

# **About SEEDS**

SEEDS Iceland was founded in 2005 as a non-governmental, non-profit volunteer organisation with international scope. Our main activities relate to the promotion of environmental protection and awareness, intercultural understanding and peace, through voluntary work on social, cultural and environmental projects in Iceland.

We aim to empower, inform and expand the horizons of people of all ages, cultures, and backgrounds, to inform and share with them about the world in which we live and to take an active role in its future development.

SEEDS provides opportunities to live, learn, understand and experience, while sharing and cooperating with others from different cultures and backgrounds.



### SEEDS Projects & Activities

SEEDS works closely with local communities, local authorities and other Icelandic associations both to develop projects in partnership, aimed at fulfilling an identified need, and to give vital assistance to established initiatives. Projects are designed to be mutually beneficial to all involved: the volunteers and participants, the local hosting communities and Iceland as a whole.

By having a diverse array of projects and bringing together people from different backgrounds, creating more opportunities; we try to fulfil our vision and build on our founding ideas.

Activities developed by SEEDS include:

- Voluntary service
- International learning camps and exchanges
- Internships and lifelong learning programmes
- Awareness-raising initiatives and campaigns
- Seminars and training sessions
- Cultural, artistic and educational exhibitions

Our projects in Iceland are funded and supported by:

- Contributions from volunteers and participants in the projects
- The Erasmus+ Programme of the European Commission
- Engagement of our long-term volunteers and interns
- Additional non-financial contributions in kind from the local hosts of the projects

We are members of the Icelandic National Youth Council (LÆF), the Icelandic Environment Association (LANDVERND), the Senior European Volunteers Exchange Network (SEVEN) and work actively as partner organisation of the Alliance of European Voluntary Service Organisations (The Alliance) and Service Civil International (SCI).



During 2019 we organised 95 different projects located in every corner of Iceland; we hosted nearly 1000 International volunteers from 47 different countries! During 2020, despite the pandemic, SEEDS managed to organise 39 camps (10 of which virtual) and we had a total of 472 participants from 42 different countries.

Volunteers performed different types of tasks. For instance, ecological research, removing invasive plant growth, building hiking trails, cleaning up the coastline, reforestation and erosion control work as well as construction or renovation of buildings, monuments and artistic heritage. In cultural/festival/sports related projects, SEEDS came into action by helping in the organisation of the events and also by taking an active part in them. SEEDS also works to promote sustainable tourism in local communities, supporting the local economy and helping to keep small and remote towns alive.

# **SEEDS' Philosophy**

We bring together volunteers and hosts from different nationalities and backgrounds, aiming at building up intercultural understanding and encouraging peace, while working for an identified need within a community.

We enable our participants and volunteers to get to know Iceland from a different perspective, to meet the locals and have an insight into Icelandic culture, learn new skills, gain intercultural understanding, make new friends all over the world, and give something back to the environment.

Through our Environmentally Aware programme, SEEDS shares environmental messages with the international and local participants in our projects.

The rewards for the volunteers, participants, communities and ecosystems are massive, while interacting with local and foreign participants, they learn about various cultures, have the opportunity to build friendships, while they develop new skills working in challenging and unfamiliar surroundings.





# SEEDS Iceland - List of camps for 2021

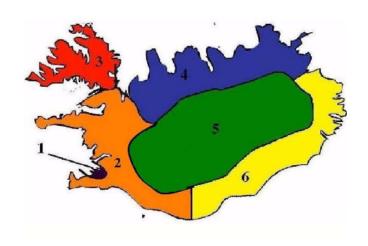
For easy browsing and navigation, you can click the hyperlink of each project name/location in the table to go directly to the workcamps' description. To return to this table, you can click on each description's title.

# \* Camp types or themes:

VIRT (Virtual camp)

AGRI (Agriculture)
ARCH (Archeology)
ARTS (Cultural - Arts)
CONS (Construction)
CULT (Cultural)
EDU (Education - Teaching)
ENVI (Environment - Nature)
FEST (Festival)
HERI (Heritage)
LANG (Language learning)
MANU (Manual work)
RENO (Renovation, Restoration)
SOCI (Social)
SPORT (Sports events, Healthy lifestyle)
STUD (Study theme, Discussion, Research)

