



**EUROPEAN
SOLIDARITY
CORPS**

**BIOART
LABORATORIES**
PROJECT BIOART VILLAGE



ABOUT BIOART LABORATORIES

BioArt Laboratories is an international orientated non-profit foundation focused on the Bio Arts, where we orientate on sustainability, innovation and the environment. We are located in the south of the Netherlands in the city called Eindhoven, and are housed in formal monumental bunkers that look like farmhouses.

We have various farm animals at BioArt Laboratories that are an important element in our storytelling of our main research line: that the human habitat can coexist in a balanced way with the natural ecological habitat.

We are currently looking for volunteers who are interested in helping the organization with the daily outdoor practices and are interested in learning more about sustainable living on an offgrid location.

MAIN ACTIVITIES

Volunteers learn how to live with a sustainable, off-grid mindset close to nature, while working hands-on with the daily activities of the organization. These consists of animal care with hobby farm animals such as 2 cows, alot of chickens, three ponies, two pigs, three geese and birds; helping out in the green/maintaining the forest area; and various renovation related tasks as we restore an old, monumental bunker into a cultural development place, like painting, woodworking and plastering. The perfect profile would be volunteers that have affinity with rural activities, have a practical mentality, prefer to experience living in nature as a way of life

When applying, please take note of the type of activities and their outdoor nature (can be wet, cold, and muddy while feeding/cleaning/taking care of animals).





PARTICIPANT PROFILE

If you are accustomed to luxury or always want to be connected to the internet 24/7, then this is not the project for you. This project is for people who are interested in trying something new and refreshing, or want to learn to live off-grid with a sustainable mindset in a nature rich environment. We have adjusted the facilities to help you with developing that mindset.

Your stay will be in one of the buildings that we have renovated, and you have your own sleeping room. The kitchen area, living area, and other facilities are shared spaces, so some experience / discipline of living with shared living area's, as well some knowledge of cooking, is recommended.

As such, BioArt Laboratories is looking for people with the basic of the following characteristics:

Self-motivation

A volunteer who knows exactly what he/she wants and has very clearly defined goals. He/she do not need to be pushed from behind, they are determined and do not give up easily when they hit obstacles.

Has a positive attitude

Volunteers who are successful have learned to deal with the unpleasant situations inherent avoiding adopting a cut mayonnaise attitude, maintaining a positive tone and a balanced attitude even in the most difficult moments.

A self-taught volunteer

High-performing volunteers are always curious, eager to develop, surpass themselves, adapt and understand how things work.

Be honest

It is not easy for anyone to accept that he/she made a mistake and/or to receive negative/constructive feedback. High-performing volunteers have the modesty to admit that they were wrong, to apologize, to make things right and to make sure that it won't happen again. We don't punish the mistake, we only encourage the truth.

Able to take responsibility

High performing volunteers are honest and take responsibility for their actions. If things don't go well, they simply admit it and don't blame it on others.

Not afraid to ask for help

Contrary to appearances, asking for help is not a sign of weakness but an act of courage.

Passionate about volunteering in general

Passion sets the person, his/her energy and his/her brain in motion. It helps the person to translate curiosity to learn more in the field, to gain experience and help him/her overcome all the challenges inherent in the project.

Has a professional attitude

At BioArt Laboratories, we treat everyone with respect and this is something we look for in the volunteer to respond in kind. They are punctual, keep their promises, present their points of view clearly and concisely but without having an attitude.

Not be wasteful

BioArt Village is an offgrid- location where we have to be mindful with our resources such as water and energy. To get as much as possible from minimal resources. This is a mindset we are looking for in our volunteers.

In general these are some of the common sense characteristics that BioArt Laboratories' future volunteers must have or must be open to gain in order to assure for themselves the best experience with us at BioArt Village.



