

Connecting
Through Music



European Intercultural
Youth Orchestra

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We build
bridges to a brighter
future in a united
Europe by connecting
through music.
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BISYOC

2021 will take place
in Germany, at Eberswalde
(very close to Berlin) between
the 28th of July and the
6th of August.

Who We Are and What We Aim to Achieve

We organise international orchestra courses aiming at connecting young people through music. These courses bring together young people from different European nations to rehearse and perform symphonic and chamber music works.

In addition to improving musical skills, we promote intercultural exchange between the participants and our audiences. Once a year we meet in a European country and rehearse a programme which is performed in three or four concerts, most often in regions that are rarely visited by symphonic orchestras.

The relationships between the participants are enriched and deepened by a colourful and entertaining cultural programme, which is planned for and carried out by the participants. The enthusiasm of the young musicians and their passion for music create the joyful atmosphere of the course and the overwhelmingly positive experience.

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It was much more than an orchestra, it was a lifetime experience for me! To this day I remember this unique mixture of musical work, cultural versatility, and friendship.

DOMINIK, GERMANY

BISYOC was my first experience playing in an orchestra with members from all across Europe. It was both a challenge and enjoyment. I felt very welcome in this group of young musicians.

**DRAGANA, REPUBLIC OF
NORTH MACEDONIA**

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Why You Should Join a Course

- Improving your musical skills and practising your English.
- Experiencing Europe in countries you may not have been to.
- Making new friends and meeting exciting people.

Why You Should Support Us

Supporting BISIYOC means

- Nurturing young people's musical and social development.
- Fostering art and culture in Europe.
- Promoting tolerance, intercultural understanding and respect.

The Charity and its Team

We are a charitable organisation based in Germany. The board consists of former participants and tutors combining the expertise of students, artists, and scientists from different countries. We are working on a voluntary basis, united by our passion of connecting cultures through music.

About the Course

Over the years, BISIYOC was held in seven countries. By now, close to 800 young musicians from the age of 16 to 26 from 32 countries have made BISIYOC their high-light of the summer. Our course usually takes place at the end of July and the beginning of August and lasts about twelve days. We rehearse a programme of symphonic works and chamber music, supported by a team of international tutors. The rehearsals start as sectionals (flute, viola, etc.) which are soon joined into combined sectionals (strings, woodwinds, etc.) and culminate in the Tutti (large symphony orchestra). The musical programme is accompanied by a diverse cultural programme, such as "International Food Night", "International Dance Night", and field trips. During the last days of the course, several concerts in different formats (symphony orchestra, chamber music, etc.) are performed.

At BISIYOC Our Mission is to

Give young musicians the opportunity to be part of a world class youth symphony orchestra

Promote communication and social skills by working together on a common project

Encourage understanding, respect and social responsibility through active intercultural exchange across Europe



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