

PROGRAMME



Arrivals: Tuesday 14

Pre-conference programme and networking

11.30 –
13.30

Masterclass

ACTIVE ACCESS: Opening Music Making through Technology

Lecturer: Ben Lunn, Composer/ Artistic Advisor, Drake Music Scotland

No booking required, at [Latvian Music Academy](#). Part of [New Music ExChange](#), enhancing equity in contemporary music, supported by Nordic Council of Ministers via the Nordic Culture Point Culture and Arts Programme

14.00 –
16.00

Informal Networking

MEET-UP AT KANEPES

Join hosts Burak Sayin, Space-Time Works/ CAE and Lauri Supponen, Composer for an informal meet-up at [KANEPES](#) – drop-in

Each
day

Podcast

TRUST THE PROCESS

Podcast with Sara Bandinu, Burak Sayin and participants from the Alliance for Socially Engaged Arts Fellowship Programme

DAY 01: Wednesday 15

9.00 –
10.00

Registration and coffee

9.45 **Welcome** with Host for the days: Niels Righolt, Center for Kunst & Interkultur/CAE & Kristis Auznieks, Baltic Music Days
Johan Blixt, Council of Nordic Composers

10.00 –
11.00

Keynote

DIFFERENT TIMES: NEW SOLUTIONS

Speaker: Kristin Danielsen, Director, Nordic Culture Fund
Q&A with Lars Ebert, Secretary General, Culture Action Europe

11.30 –
13.30

Discussion

STATUS OPEN MEETING: SIGNALS FROM CONTEMPORARY MUSIC

Group discussions: artistic heritage, AI, alternative platforms, cross-border collaboration, creating under societal and political pressure

14.40 –
15.30

Free-flow sessions (Select 2)

- 1 SETTING SAIL WITH CULTURE COMPASS
- 2 LIGHTNING PRACTICE PRESENTATIONS
- 3 THE CULTURE SDG SUSTAINABILITY GOAL
- 4 DISABILITY ARTS PRACTICE

15.50 –
16.40

17.00 – 17.15 Wrap up and close of Day 01

DAY 02: Thursday 16

9.00 –
10.15

Panel Debate

FAIR PRACTICE & WORKING CONDITIONS

Moderator: Sine Tofte Hannibal, Danish Composers Society
Panellists: Tony Bennett, Screen Composers Guild, Ireland, Liene Ozoliņa, Latvian Academy of Culture, Zahra Mani, Austrian Composers Union, Esther Gottschalk, Dutch Composers Association

Part of the [European Composer and Songwriter Alliance Creators' Talks](#) series, supported by [Creative Europe](#)

10.15 –
11.30

Open Space

NETWORKING

Time to connect and continue your own conversations

11.30 –
12.30

Closing

NORTHERN DIRECTIONS

What's next? Discussion and conclusions.
Moderator: Julie Ward, CAE,
Panellists: Juliana Hodkinson, Council of Nordic Composers/ Danish Composers Society, Mantautas Krukauskas, Lithuanian Composers Union/ Baltic Contemporary Music Network