# Location/Area on the map of Iceland:



Code	Name/Location	Dates	Type*	Vols.	Age	Area
SEEDS 001.	Environment & Photography in the New Year	07.01 - 16.01	ENVI/ARTS/STUD	8 - 12	18+	1
SEEDS 002.	Environment & Photography - January	19.01 - 28.01	ENVI/ARTS/STUD	8 - 12	18+	1
SEEDS 003.	Environment & Photography - Winter in Reykjavík	02.02 - 11.02	ENVI/ARTS/STUD	8 - 12	18+	1
SEEDS 004	Environment & Photography - February	16.02 - 25.02	ENVI/ARTS/STUD	8 - 12	18+	1
SEEDS 005.	Environment & Photography - March	02.03 - 11.03	ENVI/ARTS/STUD	8 - 12	18+	1
SEEDS 006.	Environment March & Photography in Reykjavík	16.03 - 25.03	ENVI/ARTS/STUD	8 - 12	18+	1
SEEDS 007.	Environment & Photography - Easter in Reykjavík	30.03 - 08.04	ENVI/ARTS/STUD	8 - 12	18+	1
SEEDS 008.	Environment & Photography - April	13.04 - 22.04	ENVI/ARTS/STUD	8 - 12	18+	1
SEEDS 009.	Environment & Photography - Spring in Reykjavík	27.04 - 06.05	ENVI/ARTS/STUD	8 - 12	18+	1
SEEDS 011.	Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting in Reykjavík	11.05 - 19.05	ENVI/STUD	8 - 12	18+	1
SEEDS 012.	<u>Island of Viðey (1/2)</u>	11.05 - 20.05	ENVI/CONS/RENO	8	18+	1
SEEDS 014.	Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting in Reykjavík	25.05 - 02.06	ENVI/STUD	8 - 12	18+	1
SEEDS 016.	Environment & Art - Reykjavík Arts Festival	29.05 - 12.06	ENVI/ARTS/CULT	8 - 12	18+	1



SEEDS 017.	The Highlands North of Vatnajökull Glacier	02.06 - 15.06	ENVI/CONS/RENO	8	18+	5
SEEDS 018.	<u>Highlands of Iceland - The Famous Kjölur Road (1/2)</u>	06.06 - 19.06 ENVI/CONS/RENO		6	18+	5
SEEDS 019.	Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting in Reykjavík	08.06 - 16.06	ENVI/STUD	8 - 12	18+	1
SEEDS 020.	Midnight Sun & Photography in Reykjavík	08.06 - 16.06	ARTS/STUD	8 - 12	16-20	1
SEEDS 025.	Between Glaciers & Lava	18.06 - 29.06	ARTS/CULT/CONS	8	18+	2
SEEDS 027.	Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting in Reykjavík	22.06 - 30.06	ENVI/STUD	8 - 12	18+	1
SEEDS 028.	Summer Solstice & Photography in Reykjavík	22.06 - 30.06	ARTS/STUD	8 - 12	16-20	1
SEEDS 031.	Hitting the Slopes - Blue Mountains & Skálafell (1/2)	27.06 - 11.07	CONS/ENVI/RENO	8	18+	1
SEEDS 033.	Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting in Reykjavík	05.07 - 13.07	ENVI/STUD	8 - 12	18+	1
SEEDS 034.	Midnight Sun & Photography in Reykjavík	05.07 - 13.07	ARTS/STUD	8 - 12	16-20	1
SEEDS 037.	Hitting the Slopes - Blue Mountains & Skálafell (2/2)	11.07 - 24.07	CONS/ENVI/RENO	8	18+	1
SEEDS 039.	Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting in Reykjavík	13.07 - 21.07	ENVI/STUD	8 - 12	18+	1
SEEDS 040.	Summer Photography in Reykjavík	13.07 - 21.07	ARTS/STUD	8 - 12	16-20	1
SEEDS 043.	Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting in Reykjavík	21.07 - 29.07	ENVI/STUD	8 - 12	18+	1
SEEDS 044.	<u>July Photo Marathon in Reykjavík</u>	21.07 - 29.07	ARTS/STUD	8 - 12	16-20	1
SEEDS 047.	Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting in Reykjavík	29.07 - 06.08	ENVI/STUD	8 - 12	18+	1
SEEDS 048.	Summer Photo Marathon in Reykjavík	29.07 - 06.08	ARTS/STUD	8 - 12	16-20	1
SEEDS 050.	Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting in Reykjavík	06.08 - 14.08	ENVI/STUD	8 - 12	18+	1
SEEDS 051.	<u>August Photo Marathon in Reykjavík</u>	06.08 - 14.08	ARTS/STUD	8 - 12	16-20	1
SEEDS 052.	Botanical Gardens in Reykjavik	08.08 - 21.08	ENVI/MANU	6-8	20+	1
SEEDS 053.	Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting in Reykjavík	14.08 - 22.08	ENVI/STUD	8 - 12	18+	1
SEEDS 054.	Photography & Culture Night in Reykjavík	14.08 - 22.08	ARTS/STUD	8 - 12	16-20	1
SEEDS 056.	Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting in Reykjavík	22.08 - 30.08	ENVI/STUD	8 - 12	18+	1
SEEDS 057.	Photography & Fun in Reykjavík	22.08 - 30.08	ARTS/STUD	8 - 12	16-20	1
SEEDS 058.	Botanical Gardens in Reykjavik	22.08 - 04.09	ENVI/MANU	6-8	20+	1
SEEDS 059.	Highlands of Iceland - The Famous Kjölur Road (2/2)	22.08 - 04.09	ENVI/CONS/RENO	8	18+	5
SEEDS 061.	Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting in Reykjavík	30.08 - 07.09	ENVI/STUD	8 - 12	18+	1
SEEDS 062.	September Photography in Reykjavík	30.08 - 07.09	ARTS/STUD	8 - 12	16-20	1
SEEDS 065.	Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting in Reykjavík	07.09 - 15.09	ENVI/STUD	8 - 12	18+	1
SEEDS 064.	<u>Forestry in the Far East of Iceland</u>	04.09 - 19.09	ENVI/CONS	6	18+	6
SEEDS 066.	<u>Island of Viðey (2/2)</u>	07.09 - 16.09	ENVI/CONS/RENO	8	18+	1
SEEDS 067.	Environment & Photography - September	21.09 - 30.09	ENVI/ARTS/STUD	12	18+	1
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SEEDS 069.	Environment & Photography - October	05.10 - 14.10	ENVI/ARTS/STUD	12	18+	1
SEEDS 071.	Environment & Photography - Autumn	19.10 - 28.10	ENVI/ARTS/STUD	12	18+	1
SEEDS 073.	Environment & Photography - Winter	02.11 - 11.11	ENVI/ARTS/STUD	8	18+	1
SEEDS 075.	Environment & Photography - November	16.11 - 25.11	ENVI/ARTS/STUD	8	18+	1
SEEDS 077.	Environment & Photography - December	30.11 - 09.12	ENVI/ARTS/STUD	8	18+	1
SEEDS 079.	Environment & Photography - Advent	14.12 - 23.12	ENVI/ARTS/STUD	8	18+	1
SEEDS 081.	Environment & Photography - New years	28.12 - 06.01	ENVI/ARTS/STUD	8	18+	1
SEEDS 101.	Environmentally Aware - Learn from Home	07.01 - 16.01	ENVI/STUD/VIRT	12	16+	-
SEEDS 102.	Environmentally Aware - Learn from Home	19.01 - 28.01	ENVI/STUD/VIRT	12	16+	-
SEEDS 103.	Environmentally Aware - Learn from Home	02.02 - 11.02	ENVI/STUD/VIRT	12	16+	-
SEEDS 104.	Environmentally Aware - Learn from Home	16.02 - 25.02	ENVI/STUD/VIRT	12	16+	-
SEEDS 105.	Environmentally Aware - Learn from Home	02.03 - 11.03	ENVI/STUD/VIRT	12	16+	=
SEEDS 106.	Environmentally Aware - Learn from Home	16.03 - 25.03	ENVI/STUD/VIRT	12	16+	=
SEEDS 107.	Environmentally Aware - Learn from Home	30.03 - 08.04	ENVI/STUD/VIRT	12	16+	=
SEEDS 108.	Environmentally Aware - Learn from Home	13.04 - 22.04	ENVI/STUD/VIRT	12	16+	-
SEEDS 109.	Environmentally Aware - Learn from Home	27.04 - 06.05	ENVI/STUD/VIRT	12	16+	-
SEEDS 110.	Environmentally Aware - Learn from Home	21.09 - 30.09	ENVI/STUD/VIRT	12	16+	=
SEEDS 111.	Environmentally Aware - Learn from Home	19.10 - 28.10	ENVI/STUD/VIRT	12	16+	-
SEEDS 112	Environmentally Aware - Learn from Home	02.11 - 11.11	ENVI/STUD/VIRT	12	16+	-
SEEDS 113	Environmentally Aware - Learn from Home	16.11 - 25.11	ENVI/STUD/VIRT	12	16+	-
SEEDS 114	Environmentally Aware - Learn from Home	30.11 - 09.12	ENVI/STUD/VIRT	12	16+	-
SEEDS 115	Environmentally Aware - Learn from Home	14.12 - 23.12	ENVI/STUD/VIRT	12	16+	-
SEEDS 116	Environmentally Aware - Learn from Home	28.12 - 06.01	ENVI/STUD/VIRT	12	16+	
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# Practical information about our projects:

