

Press Release Athens Comics Library Refugee Week Greece 23/02/2022



<u>Refugee Week</u> is a global and dynamic movement, a cultural festival celebrating the contribution, creativity and authenticity of people having experienced forced migration. It takes place every year on the 20th of June, on <u>World Refugee Day</u>. This year, it is coming to Greece with the initiative of Athens Comics Library.

The initiative is a cultural festival, part of a dynamic global movement, and promotes the contribution, creativity and resilience of refugees and people seeking refuge. The event is implemented with the kind support of the Municipality of Athens through the Department of Support and Social Integration of Immigrants and Refugees of the Directorate of Social Solidarity.

The communication is supported by Refugee.info, the Refugee Trauma Initiative and the Coordination Centre of the Municipality of Athens for Immigrants and Refugees (ACCMR).

The event is also supported by the Special Secretariat for the Protection of Unaccompanied Minors.

This Refugee Week's theme is <u>healing</u>, and celebrates the capacity and strength that a new start in life requires. Our aim is to change the narrative around refugees and migrant communities, and to share our stories, to heal together in the face of the contemporary challenges of our societies.

Refugee Week is a platform in which all are welcome to take part in, whether it is attending or organizing an event, activity or workshop. Already, prominent refugee organisations in Greece are participating by sharing their message of solidarity, inclusion and social equality. <u>HERE</u>, you can see how you can also become part of our community.

Refugee Week Greece aspires to build a stronger collaboration between various stakeholders that can share and create a positive message for refugees, one that prones us to change our everyday lives and work on more inclusive societies together.

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Teaser Video

Refugee Week Greece 2022 https://youtu.be/PfYbZUCeUkw



The next monthly online meeting to co-design Refugee Week Greece 2022, will take place on Monday 21/03 at 12:00

You can log in via the link: <u>ZOOM LINK</u> <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/j/2491783927</u>

We are looking forward to seeing you all, to answer any questions more and discuss your ideas!

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Refugee Info

Refugee Trauma Initiative

Κέντρο Συντονισμού του Δήμου Αθηναίων για θέματα Μεταναστών και Προσφύγων (Athens Coordination Center for Migrant and Refugee issues - ACCMR)







Timeline

- February May 2022: Workshops and Community Engagement
- May 2022: Digital Campaign
- June 20-26, 2022: Festival with events across Greece
- July 2022: Making of the comic book "Refugee Week Greece"



Thank you to all other organisations, community members and individual professionals who joined this creative process and Refugee Week Greece 2022.

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