

**INTERNATIONAL  
YOUTH EXCHANGE**



Erasmus+

**FONKER**

**4-13 DECEMBER 2022,  
SAINT-LEU (LA RÉUNION - FRANCE)**



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# THE PROJECT: IT'S ALL ABOUT MUSIC!

"Fonker" is an international Erasmus+ Youth Exchange organized by Labi Collective. The main activity of the project will take place in La Réunion (French island) between 4th and 13th December 2022.

## **Music plays a big role in people's life : that's especially true in La Reunion!**

In La Réunion, many different communities live together on the island. Throughout its History, La Reunion has been built upon different cultures and traditions that you can observe in its architecture, its food, its traditions, religions and... its music.

Music has the power to bring people together: therefore it is a great tool to facilitate communication, intercultural interactions and connections. That's what we want to do during this project! **Let's explore, create, share music and dance practices together.**

Let's improvise together, and let go of the fears and judgements.

**The project will introduce different arts and body practices such as: capoeira, singing, dancing, instrumental practises. We will create connections between artists from different parts of Europe and different worlds of music and dance.**

**We will discover Maloya** which is one of the traditional Creole styles that brings instruments, dancing and singing altogether. It mixes up people and communities during celebrations or just when playing in the streets, and is now part of the UNESCO'S world heritage. Our local experts will introduce us to this art and we will discover it through practise, hoping to take part in a bigger event at the end of the week!

## OBJECTIVES

- Promoting **intercultural dialogue and cross-cultural interactions** between European youngsters through music,
- Creating **connections between artists from different parts of Europe** and different worlds of music and dance.
- Giving opportunities to **develop new skills and knowledge**, experience new cultures and traditions and meet with different communities, thus promoting social inclusion by practising new arts and value diversity;
- **Introducing the Erasmus+ Programme** and all the possibilities for learning, development and participation that it offers to youngsters across Europe,
- Equipping participants with knowledge about **the non-formal method of discovering arts** and give them hands-on experience with methods so they can use it in the future.

# ABOUT LABI COLLECTIVE



LABI COLLECTIVE is an organization created by friends who met during their European Voluntary Service (EVS) in Latvia in 2017. Founded in 2018 in Lille, France, our aim is to promote civic engagement, intercultural dialogue and cultural exchanges through arts, communications and non-formal education.

We believe in the power of arts, communication and communities to modify realities for a better here, now and tomorrow.

## OUR PARTNERS



Galicia Fiddle  
(Spain)



WESOUND

WeSound  
(Italy)



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Amazonas  
(Croatia)