# 1. Participation Fees

Participation fees are required in order to take part in our camps. These help to support the ongoing work of SEEDS. Please be aware that your entire fee might not necessarily go towards your particular camp and can instead be used to:

- Bear the administrative expenditures of the association: Salaries, rent, office bills (energy, phone, electricity, insurance, heating), personnel, external representation, mail, website, postage, equipment, supplies, banking costs, legal formalities, etc.
- Provide financial support and resources to aid the development of some of our other activities, to pay for food or accommodation in some of the projects, where the hosts do not provide it, co-funding for our long-term voluntary service projects and the development of particular sessions in the camps.
- Cover other costs associated with your camp, e.g. food, accommodation, transportation, and administrative costs
- Support the costs of the long-term volunteers and project coordinators.

SEEDS works with partner sending organisations in many countries around the world and most of them raise funds by sending volunteers abroad and charging outgoing volunteers a registration fee. However, in Iceland we face a particular challenge for two reasons: voluntary service is not very popular among Icelanders yet, and the Icelandic population is very small, so the number of volunteers sent by SEEDS overseas does not represent sufficient income to run our association.

Furthermore, SEEDS does not receive any regular government funding, or financial support from our local, regional or national authorities or government. Thanks to the fees contributed by our participants we are able to run the association and to offer the program of varied projects all year round.

The amount of the fees will be stated in each camp's description. The fees we charge are different depending on the season of the year and the demand for particular projects; during the summer they are higher as we have a greater demand for this short period and it is the time when SEEDS raises most of its income to sustain the association for the whole year.

