

## **Funding possibilities of the Berlin Fund for Participatory Arts Projects**

***Please notice that even if information on funding possibilities is available in different languages applications themselves have to be submitted in German.***

The Berlin fund for participatory arts projects (*Berliner Projektfonds Kulturelle Bildung*) provides 2 Mio EUR each year for cultural projects with an active participation of children and young people. With these funds the regional government of Berlin aims to support projects of artistic and participatory quality developed in connection with themes currently relevant in society. Since the fund started in 2008 more than 1600 projects were financed which benefited about 100,000 young people in more than 1,200 schools, kindergardens, youth clubs and other educational or cultural settings for children and young people (up to the age of 27).

Through such projects children and young people are given access to the arts and culture, and they are strengthened in their own active cultural role within society. Projects should empower participants to establish their own grasp of the aesthetic, intellectual and emotional potentials of the arts, supporting participants to take action themselves. The projects should benefit all children and young people regardless of their social or economic situation.

To make a successful bid for funding collaboration is key: at least one partner from the field of arts and culture has to work with at least one partner from the field of youth and education. The project should draw on the resources and the expertise of both partners. Individual artists or cultural workers can be project partners, just as well as cultural institutions, schools, associations, etc. Project applications are decided upon by the jury of the Berlin fund for participatory arts projects based on the funding guidelines.

### **Funding stream 1 – Innovative projects**

In the spirit of a Berlin-wide call for ideas, co-operative projects with a maximum of a twelve month duration can be funded with amounts between 3,001 EUR and 20,000 EUR. Applications can be submitted twice a year in early spring and autumn. Projects can start either in January or in July

### **Funding stream 2 – Structural projects**

Structural projects or projects with an exceptional model of long-term collaboration can be funded with an amount of more than 20,001 EUR per year. They can be funded for up to three years, should take place in at least six Berlin districts, and can be applied for at the beginning of the year. Before submitting a project applicants are advised to seek a coaching session with the office of the Berlin fund for participatory arts projects.

### **Funding stream 3 – Neighbourhood projects (Funding through the Berlin Districts)**

Smaller projects with a budget of up to 3,000 EUR in single Berlin districts are funded directly by the districts' cultural departments. Each district can allocate a total of 30,000 EUR per year, and each district has their own application deadlines and decision-making processes. Information on deadlines can be found on [www.kubinaut.de](http://www.kubinaut.de) or the websites of the districts.

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