## OUR EXPERTS



SUNDRI

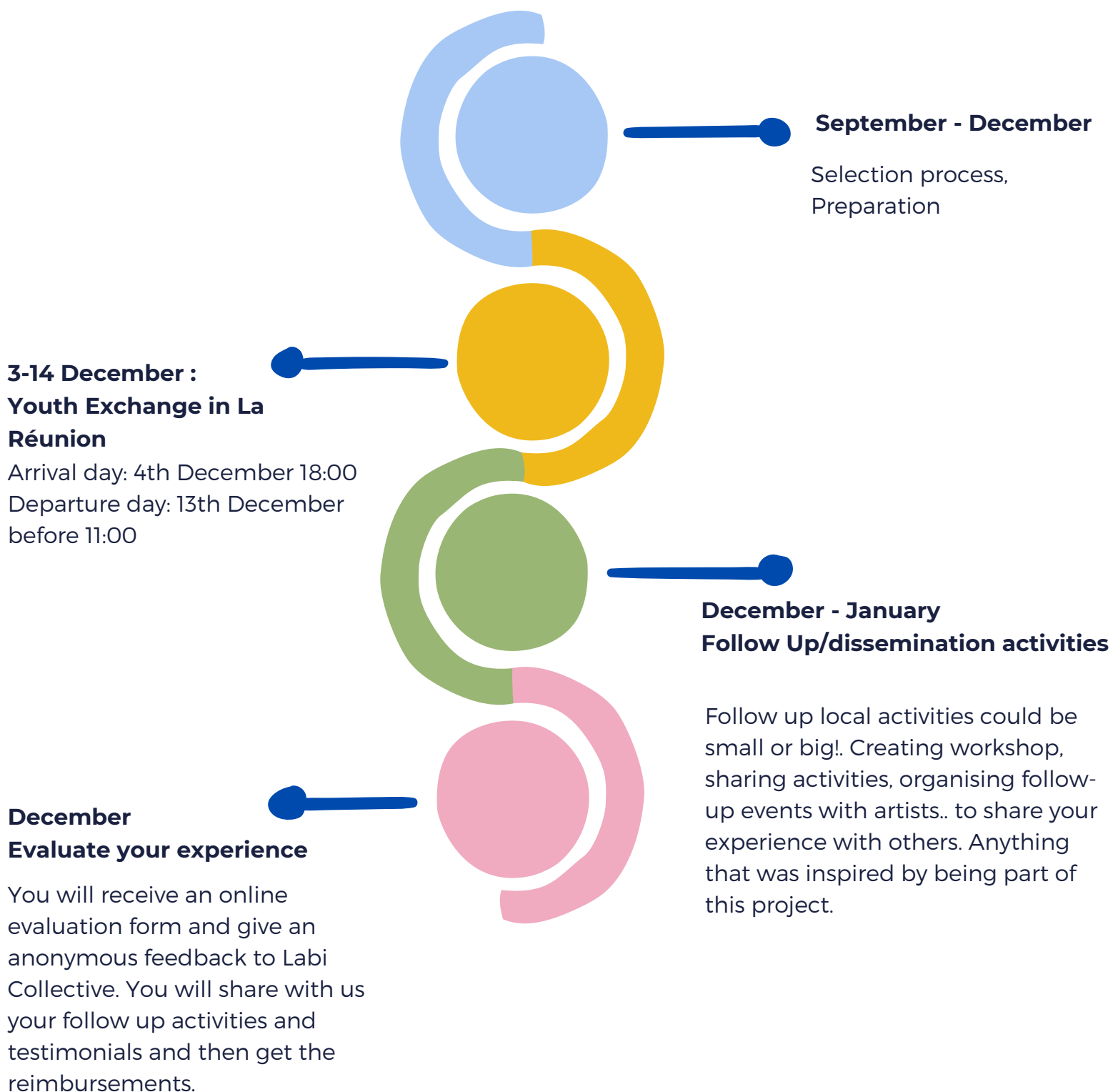
Sundri is a singer, songwriter and performer based in La Réunion. Cruising between Pop, World and Jazz, in French, English or Creole, Sundri has no borders! The 4 corners of the world and her universal feminine energy color her voice to make our souls travel.



AXEL  
SAUTRON

Axel is a singer, musician, dancer and researcher about Maloya music and dance. Graduated from the Conservatory, he had a leading role in developing a pedagogy to transmit Maloya sounds and movements.

# TIMELINE OF THE PROJECT



# PROGRAMME (CAN BE MODIFIED)

DAY 1	ARRIVAL	
DAY 2	INTRODUCTION	
DAY 3	WORKSHOPS	
DAY 4	WORKSHOPS	
DAY 5	DISCOVERING THE ISLAND	
DAY 6	WORKSHOPS	
DAY 7	WORKSHOPS	
DAY 8	THE BIG DAY!	
DAY 9	REFLECTION, EVALUATION, SPREADING	
DAY 10	DEPARTURE	



# PARTICIPANTS PROFILE

The project will include 29 participants from 4 countries (Spain, Italy, Croatia, France -continental & La Réunion) aged between 18-30 (except group leaders for whom there is no age limit).

## About the participants

We are looking for participants who are deeply interested in music and body movement. Ideally, semi-professionals and/or passionate people!

Motivation and willingness to implement future activities/events with the sending organization will be one of the key factors for selection.

Participants are expected to communicate themselves in English and **be willing and committed to actively participate in all the activities of the program and in the daily tasks**, in an active, cooperative and respectful way.

Besides, participants should commit to keep to the deadlines, carry out the preparatory tasks asked for by the organizers and be willing to follow-up on the youth exchange, ideally in co-operation with their sending organisation.

### NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS PER COUNTRY (+GROUP LEADERS)

- FRANCE (CONT.): 4 +1
- FRANCE (LA REUNION): 4 +1
- SPAIN: 5 +2
- CROATIA: 5 +1
- ITALY: 5 +1

# GROUP LEADERS PROFILE

## ABOUT GROUP LEADERS

We would like to develop and carry out a dynamic youth exchange in which group leaders will be actively involved in the programme.

For this, group leaders will be chosen according to their previous experience in international activities and/or involvement with their sending organizations.

# THE VENUE

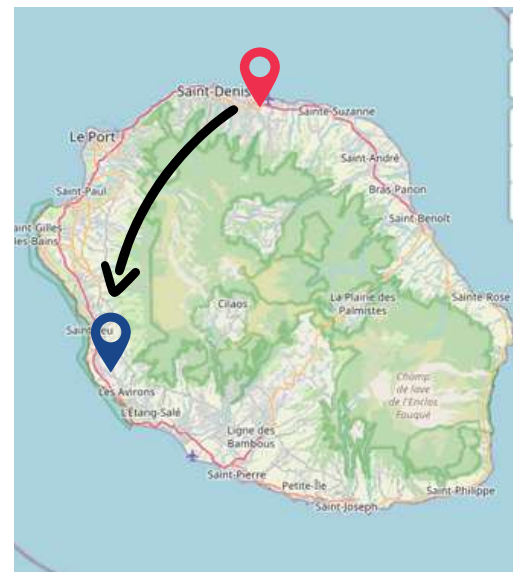
"Fonker" will be implemented in Saint-Leu, in La Réunion.

**La Case Coco** is a fabulous venue, hostel-like, located in Piton-Saint-Leu. It is designed for big groups, with large outdoor spaces, a swimming pool and various bedrooms hosting 2, 3 or 4 participants in single beds.

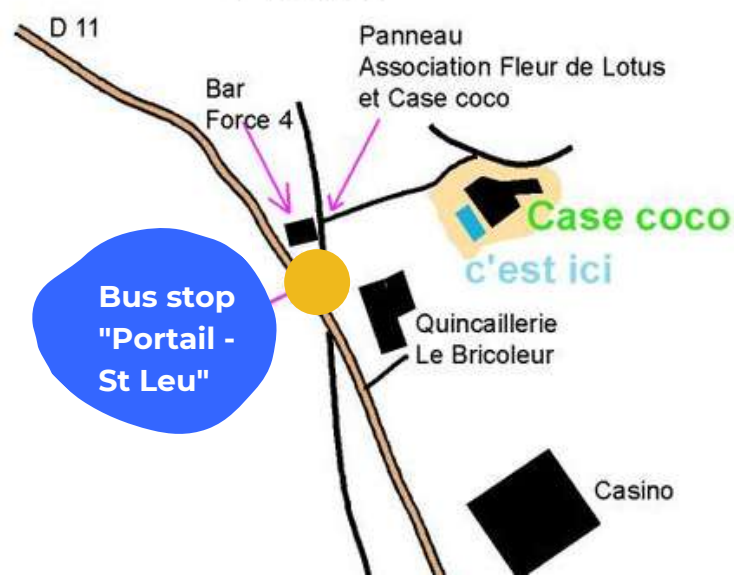
Its owner, Dominique, lives on the spot and will welcome us.



**La Case Coco**  
**20 Chemin Mazeau**  
**Saint-Leu 97424**  
**La Réunion**



## Zoom



**To reach La Case Coco, use the bus:**

From **Saint-Denis Roland Garros (RUN) airport** -> to bus stop **"Portail - St Leu"** (about 1h30mn)

Check your route here :  
[www.carjaune.re](http://www.carjaune.re)

Once you've reached the bus stop, walk 200m and you're there!

# HOW TO GET THERE



The best thing will be to travel **from your country to Paris** and then catch a flight to Saint-Denis (La Réunion).

The flights are operated mostly by FrenchBee, Air Caraibes, Air France, Corsair.



