



ARTWEEK
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27 AUG - 17 SEPT 2026

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THE PROJECT

What is ARTWEEK ARUBA?

ArtWeek Aruba is an annual festival that transforms the Aruban district of San Nicolas, the Art Capital of the Caribbean, into a centre of artistic expression and community engagement. This week-long event highlights the richness of Aruban creativity and the island's diverse cultural influences, showcasing work from both local and international artists..

Under the theme "Nature × Mankind: Shape, Shift, Sustain", ArtWeek 2026 invites artists and audiences to explore the evolving relationship between humans and the natural world. This edition encourages reflection on how we impact our environment, how the environment shapes us in return, and what it means to build a more sustainable future together.

ArtWeek 2026 calls for creative interpretations of coexistence, resilience, and responsibility. Through a dynamic program of workshops, masterclasses, talks, fashion presentations, public art, and a featured expo spot at the Art Fair, the festival becomes a space for awareness, dialogue, and transformative artistic expression.

San Nicolas once again becomes a living gallery, filled with installations, performances, and exhibitions that inspire viewers to reconnect with nature and reimagine a balanced world.



MURAL FESTIVAL

The Aruba Mural Festival is a vibrant, transformative celebration that draws muralists from around the world to San Nicolas. For several days, the streets become open-air studios as artists turn blank walls into breathtaking works of art, giving new life, color, and spirit to the heart of Aruba's art capital.



ARTTABLE brings together 100 art lovers for an unforgettable night of creativity under the stars. Guided by Aruba's leading artists, participants co-create large-scale masterpieces in a magical open-air setting, blending community, inspiration, and hands-on artistic expression.



ART FASHION merges the worlds of art and style in a bold, boundary-pushing showcase. This dynamic event transforms artists into designers and designers into artists, resulting in imaginative creations that blur disciplines and ignite fresh perspectives on wearable art.



The Aruba Art Fair is a three-day social art experience that revitalizes empty buildings and transforms them into immersive pop-up galleries. Visitors wander through reimagined spaces filled with contemporary art, installations, and cultural expression, turning San Nicolas into a vibrant hub of creativity and discovery.

ROLE, TASK & ACTIVITIES

How are you going to contribute to the event?

Volunteers will play a crucial role both before and during Art Week and the Mural Festival by preparing materials, setting up, and overseeing social media. Their contributions will ensure smooth event operations, effective communication, and a vibrant online presence.

Be ready for some heavy physical work under the tropical sun!



Your contribution is vital to the success of Art Week and the Mural Festival, ensuring that every detail is perfect and every moment is memorable!

WHERE ARE WE?

The event/project will take place in San Nicolas, Aruba

Known as the most local part of Aruba, San Nicolas was considered dangerous and disreputable for the tourists. Nowadays, thanks to ArtisA's interventions, this area is one of the most interesting and visited part of the island, for sure the most authentic!

In 2019, Forbes acknowledged San Nicolas as the Street Art Capital of the Caribbean



WHEN?

The European Solidarity Corps project will last from 27th August to 17th September 2026.

Here you can find some important dates:

MURAL FESTIVAL

1 SEPT - 13 SEPT 2026

ARTTABLE

7 SEPT 2026

ARTFASHION

9 SEPT 2026

ART FAIR

11 SEPT - 13 SEPT 2026



WHY ARE YOU HERE?

Which are the objectives of our project?



To contribute and help ArtisA in the mission of changing San Nicolas' face



To experience the important role of the art to enhance a community



To impact local community through creativity and imagination



To live an international and intercultural experience



ACCOMODATION

Welcome to CAS AZUL!

Located in Pos Chiquito (10 mins from San Nicolas), Cas Azul is the house dedicated to the team projects. It's really big and can accommodate a maximum of 14 people (sometimes even more...). Pillows, beddings, towels, kitchen utensils, diving masks are provided with the house.



