 from December and 3 from september (every year)  ***For how long can you host them?*** 12 months |

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| ***Do you have any deadlines for applying?***  27th October |
| ***Language Support***  Each volunteer can have one hour a week Slovak lesson with a private teacher. Or having once a week 4 hours lesson at the language school for one trimester. It is up to the motivation of the volunteer how long they want to continue with this. |