

By young people, for young people

2022

In 2022, we celebrated the European Year of Youth #EYY2022. This was the perfect context to further develop youth-led activities and have our voice heard.

Our Programmes

ESACH Talks!

Online events

- “European Youth in Heritage” | 15 March 2022, 7pm CET | [Watch the recording online](#)
- “Fight illicit trafficking of cultural property” | 5 May 2022 | [Watch the recording online](#) | [Event summary](#)
- “Digital transformation of the cultural heritage sector” | 18 May 2022 | [Watch the recording online](#)

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European Heritage Youth Ambassadors

20 European Heritage Youth Ambassadors joined the programme in 2022

Core Activities:

1. Social Media coverage #HeritageAmbassadors
2. Long reads and news coverage on the European Heritage Tribune
3. Participation in events
 - 16 February 2022: [Launch of the 2nd edition of the European Heritage Youth Ambassadors \(EHYA\) programme](#) (Europa Nostra, ESACH, European Heritage Tribune)
 - March - April: [EHYA join the Selection Committee of the European Heritage Awards / Europa Nostra Awards](#)
 - 22 April 2022: [European Heritage Youth Ambassadors cover ILUCIDARE closing event](#)
 - 13-14 June 2022: [Participation of the European Heritage Youth Ambassadors in the European Heritage Label Ceremony and Workshops](#)
 - 28-29 October 2022: Participation of European Heritage Youth Ambassadors and ESACH Coordination Committee members at the [European Youth Forum's Level-Up Event](#)
 - November: Launch of Climate Heritage Network Youth Forum / Participation of European Heritage Youth Ambassadors in the UN Climate Change Conference COP26

[Meet the European Heritage Youth Ambassadors Network](#) and [Watch the testimonials!](#)
Applications for the programme open each December.

ESACH / Europa Nostra Internship Programme

This networking and professionalisation programme continued in 2022 with its third and fourth cycle. Past interns testimonials are available [here](#).

Publications

- The ESACH Quarterly no. 2 was released in April, bringing together 25 participants as authors. It explored the following themes:
 - Sustainable Tourism and Cultural Heritage
 - Communicating Culture
 - World Heritage Challenges & Opportunities
 - Community Engagement for Cultural Heritage
 - Cultural Heritage e & Climate Change
- The ESACH Quarterly no. 3 was initiated in conjunction with the Consultation “Youth for the Future of Cultural Heritage in Europe”
 - 6 interviews were carried out and edited from July to October
 - The analysis of the responses to the survey ran from September to December.
- 13 newsletter issues were sent out in 2022 to a total of 8.761 recipients. The subscribers increased from 537 in January 2022 to 760 in December 2022.
- Our Common Past, Our Future. III ESACH Meeting, Madrid 7th-9th June 2021. Book of Proceedings

Our Engagement

ESACH was present as a voice for youth in cultural heritage at:

- 20 April - 31 August: Consultation “Youth for the Future of Cultural Heritage in Europe”
- 9 June: International Conference on "Strengthening the fight against illicit trafficking of cultural property - a UNESCO/EU Conference".
- 15 July 2022: #Youth4Heritage webinar: “Reimagining cultural heritage skills to embrace the digital and green transition” (Europa Nostra, ESACH, EU)
- August 2022: last month of online consultation and interviews
- August: CHARTER (European Cultural Heritage Skills Alliance), Erasmus+ project stakeholder interviews
- 15 September: “Youth and cultural heritage” meeting with the Cultural Policy Unit of the Directorate General of Education and Culture, European Commission
- 24-27 September 2022: The Future is Heritage Summit
 - 24 September 2022: European Heritage Masterclass “Climate Heritage Digital Advocacy” designed by, with and for young people. The Masterclass took place during The Future is Heritage Summit
 - 27 September 2022: European Heritage Policy Agora 2022 – Youth Intermezzos. See the news coverage in the European Heritage Tribune
- 28-30 September 2022: Europeana Conference
- 28-29 October 2022: Participation of European Heritage Youth Ambassadors and ESACH Coordination Committee members at the European Youth Forum’s Level-Up Event
- 15 November: OWHvoices SYMPOSIUM session 4: Engaging international heritage organisations