SEEDS is a non-profit organisation; all funds go back into improving the quality and service we provide to our participants, volunteers and hosts, expanding the range of SEEDS projects and carrying out projects in areas where funds are not available or to provide food and accommodation to the volunteers.

# 2. Insurance

Volunteers and participants in our camps need to obtain health and accident insurance for the whole duration of their travel, prior to their arrival to Iceland and bring with them all necessary documents, contact numbers, etc.

European volunteers are advised to take with them the European Health Insurance Card (EHIC). Iceland is part of the European Economic Area (EEA), so volunteers residing in a member country of the EU or of the EEA and Switzerland benefit from the use of the EHIC here, having access to the Icelandic healthcare system as in any European country with the same conditions as Icelandic citizens and will be treated on the same basis as residents of Iceland.

Volunteers residing outside the EEA must seek private medical/travel insurance for the duration of the stay. It is strongly advised that this be obtained before leaving the country of residence, as the cost of insuring in Iceland will be much higher.

Volunteers without insurance will not be allowed to participate in our projects.



### 3. Travel to Iceland

We suggest our volunteers research travelling with different airlines/alternatives as fares for different companies may vary significantly according to the dates of travel. There are currently 5 airlines flying to Keflavík (Reykjavík) International Airport all year round (though please be advised that due to the pandemic crisis, the situation may change):

1. Icelandair: www.icelandair.net

2. Wizzair: www.wizzair.com

3. Lufthansa: www.lufthansa.com

4. Air Baltic: <a href="www.airbaltic.com">www.airbaltic.com</a>5. Air Greenland: <a href="www.airgreenland.com">www.airgreenland.com</a>

To check the **map routes** and destinations for **Icelandair**, please see the <u>Icelandair route map</u>. **Wizz Air** often has cheap flights from more destinations around Europe.

Apart from these 5 airlines, there will be a few others flying to Iceland:

a. Air Iceland Connect: www.airicelandconnect.com

b. American Airlines: <a href="www.aa.com">www.aa.com</a>c. Atlantic Airways: <a href="www.atlantic.fo">www.atlantic.fo</a>

d. Austrian Airlines: www.austrian.com

e. **British Airways:** www.ba.com

f. Czech Airlines: www.csa.cz

g. **Delta Airlines:** <u>www.delta.com</u>

h. **EasyJet:** <u>www.easyjet.com</u>

i. Finnair: www.finnair.com

j. **Jet2:** <u>www.jet2.com</u>

k. KLM: www.klm.com

I. Norwegian: www.norwegian.no

m. Scandinavian Airlines (SAS): www.scandinavian.net www.flysas.com www.flysas.is

n. **Smartwings:** <u>www.smartwings.com</u>

o. ThomsonFly: <u>www.edreams.com</u>

p. Transavia France: <u>www.transavia.com</u>

q. Vueling: www.vueling.com

Volunteers might find good deals and help with connecting flights and general trip planning at:

www.skyscanner.net	www.dohop.com	www.edreams.com
www.ebookers.com	www.opodo.com	www.kayak.com
www.kiwi.com		

Lastly, for when volunteers have plenty of time to spare, the **Smyril Line** operates a ferry service to the east of Iceland. This is a four to seven day sea adventure for travellers and stops at the Faroe Islands on the way. (<a href="https://www.smyrilline.com/">https://www.smyrilline.com/</a>)

### 4. Arrival and Departure dates (Pandemic times)

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, travel restrictions have affected travelling to Iceland too. Volunteers coming to join our camps need to be aware of everything that needs to be taken into account when planning a trip to Iceland under these circumstances.

Because the situation is subject to frequent change, we have compiled a document with all the relevant information that will be updated regularly. Please find the document under the following link.



(When opening the document at a later time, please make sure to refresh your browser's cache, so that it will show you the latest version.)

https://seeds.is/files/2020/SEEDS Iceland Travel Information COVID.pdf

# 5. Arrival and Departure dates (Regular times)

Volunteers participating in our projects taking place **outside Reykjavík should arrive to Iceland the latest one day before the camp starts**, as travel to the project, if arranged by SEEDS (see point 6 below), will leave Reykjavík on the first day of the camp in the morning.

If volunteers choose to travel by different means, they might need more than one day to reach the destination by public transportation services. In the same way, volunteers shall not book their **return journey** the day the camp ends, but **the earliest one day after the camp finishes**. In this way volunteers ensure they will be able to join the camp for its full length.

Participants in our camps in Reykjavík do not need to arrive one day earlier to Iceland as they can reach the accommodation the same day of their arrival.

Looking at our previous experience with volunteers, you could consider staying longer in Iceland; either before and/or after the project. Volunteers may group together and decide to travel the country and visit different areas to those of the project itself.

# 6. Domestic transport - Minibus

SEEDS organises shared transport from Reykjavík to the projects' sites for all of the camps outside the city. The meeting point will be in Reykjavík on the first day of the camp, in the morning.

