

## Call for projects

**Next Generation, Please! at Bozar**  
**8th edition – Moving Image**

**Deadline: 02 May 2023**

Filmmakers, video and animation artists, schools, organisations and youth groups, this call is for you! We are launching a special edition of Next Generation, Please! focusing solely on 'moving image'. Are you passionate about cinema? Do you like to watch or make documentaries? Or maybe you have a talent in animation? Do you want to create or develop an artistic project that encourages reflection on the global challenges of contemporary society? We want to hear your voices!

With Next Generation, Please!, your project could benefit from unprecedented visibility in a major cultural institution and support for artistic creation up to €5500. Get started and submit your application before 02 May 2023.



Je ne pense pas que la discrimination soit acceptable.

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## About the project

Next Generation, Please! is an open platform at Bozar for young people aged 15–26, that aims to open a public debate and support co-creation of a shared project together with artists and experts. Bozar wants to support and follow young generations who live as conscious, creative and articulate citizens in a society that needs to listen and hear their opinions and their ideas as never before.

This year 5 projects will be selected to be part of the 8th edition of Next Generation, Please!. Throughout the academic year 2023–24, each selected group will collaborate and work together, share their ideas, aspirations and experience around current social issues and their reflections on our common future. During this process, they will develop an artistic project together, resulting in a format of audio-visual creation. It could be a long or short feature film, a docu/mocu-mentary, an animation film, a video work or VR/AR installation. All the new creations will be presented by the makers themselves to a broader public during a 2-days film festival at Bozar in May 2024.

## Participation

Next Generation, Please! is all about participation and Bozar has a lot to offer to young people. During the trajectories, we propose them collective and individual activities at Bozar, that are meant to support, inspire and empower young participants, such as:

- access to film screenings, concerts, exhibitions and debates at Bozar;
- participation in a collective workshop with professional filmmakers and other experts from the field;
- possibility to get a week-long residence at Bozar;
- participation in the communication campaign of the film festival;
- working in close collaboration with the Bozar team during the set-up of the film festival;
- presentation of their work to a general public, partners and media through on-stage introductions and Q&A's;
- possibility to be part of the selecting jury for the next edition;
- meeting new friends and creating meaningful connections;

and much more...

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## Themes

The European project has never been under more pressure than it is today. We are experiencing a period of accelerated technological, political, social and environmental change. The future is alarming and uncertain.

How can we repair the relationships that are threatening to tear us apart? What does it mean to be European? What values should we embody and fight for? How can we find sustainable answers to the problems that we are currently facing?

We believe that young people can play a key role in accelerating this shift. With the new edition of Next Generation, Please! we want to go back to the project's roots, which are fundamental principles that constitute Europe – human dignity, freedom, democracy, equality, rule of law and human rights. We want to encourage reflection on issues of citizenship and society and hear your ideas for our common future and see your visions for wellbeing of our planet.



There's no longer democracy

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## Timeline of the project

### **15 February 2023**

Launch of call for projects

### **15 March 2023**

Info-session about the Open Call at Bozar

### **2 May 2023**

Deadline for project submittals

### **24 May 2023**

Selection announcement

### **27 September 2023**

Kick-off and meeting with participants and partners

### **November 2023**

Workshop with filmmakers and debate with experts

### **January–April 2024**

Trajectory and residencies at Bozar

### **18–19 April 2024**

End of project trajectories and delivery of final cuts

### **18–19 May 2024**

Film festival at Bozar with workshops, debates, Q&A

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## Who can apply?

Filmmakers, video artists, schools, youth organizations or associations, independent group of youngsters can apply with an artistic project where the young participants aged 15–26 are playing a central role. The former participants of the Next Generation, Please! are also welcome to submit their applications.

The project group should preferably feature an expert(s) that will support and guide the project through its course, such as political figures, thinkers, philosophers, journalists, writers, activists etc. They share their expertise on social, local, national, European and international policies and issues.

Bozar also highlights organisations involved in projects that foster citizenship and political awareness among young adults. These include organisations that are active, at a local level, in societal and artistic issues, associations dedicated to artistic education, or bodies that promote ties between art and society.

## Required elements

- The effective participation of young adults is essential,
- The filmmaker(s) should be involved with a group of at least 12 young adults aged 15–26,
- Collaboration takes place on a regular basis over at least six months,
- The group addresses a societal theme, preferably aligned with the thematic of this edition,
- An expert joins the group for at least 3 working sessions to share their experience with young adults,
- The whole process should result in at least one audio-visual work to be presented during a festival at Bozar,
- The filmmaker(s) who will work with the young adults already has a solid reputation and experience of working with youth. They guarantee the artistic quality of the final result.

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## Selection and conditions

5 projects will be selected by the jury committee consisting of Bozar project team, partners of the project and former participants. Bozar will finance 60% of each project, up to a limit of €5500. The following criteria are an advantage for selection:

- organisations that already work with young adults and/or artists and that include this project as an extension of their work,
- projects engaging youth in vulnerable conditions,
- alignment with the thematic of the edition,
- track record in raising awareness of citizenship and political consciousness in young adults,
- ethical aspect,
- projects with a greater participation reach,
- a project that is self-financed or receives other subsidies,
- commitment to artistic quality,
- commitment to comply with the schedule of the project,
- ability to work independently and commitment to participate in organized activities by Bozar.



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## How to submit a project?

Submit your proposal using the form to be sent by email to [nextgenerationplease@bozar.be](mailto:nextgenerationplease@bozar.be) **by 2 May 2023**. We encourage you to include a 5-minute video presentation of your group/organisation and 5 inspiring images to illustrate your proposal. Larger files, such as the video, can be sent with an external link (WeTransfer or other services).

If you have any questions or would like to test an idea before submitting a project proposal, we invite you to an **info session on 15 March 2023 at Bozar**. For registrations, please contact us by 6 March via [nextgenerationplease@bozar.be](mailto:nextgenerationplease@bozar.be).

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## Know more about the project

For inspiration or to learn more about the project, please visit our website: <https://www.bozar.be/en/next-generation-please> or take a look at our Instagram account <https://www.instagram.com/nextgenerationplease/>.

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