TRAVEL

Travel costs are covered by according to the ESC program. For travel distance of 8,000 km. or more, the maximum travel grant available is 1,735 euros per participant. Please note that this amount represents the maximum amount toward travel expenses. The potential participants are encouraged to compare different routes, airlines and travel options to find the best travel solution and communicate it to us. Find <https://erasmus-plus.ec.europa.eu/resourc->



TRANSPORTATION

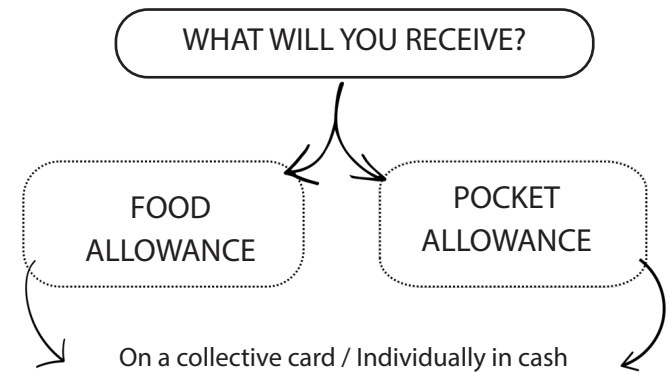
We will have a dedicated person to drive you to and from your workplaces with the van.

FOOD AND POCKET ALLOWANCE

In addition to the scheduled lunches and dinners at ArtisA, you will have a shared card for the grocery. It will be your responsibility to manage the grocery list according to your preferences and the available budget which will be communicated to you.

Separately from the food allowance which is 6.5 Euros per day per person each of you will receive a cash pocket allowance of 7 Euros per day for your individual expenses.

Aruban Florin is the local currency, but Dollar is accepted everywhere on the island!

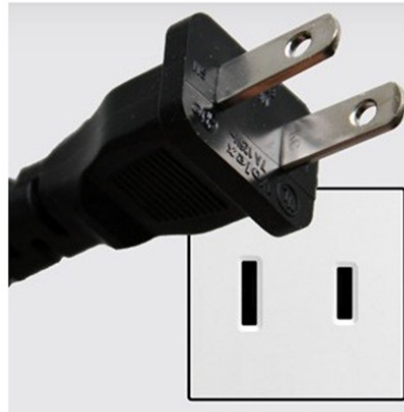


ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Before your travel

Don't forget this in your suitcase!

- Plug adapter (Type A/B)
- Work clothes
- Sunscreen
- Hat
- Rock shoes
- International credit card
- ED Card (to complete in the week before the flight to Aruba)



Type A



Type B

DURING YOUR TRAVEL TO ARUBA

You will all find each other in Amsterdam Airport and will take the same direct flight to Aruba!

WORK CLOTHES

There will be various tasks to complete, including preparing the spaces and moving things around, among others. For these activities, you can wear work clothes such as shorts or pants - whichever you feel most comfortable in. Please note that these clothes may get dirty or painted, so keep that in mind when choosing what to wear. Also, we ask you to pay attention to the length of the shorts and to keep it professional even in this setting. Skirts and very short shorts are NOT allowed.

For the event nights, such as the Art Table, Art Fair, and Art Fashion Show, you will be required to wear the official event shirt provided by the workplace, paired with black pants. We want to maintain a professional appearance throughout the events. Please note that the pants should not be sportswear, running or gym pants, or leggings, but rather jeans or trousers. Shorts are not allowed during the event nights.



Work outfit during the events

We are waiting for you!

In the meantime, here you can find some words in Papiamentu, the local language.

Bonbini!	Welcome!
Bon dia	Good Morning
Bon tardi	Good Afternoon
Bon nochi	Good Evening/ Good Night
Con bay?	How are you?
Bon	Good
Hopi bon	Really good/ Fine
Danki	Thank you
Masha Danki	Thank you very much
Ayo	Bye