The minibus option is offered by SEEDS to volunteers in order to provide them a more convenient way to reach the camp, to allow them to meet their fellow participants and leaders earlier, and to have a relaxed trip to the camp location, with the opportunity to visit particular sites on the way and stop wherever possible (e.g. to take pictures or take a short walk).

We try to research all possible transportation to the projects and then offer a fair price for transportation compared with the public transport options available. We recommend that you take the minibus, but please feel free to investigate your own transport.

### 7. SEEDS' Accommodation in Reykjavik

Volunteers do not need to book any accommodation for the period of the camp, as SEEDS provides accommodation and food during the project, but you will need accommodation on the days before or/and after the workcamp.

#### 8. Language

Knowledge of Icelandic is not needed in our projects. English is the language used by our leaders and messengers. Therefore, basic knowledge of English is expected from participants, even though it is not a requirement to fulfill.

### 9. Age

While most of our volunteers are aged 18 or over, we also offer projects specifically for participants 16 to 20 years old. Volunteers under the age of 18 need to apply through a slightly different procedure, which involves parental/guardian authorisation.

We do not have any upper age limit. So far our youngest volunteer was 15 and the oldest 70!



# 10. Conditions of Participation

In order to be fully aware of volunteers' and participants' responsibilities during the camps, please read carefully the following:

- Participants are expected to be active members of the group and contribute to work, housekeeping and free time activities.
- Volunteers are expected to work seven to eight hours per day, five days per week, on a voluntary basis.
- Your independence will be respected during the camp but the camp leader has the ultimate
  responsibility for you and your safety during our camp in Iceland thus they will have to sort out
  the problems if you get lost or injured. If you wish to do an activity independently of the group,
  you must discuss it with the camp leaders and they must be fully aware of your plans.
- Participants are expected to inform the camp leader in case they want to spend the free time away from the camp. However, they should not spend the night away, nor host other people at the camp.
- SEEDS camp leaders have been trained to run the camps; they are responsible for organising
  work, food, contacts with local authorities and many other things. Do not forget that they are
  volunteers as well, so try to cooperate with them at work and during free time activities. Camp
  leaders are not fully responsible for organising volunteers' free time and they expect their
  ideas and contribution to do so.
- Smoking is not allowed in the accommodation areas. Use of alcohol should be moderate with consideration and only during free time.
- Participants are expected to stay for the whole duration of the camp. If they MUST leave early or arrive late, they should contact SEEDS in advance.
- Keep in mind that the use of any kind of drugs is strictly forbidden.
- Volunteers without insurance will not be allowed to participate in our projects.
- SEEDS does not accept any kind of discrimination in our camps and such cases will be strictly dealt with.
- Individuals participating in SEEDS camps acknowledge and agree that they are solely responsible for determining their ability, fitness and suitability to participate. If there are any physical problems or conditions that would impair volunteers' ability to participate in the camps, they should let SEEDS know in advance.
- SEEDS, or any third party that SEEDS works with, such as hosts and municipalities, is not accountable for any damages, losses, injuries and liabilities. Participants agree not to file any claims.
- Participants in SEEDS projects hereby release, discharge, hold harmless and indemnify SEEDS, its affiliates and their respective members, employees, projects hosts and representatives from all damages, losses, injuries, liabilities, claims demands and causes of action for personal injury, death or damage to personal property.

We would like to remind you that SEEDS is **NOT** an alternative travel agency; our projects are not cheap holidays. Therefore we expect a high level of motivation from every participant, cooperation, flexibility and open-mindedness! Our camps are based on self-organisation and self-management and this is also what makes them unique and enriching! Please do not expect the leader to organise everything for the group, but be ready to contribute with your own ideas and personality.



# 11. Additional information

For more details and up to date information please visit us at www.seeds.is

Or contact us via email at: <u>contact@seeds.is</u>

Or at our phone number:  $\pm 3547713300$ 

If you want to see pictures from our projects in the last years, please visit our website:

http://www.seeds.is/galleries

or our Instagram:

https://www.instagram.com/seedsiceland/

You can also follow SEEDS on Facebook at:

https://www.facebook.com/seedsiceland





### SEEDS 001. Environment & Photography in the New Year

07.01 - 16.01 ENVI / ARTS / STUD 8 -12 Participants

Age: 18+

**PROJECT:** During this camp, participants can share their love for (and learn more about) global 8 local environmental issues, as well as photography. If you are interested in topics such as climate change, waste management, animal protection and sustainability, and you also love taking photographs or want to develop your photography skills, then this project is for you!

While developing artistic and technical photography skills, you will be focusing on environmental and sustainability issues through non-formal activities such as workshops, discussions, presentations and visits facilitated by SEEDS. One of our aims is to help create more environmentally aware consumers & travellers!

You will visit local projects on environment and conservation. These may include hands-on activities or guided visits. Some examples include outdoor cleanup tasks, a community dinner or a visit to a recycling centre, a geothermal power plant, a museum or exhibition. Some of these activities are dependent on conditions such as weather, pandemic-related restrictions, as well as availability of our partner organisations.

You will also have time to put the theory about photography into practice, walking around and exploring the city. At the end of the camp, the best photographs from each participant are selected for an online exhibition on SEEDS' social media. Participants should bring their own digital cameras, lenses, tripods and laptops if possible.

