



UDRUŽENJE GRAĐANA " POČITELJ "
ČAPLJINA



ADRIATICGREENET



CLUB di UDINE

ASSOCIATION of CITIZENS of "POČITELJ"

invite You to participate at

International Volunteers Camp in Bosnia and Herzegovina



"I take care of Počitelj ... because I want to take care of the world ..."

... this could be the slogan of the week organized by AdriaticGreenNet and the Association of Citizens of Počitelj, in collaboration with the UNESCO club of Udine.

The camp is open to everyone who wants to help the citizens of this beautiful place in the maintenance of public green and trails, and also wants to get known better Mostar and its surroundings. Počitelj is an ancient little city of medieval origins (like many little cities in Central Italy). After the conquest of Bosnia by the Ottoman Empire, homes and public buildings were built in classical Ottoman style and fortified by walls. Počitelj is situated in beautiful countryside near the Neretva River, which flows a few miles to the north below the "Stari Most" in the center of Mostar (old bridge recently rebuilt after damage during the war in '90s). Although Počitelj was virtually razed to the ground in those years, its inhabitants deported to the concentration camps, now Počitelj is completely rebuilt, and declared as "World Heritage" by UNESCO. Počitelj offers again its charm that had fascinated so many artists, starting with the Nobel Prize writer Ivo Andrić - "Na kamenu, u Počitelju" ("Upon a rock in Počitelj"):

"...A rare and precious place is this. At this remove the mind's eye looks out over time and the ties of men through the ages. Or so it seems for at least a moment. But that view, no matter how fleeting and incomplete, merits the search for such a place, redeems the deep sorrow of its existence."

in collaboration with the Association of Artists of Bosnia-Herzegovina

Structure and activities of the camp:

In addition to maintenance of common parts of the village (cleaning weeds, garbage collection, pruning bushes, cleaning trails, ...) there will be times devoted to the sightseeing of the surrounding area: trips to Mostar and its beautiful historical center; Blagaj where we will visit the castle (home of the ancient sovereigns of Bosnia) and the old Tekija (ancient home of the dervishes); Stolac area, where are very important archaeological sites.

Accommodation:

Participants will be hosted by families of Počitelj and at the Art Colony; hospitality includes accommodation in rooms with 2 or more beds and meals, except on days with excursions or free time to leave. The meals will be prepared with the involvement of volunteers and will be taken at the Art Colony.

Costs:

The camp is completely self-funded through fees for volunteers to cover food and accommodation in Počitelj, local transport, costs of organization and insurance and it is fixed at € **210.00 per participant**. To arrive in Počitelj, we will try to arrange a transport by private cars - that's not so expensive (for 4 persons in one car it would be about 25 to 30 € per person), while renting a van "ad hoc" would be 100 to 105 € per person.

Documents:

Identification card or passport is only required for citizens of EU and non-EU countries to enter into Croatia and Bosnia and Herzegovina. Visa is not necessary.

Camp timetable

18 august-	h. 17.00: arrival in Počitelj, accommodation and dinner with local associations
19 august-	h. 09.30-12.00: visit/sightseeing of old town h. 12.00: presentation of Camp, then lunch time h. 16.00: organization of works and recognition by teams; first activities - dinner
20 august-	h. 09.00: team works h. 13.00-16.00: lunch and rest time h. 16.00-19.00: meeting with artists, then dinner
21 august-	h. 09.00: team works h. 13.00-16.00: lunch and rest time h. 16.00-19.00: team works, then dinner
22 august-	h. 09.00: departure to Mostar – visit of center – free dinner – arrival in Počitelj at 23.00
23 august-	h. 09.00: team works h. 13.00-14.00: lunch time h. 14.00-20.00: trip to Blagaj – arrival in Počitelj for dinner
24 august-	h. 09.00: trip to Stolac – coming back to Počitelj at 17.30 h. 19.00: dinner – preparation of final event
25 august-	h. 09.00: team works h. 13.00-16.00: lunch and rest time h. 16.00-18.00: Camp conclusion – Final event with citizens of Počitelj and associations
26 august-	h. 10.00: Departure from Počitelj

Program could be changed also because of weather conditions or eventual opportunities that could happen... In the Balkan region, especially in Počitelj, nothing is sure...but all is possible!

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