- 23 November: [International Student Forum on Youth, Peace and Security](#)

Collaborations with:

- Future for Religious Heritage (FRH) - [Young voices in Heritage](#)
- Europeana Initiative - [Europeana - ESACH bursary scheme for Europeana 2022](#)
- Michael Culture Association - [ESACH work discussed in MCA's podcast EUCropolis, the European Year of Youth episode with Katarina Zorou from Web2Learn](#)

“Youth for the future of cultural heritage in Europe”

Together with Europa Nostra and many others, ESACH ran an [online consultation](#) to explore what the needs and expectations youth has.

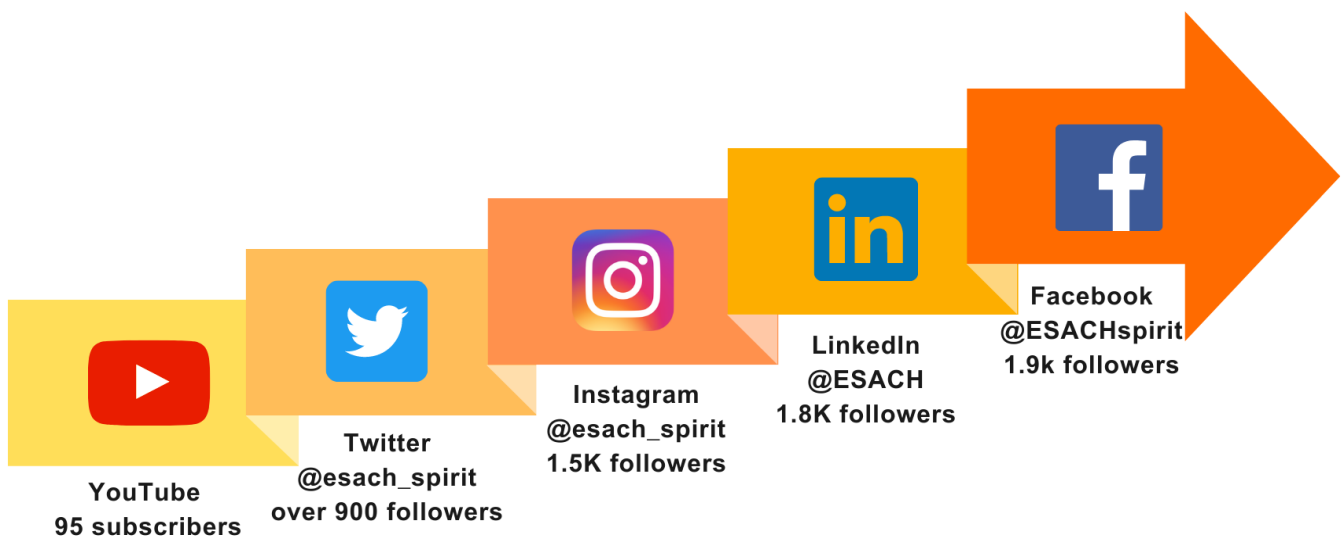
The findings of the online consultation were analysed and are soon to be published in a special issue of **The ESACH Quarterly**. The findings were also used as a base for the collaborative **Position Paper**, which brought together a team of 40+ volunteers and 10 institutional partners to summarise the hopes and expectations of youth for cultural heritage. The Paper highlights sustainability as the key goal youth wants for cultural heritage. In order to achieve it, five specific principles were tied to the process: inclusion (1), collaboration (2), intergenerational exchange and dialogue (3), strengthening the sector (4), and new technologies (5).

Expected publication date: Summer 2023

Membership

185 new members joined ESACH in 2022, bringing the total count to 630 members at the end of 2022. Becoming an ESACH member [is very easy](#) and free of charge.

Online Presence



[YouTube](#) | [Twitter](#) | [Instagram](#) | [LinkedIn](#) | [Facebook](#)

Our partners (in alphabetical order), whom we would like to thank:

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European Heritage Volunteers

Europeana Initiative

Future for Religious Heritage

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Michael Culture Association

The Future is Heritage (FisH)