SEEDS' programme combines learning, sharing, hands-on activities, getting to know Iceland, its culture, having fun, exploring the city and stunning natural attractions in the Golden Circle or other excursions. Participants should prepare to share environmental issues from their countries and should be ready to spend time outdoors walking medium distances during activities and sightseeing.

Note this project is a learning/sharing camp and not a standard workcamp. This project has a smaller work part and puts a bigger emphasis on the personal learning process than on the community impact.

In this project SEEDS will organise a night photography and aurora hunting (Northern Lights) workshop in the countryside near Reykjavík. This will take place during late evening and possibly into the night. **Northern lights** are a natural phenomenon depending on solar activity and meteorological conditions; we cannot guarantee you will see northern lights, but the night photography workshop will be organised anyway.

**ACCOMMODATION**: SEEDS participants will stay in a house in Reykjavík. The facilities are basic with a kitchen, showers, and a washing machine. Everyone is expected to show consideration for their companions. Participants will sleep in shared rooms or dormitories. Please bring your own sleeping bag.

Volunteers will receive food supplies and will be in charge of cooking and cleaning. Please note the food SEEDS provides will be **vegetarian**. Do not forget to bring some traditional/typical food, drinks, recipes, music, games or movies from your country for the international evening. Please be aware some items or ingredients may be expensive in Iceland and you will need to buy them yourselves or bring them from your country.

**LOCATION**: Reykjavík is a dynamic, modern city which lives in harmony with nature, using renewable energy sources. The world's northernmost capital bridges the Atlantic, between Europe and North America. Reykjavík is spread across a peninsula with a panoramic view of the mountains and the Atlantic. It is an international city with a lively cosmopolitan cultural scene surrounded by beautiful nature.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; intermediate conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

**EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS**: Participation fee **EUR 300 (Euros)**. The fee can either be transferred in advance via **bank transfer**, or paid **in cash** on arrival. It includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first day), the visits available, the Golden Circle excursion and the night photography & aurora hunting workshop.

Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) on 7 January at SEEDS Office in Reykjavik. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later or delayed flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp on their own.

It may be very cold and/or rainy, so we recommend bringing warm and waterproof clothes (underlayers, overcoats, scarves, gloves and hats), good walking shoes, as some of the activities take place outdoors.



### SEEDS 002. Environment & Photography - January

19.01 - 28.01 ENVI / ARTS / STUD 8 - 12 Participants

Age: 18+

**PROJECT:** During this camp, participants can share their love for (and learn more about) global 8 local environmental issues, as well as photography. If you are interested in topics such as climate change, waste management, animal protection and sustainability, and you also love taking photographs or want to develop your photography skills, then this project is for you!

While developing artistic and technical photography skills, you will be focusing on environmental and sustainability issues through non-formal activities such as workshops, discussions, presentations and visits facilitated by SEEDS. One of our aims is to help create more environmentally aware consumers & travellers!

You will visit local projects on environment and conservation. These may include hands-on activities or guided visits. Some examples include outdoor cleanup tasks, a community dinner or a visit to a recycling centre, a geothermal power plant, a museum or exhibition. Some of these activities are dependent on conditions such as weather, pandemic-related restrictions, as well as availability of our partner organisations.

You will also have time to put the theory about photography into practice, walking around and exploring the city. At the end of the camp, the best photographs from each participant are selected for an online exhibition on SEEDS' social media. Participants should bring their own digital cameras, lenses, tripods and laptops if possible.

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**ACCOMMODATION**: SEEDS participants will stay in a house in Reykjavík. The facilities are basic with a kitchen, showers, and a washing machine. Everyone is expected to show consideration for their companions. Participants will sleep in shared rooms or dormitories. Please bring your own sleeping bag.

Volunteers will receive food supplies and will be in charge of cooking and cleaning. Please note the food SEEDS provides will be **vegetarian**. Do not forget to bring some traditional/typical food, drinks, recipes, music, games or movies from your country for the international evening. Please be aware some items or ingredients may be expensive in Iceland and you will need to buy them yourselves or bring them from your country.

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LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; intermediate conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

**EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS**: Participation fee **EUR 300 (Euros)**. The fee can either be transferred in advance via **bank transfer**, or paid **in cash** on arrival. It includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first day), the visits available, the Golden Circle excursion and the night photography & aurora hunting workshop.

Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) on 19 January at SEEDS Office in Reykjavik. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later or delayed flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp on their own.



#### SEEDS 003. Environment & Photography - Winter in Reykjavík

02.02 - 11.02 ENVI / ARTS / STUD 8 - 12 Participants

Age: 18+

**PROJECT:** During this camp, participants can share their love for (and learn more about) global 8 local environmental issues, as well as photography. If you are interested in topics such as climate change, waste management, animal protection and sustainability, and you also love taking photographs or want to develop your photography skills, then this project is for you!

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**ACCOMMODATION**: SEEDS participants will stay in a house in Reykjavík. The facilities are basic with a kitchen, showers, and a washing machine. Everyone is expected to show consideration for their companions. Participants will sleep in shared rooms or dormitories. Please bring your own sleeping bag.

