



**OPEN CALL**

Designers and Artisans

**Deadline for Applications**

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## PROJECT PARTNERS





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The MUSE Project, an initiative funded by CREATIVE EUROPE, is a collaboration between partners from Spain, Malta, Ukraine, and Belgium. This groundbreaking program invites designers and artisans / folklorists to embark on an inspiring cross-cultural and multidisciplinary journey, blending fashion, tradition, and innovation. Together with individuals from diverse backgrounds, participants will co-create a one-of-a-kind fashion collection that celebrates inclusivity and creativity.



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**Are you a fashion designer, artisan, or emerging creative bursting with ideas? The MUSE Project offers you the chance to bring your vision to life and showcase your work across Europe!**

## About the Program

**MUSE** aims to bring together creative talents from diverse backgrounds to collaboratively design fashion collections inspired by local traditions and contemporary trends. With a strong commitment to inclusivity, diversity, and sustainability, the program offers participants a transformative experience. They will take part in **MUSE Exploration Labs**, engage in hands-on co-creation workshops, and join immersive inspirational sessions during **MUSE Week** in Valladolid, Spain, in May 2025. The journey culminates with an international runway showcase of their final creations in Brussels in February 2027.



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## Who Can Apply?

**Designers and artisans** with expertise in crafts, folklore, or the textile industry, who are eager to collaborate with both vulnerable and non-vulnerable communities. Candidates should be passionate about co-creating a distinctive collection and showcasing their work on a European stage.

## Eligibility Criteria

1. Experience in crafts or the fashion / textile industry.
2. Interest in co-creation, folklore, and sustainable fashion.
3. Availability for the program timeline (detailed below).
4. Willingness to participate in workshops with individuals experiencing social vulnerabilities.
5. Valid VAT Registration Number in Malta.

## Key dates

**Publication of  
Call**

**December 11  
2024**

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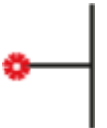
# Program Highlights



**2025**  
February - April

## Exploration labs

Bi-weekly sessions  
(1.5–2 hours)  
exploring design  
concepts

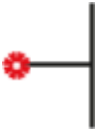


**2025**  
August

## Cut and Craft Expression Labs

**2026**  
April

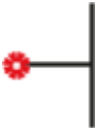
Monthly workshops  
co-creating fashion  
pieces.



**2026**  
May

## MUSE Week Residency

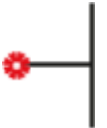
Five days in Valladolid with  
immersive workshops of crafts,  
design, technology and  
sustainability.



**2026**  
May

## Community Engagement

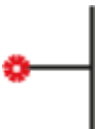
Runway showcases, workshops



**2027**  
February

## The Brussels Cultural Couture Day

International runway



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## Open Positions Available

We are searching for **2 DESIGNERS** who are professionals in the textile and fashion industry.

We are searching for **one ARTISAN** with experience in traditional craft trades such as embroidery, ceramics, carpentry, macramé or lace, among others.



These roles will involve providing artistic mentoring and direction during the exploratory and creative phase and the opportunity to engage in a collaborative network of emerging artists.

This social action involves financial compensation.



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## How to apply

**Interested participants must submit the following:**

### **Personal Information:**

Name, contact details, and current location.

### **Portfolio:**

Examples of previous work (if applicable).

### **Motivation Letter:**

Explain which role you are applying for, why you wish to join MUSE and your goals for participation.



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## **Responses to the Following Questions:**

**Describe your experience with socially  
inclusive projects.**

**What are your professional goals?**

**Are you available for all required sessions  
(as outlined in the timeline)?**

**Do you have access to necessary tools or  
equipment for your craft?**



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## Submission Instructions

Submit your application via **email to [migrantwomenmalta@gmail.com](mailto:migrantwomenmalta@gmail.com)**.

Ensure all documents are in PDF format, and applications are complete before submission.

### Selection Process

#### Stage 1:

Initial review of applications and pre-selection.

#### Stage 2:

Interviews with shortlisted candidates



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