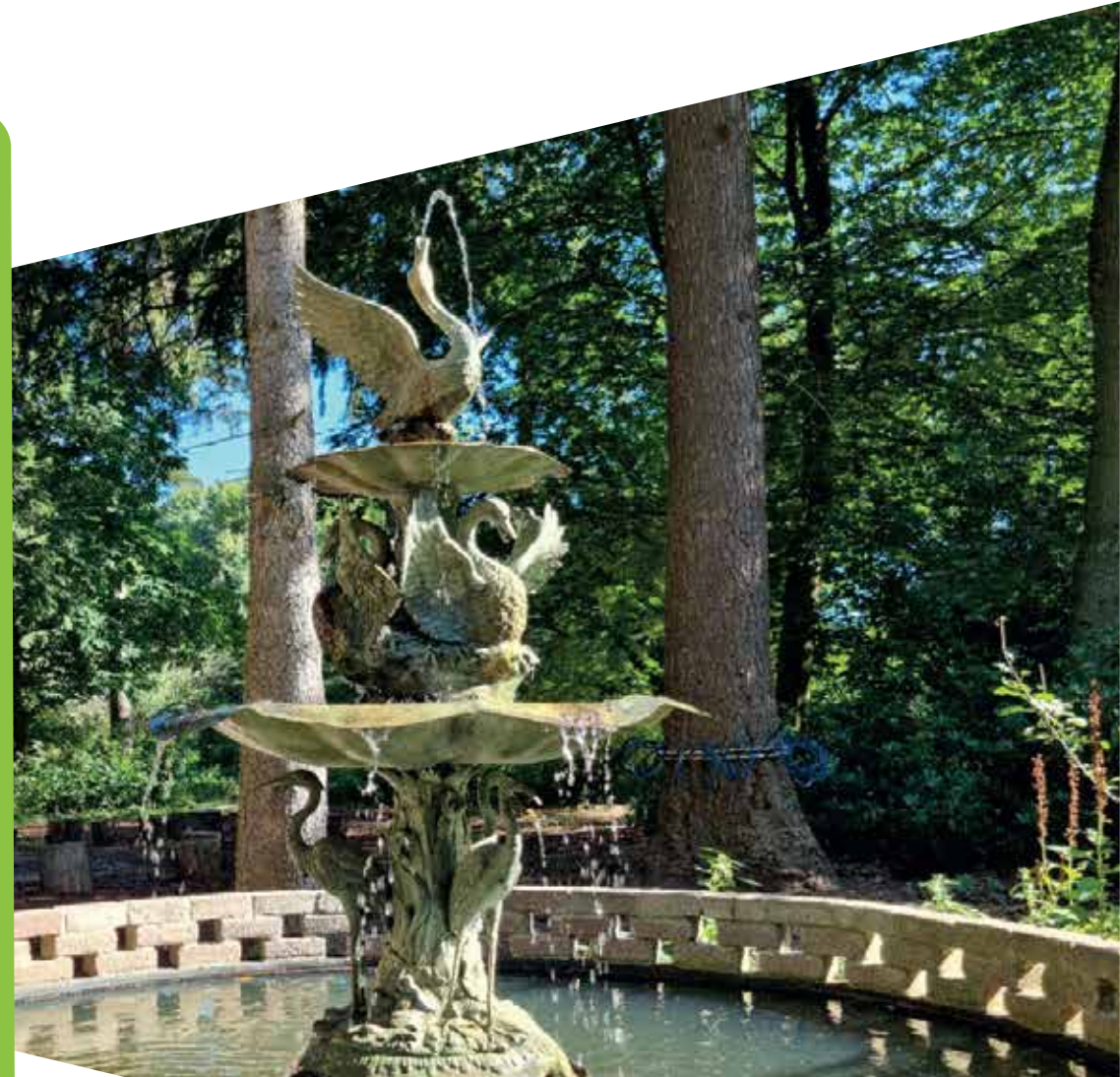
CONDITIONS

Accommodation - all the volunteers will be hosted in BioArt Village, which is 20 - 25 minutes cycling to the city centre of Eindhoven or to the local marketplace.

Travel budget - the amount depends on the distance between your home city to Eindhoven, established by the EU Distance Calculator platform.

You receive food money along with pocketmoney and its paid out every two weeks in advance after arrival. It is important that you have arranged a valid bank account prior to your arrival with a valid International Bank Account Number.

We start at 9:00 in the morning, have a break of 30 minutes in the midday, and end our day at 17:00. After 17:00 and during the weekends, you are free to explore Eindhoven and the Netherlands!



You have two off-days a month besides the weekend, that you can request in advance.

Health insurance - each volunteer will be registered for the free medical insurance of the ESC program called Henner. In case you have access to an European Health Insurance Card (EHIC), you can bring that with you.

Language - You have a basic understanding of English (A2 level recommended).

Youth Pass Certificate - at the end of the mobility each volunteer will receive his/her personal official certificate!

You need to be committed to the daily activities in your best capacity, and able to communicate.



ELIGIBILITY

- Age between 18 - 30 years.
- You are coming from an EU country. or from Partner Countries according to the European Solidarity Corps.
- You didn't do a long term EVS / ESC project before that is more than 2 months. You must be able to commit to the activities as stated.
- You have a VISA or have a double nationality with one of them EU.



TO APPLY

Send us an email at solidarity@bioartlab.com with your C.V. and your motivation to join as volunteer at BioArt Village or contact us through our project page:

<https://youth.europa.eu/volunteering/organisation/77424>

The standard time period are either short term (59 days) or 3 to 6 months, depending on eligibility / VISA. The volunteering places are really wanted, so make sure you follow each step with a complete registration and meet the criteria. We will stay in contact first by email and after by WhatsApp being faster and more personal so please be sure that you have the app on your mobile number given.

- You are motivated, open-minded and pro-active.
- You are aware that you will step out of your comfort zone and are able to do it.
- You respect the rules, structure and practices of the hosting organisation. Since we host various art projects and visitors, we are also obliged to uphold the privacy of them. As such, its not possible to record or document your stay for social media and such.





From BioArt Laboratories you can go to various places, such as the market in Eindhoven, Eindhoven Central or the Klokgebouw. All these locations are within cycling distance.

BIOART LABORATORIES

PROJECT BIOART VILLAGE