Volunteers will receive food supplies and will be in charge of cooking and cleaning. Please note the food SEEDS provides will be **vegetarian**. Do not forget to bring some traditional/typical food, drinks, recipes, music, games or movies from your country for the international evening. Please be aware some items or ingredients may be expensive in Iceland and you will need to buy them yourselves or bring them from your country.

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LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; intermediate conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

**EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS**: Participation fee **EUR 300 (Euros)**. The fee can either be transferred in advance via **bank transfer**, or paid **in cash** on arrival. It includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first day), the visits available, the Golden Circle excursion and the night photography & aurora hunting workshop.

Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) on 2 February at SEEDS Office in Reykjavik. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later or delayed flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp on their own.



#### SEEDS 004. Environment & Photography - February

16.02 - 25.02 ENVI / ARTS / STUD 8 - 12 Participants

Age: 18+

**PROJECT:** During this camp, participants can share their love for (and learn more about) global 8 local environmental issues, as well as photography. If you are interested in topics such as climate change, waste management, animal protection and sustainability, and you also love taking photographs or want to develop your photography skills, then this project is for you!

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LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; intermediate conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

**EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS**: Participation fee **EUR 300 (Euros)**. The fee can either be transferred in advance via **bank transfer**, or paid **in cash** on arrival. It includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first day), the visits available, the Golden Circle excursion and the night photography & aurora hunting workshop.

Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) on 16 February at SEEDS Office in Reykjavik. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later or delayed flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp on their own.



#### SEEDS 005. Environment & Photography - March

02.03 - 11.03 ENVI / ARTS / STUD 8 - 12 Participants

Age: 18+

**PROJECT:** During this camp, participants can share their love for (and learn more about) global 8 local environmental issues, as well as photography. If you are interested in topics such as climate change, waste management, animal protection and sustainability, and you also love taking photographs or want to develop your photography skills, then this project is for you!

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LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; intermediate conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

**EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS**: Participation fee **EUR 300 (Euros)**. The fee can either be transferred in advance via **bank transfer**, or paid **in cash** on arrival. It includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first day), the visits available, the Golden Circle excursion and the night photography & aurora hunting workshop.

Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) on 2 March at SEEDS Office in Reykjavik. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later or delayed flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp on their own.



#### SEEDS 006. Environment March & Photography in Reykjavík

16.03 - 25.03 ENVI / ARTS / STUD 8 - 12 Participants

Age: 18+

**PROJECT:** During this camp, participants can share their love for (and learn more about) global 8 local environmental issues, as well as photography. If you are interested in topics such as climate change, waste management, animal protection and sustainability, and you also love taking photographs or want to develop your photography skills, then this project is for you!

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LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; intermediate conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

**EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS**: Participation fee **EUR 300 (Euros)**. The fee can either be transferred in advance via **bank transfer**, or paid **in cash** on arrival. It includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first day), the visits available, the Golden Circle excursion and the night photography & aurora hunting workshop.

Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) on 16 March at SEEDS Office in Reykjavik. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later or delayed flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp on their own.



#### SEEDS 007. Environment & Photography - Easter in Reykjavík

30.03 - 08.04 ENVI / ARTS / STUD 8 - 12 Participants

Age: 18+

**PROJECT:** During this camp, participants can share their love for (and learn more about) global & local environmental issues, as well as photography. If you are interested in topics such as climate change, waste management, animal protection and sustainability, and you also love taking photographs or want to develop your photography skills, then this project is for you!

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LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; intermediate conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

**EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS**: Participation fee **EUR 350 (Euros)**. The fee can either be transferred in advance via **bank transfer**, or paid **in cash** on arrival. It includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first day), the visits available, the Golden Circle excursion and the night photography & aurora hunting workshop.

Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) on 30 March at SEEDS Office in Reykjavik. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later or delayed flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp on their own.



#### SEEDS 008. Environment & Photography - April

13.04 - 22.04 ENVI / ARTS / STUD 8 - 12 Participants

Age: 18+

**PROJECT:** During this camp, participants can share their love for (and learn more about) global 8 local environmental issues, as well as photography. If you are interested in topics such as climate change, waste management, animal protection and sustainability, and you also love taking photographs or want to develop your photography skills, then this project is for you!

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LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; intermediate conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

**EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS**: Participation fee **EUR 300 (Euros)**. The fee can either be transferred in advance via **bank transfer**, or paid **in cash** on arrival. It includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first day), the visits available, the Golden Circle excursion and the night photography & aurora hunting workshop.

Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) on 13 April at SEEDS Office in Reykjavik. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later or delayed flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp on their own.



#### SEEDS 009. Environment & Photography - Spring in Reykjavík

27.04 - 06.05 ENVI / ARTS / STUD 8 - 12 Participants

Age: 18+

**PROJECT:** During this camp, participants can share their love for (and learn more about) global 8 local environmental issues, as well as photography. If you are interested in topics such as climate change, waste management, animal protection and sustainability, and you also love taking photographs or want to develop your photography skills, then this project is for you!