**Arrival: Participants are expected to arrive no later than 18:00h on 4th of December**

**Departure: no earlier than 00:00 and no later than 11:00 on 13th of December.**

## DO YOU NEED HELP?

If you have any doubt or you are not very sure of which itinerary you should take, please contact us on our email, Facebook page or phone number, We will be glad to assist you! (Check last page for contact information).





# TICKETS AND REIMBURSEMENT



During the project week, accommodation, food and all other project-related expenses will be covered by the Erasmus+ programme. When buying tickets, bear in mind that there is a fixed maximum amount reimbursable for your individual trip costs. The sum, set by the European distance calculator, covers the travel costs from your home city to the venue and back. **Travel costs exceeding the maximum reimbursable amount will not be covered.**

## ABOUT REIMBURSEMENT

Reimbursement of travel costs will be made via bank transfer to the sending organization upon presentation of all original tickets (including return tickets), receipts, invoices and/or boarding passes and **AFTER** receiving proof of dissemination activities carried out maximum 1 and a half months after the youth exchange.

## CONDITIONS FOR REIMBURSEMENT

The maximum amount for travel costs is:

**1.100€** for Spain, Croatia, Italy, France continental  
and **20€** for participants from La Reunion.



1. Arrange all your travel in advance based on **economy class tickets** and plan the **cheapest route possible**.
2. We can only reimburse **public transportation** (plane, bus, train, metro, ...)
3. If you have any doubt about your travelling plans, please contact your sending coordinator or the hosting team **BEFORE** booking tickets.
4. Participants can travel maximum 2 days before and 2 days after the official start and end of the project. **During that extra time**, food or accommodation are **NOT provided**.

## IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT!

PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING THE ORIGINAL TICKETS AND INVOICES WITH YOU. WE WILL NOT BE ABLE TO REIMBURSE YOU WITHOUT THEM.



# PRACTICALITIES

## PARTICIPATION FEE

There will be a **50€ participation fee** to be brought in cash at the beginning of the project. The money will be spent on the benefit of the activity to provide extra materials and to cover the expenses of the excursion day!



## INSURANCE

It is mandatory to have a **valid travel and medical insurance** (i.e. European Health Insurance Card) during your travel. The host organisation will not cover any personal health costs. If you need help with this matter, please contact your sending organisation.



## FOOD & DRINKS

During the project, exclusively **vegetarian/vegan** food will be served. The consumption of any type of alcoholic beverage will not be allowed in the accomodation.



## CULTURAL NIGHTS

During the week we will be able to discover one another's cultures and national delicacies. Each night, each country group will cook for the others with their traditional food from each region/country/culture. Also, would be nice to share songs, dances, stories or whatever you would like.



## THE WEATHER

In December, the temperatures will be high in La Réunion!  
Although, La Case Coco is higher than the sea level so there should be some fresh air ;-)



## CLOTHES

Bring all summer clothes, but also a rain jacket and a sweater!  
Good hiking shoes, swimsuit and towel, sunscreen and a hat will be more than necessary!  
You can also bring your mask and scuba for some snorkelling!



# CHECKLIST AND CONTACTS



Are you already Interested? **Fill in the application** form and send it to your sending coordinator.

**If you have been selected to participate,**  
create your travel plan, send it to us ([ana.delvalle@ticket2europe.eu](mailto:ana.delvalle@ticket2europe.eu))  
and wait for confirmation before buying tickets.

Once you have tickets, send all travel confirmations to:  
**[ana.delvalle@ticket2europe.eu](mailto:ana.delvalle@ticket2europe.eu)**

After selection, we will invite you to join the project's official **What'sapp group**  
to make communication a lot easier.

## READY TO FLY?

### DO NOT FORGET

- Brief presentation of your organization and your country/culture.
- Comfortable/sporty clothes.
- Reusable water bottle!
- Special personal items (towel, flip flops, medicine...)
- Hat and sunscreen

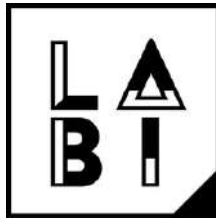
Want to know more about the island ? Here: [en.reunion.fr/](http://en.reunion.fr/)

## CONTACT US:

**[labi.collective@gmail.com](mailto:labi.collective@gmail.com)**



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