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LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; intermediate conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

**EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS**: Participation fee **EUR 300 (Euros)**. The fee can either be transferred in advance via **bank transfer**, or paid **in cash** on arrival. It includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first day), the visits available, the Golden Circle excursion and the night photography & aurora hunting workshop.

Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) on 27 April at SEEDS Office in Reykjavik. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later or delayed flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp on their own.



### SEEDS 011. Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting in Reykjavík

11.05 - 19.05 ENVI / STUD 8 - 12 Participants

Age: 18+

**PROJECT:** The Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting project is part of a series of camps organised by SEEDS in cooperation with different partners. SEEDS works with The Blue Army, an organisation dedicated to the cause of coast cleaning; Sea Shepherd Iceland, an organisation dedicated to defend, conserve and protect the oceans; Whales of Iceland, an exhibition of life size models of whales and porpoises aiming at educating about their lives and human impact on their existence, and SORPA, the organisation in charge of waste collection & management in the Reykjavík area.

This camp allows participants to learn about global and local environmental issues, through non-formal activities such as workshops, discussions, presentations and visits, as well as to contribute directly to environment protection by joining outdoor cleanup tasks.

These cleanup tasks may be arranged in partnership with the abovementioned organisations or organised solely by SEEDS. We aim to also involve the local community, so some of our events may be open to the public. We hope participants will also learn how to plan and do their own trash hunting projects back home. This project is based on similar activities around the world, where outstanding results have been achieved with volunteers. One of the two options below is also included in this camp as a hands-on volunteering activity day:

- 1. A day trip combining a guided tour to the Hellisheiði power station, a trash hunt in the Blue Mountains area; and the Hot River Hike, a hike up a valley filled with hot springs where one can bathe.
- 2. A day trip to the Reykjanes peninsula, combined with a coastal cleanup in the area.

Furthermore, participants may be able to visit the recycling centre SORPA, where a tour of the facilities and a lecture regarding waste management in Reykjavik will be provided. The mentioned activities are dependent on conditions such as weather, pandemic-related restrictions, as well as availability of our partner organisations.

This camp combines learning, sharing, hands-on work and fun. No previous experience is needed. Volunteers should prepare to share environmental issues from their countries and be ready to spend time outdoors, walk medium distances during the cleanups, as during other activities and sightseeing. As part of the project happens outdoors, volunteers should be ready to adapt and be flexible with the work and free-time schedule, as depending on the changeable weather, we may not be able to perform some of the activities planned.

**ACCOMMODATION:** SEEDS participants will stay in a house in Reykjavík. The facilities are basic with a kitchen, showers, and a washing machine. Everyone is expected to show consideration for their companions. Participants will sleep in shared rooms or dormitories. Please bring your own sleeping bag.

Volunteers will receive food supplies and will be in charge of cooking and cleaning. Please note the food SEEDS provides will be **vegetarian**. Do not forget to bring some traditional/typical food, drinks, recipes, music, games or movies from your country for the international evening. Please be aware some items or ingredients may be expensive in Iceland and you will need to buy them yourselves or bring them from your country.

**LOCATION:** Reykjavík is a dynamic, modern city which lives in harmony with nature, using renewable energy sources. The world's northernmost capital bridges the Atlantic, between Europe and North America. Reykjavík is spread across a peninsula with a panoramic view of the mountains and the Atlantic. It is an international city with a lively cosmopolitan cultural scene surrounded by beautiful nature.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; basic conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS: Participation fee EUR 250 (Euros). The fee can either be transferred in advance via bank transfer, or paid in cash on arrival. It includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first day), the visits available; and one trip combined with the trash collection activity (Hot River or Reykjanes). Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) on 11 May at SEEDS Office in Reykjavik. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later or delayed flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp on their own.



### SEEDS 012. Island of Viðey (1/2)

11.05 - 20.05 ENVI / CONS / RENO 8 Volunteers Age: 18+

**WORK/PROJECT:** SEEDS volunteers will have the opportunity to work on the historical island of Viðey for the 15th year in a row with our host, the city of Reykjavík.

Viðey is a popular destination during the summer among Icelandic and foreign visitors. Volunteers will help prepare the island for the autumn/winter season. Volunteers will beautify the surroundings by cleaning up the area, especially along the coastline, for instance by hand-picking garbage or collecting trash blown by the wind or brought by the sea to the shores and surroundings.

SEEDS volunteers may carry out some gardening activities as well and possibly make and maintain walking paths. Well maintained paths enable people to visit the area without damaging it and this important work also helps to improve safety for visitors. Depending on the advance of the project and weather conditions, volunteers may have other possible tasks such as checking up and repairing garden furniture.

The working day normally runs from 09:00 - 17:00 with breaks for lunch and coffee; however, please be prepared for some flexibility due to the nature of Iceland's changeable weather.

The weather conditions in Iceland are unpredictable and the temperature in May can drop during the evenings. Be prepared to experience all kinds of weather and be sure of bringing warm clothing, since most of the work will take place outdoors. Volunteers should have motivation to work outside and work in all kinds of weather, as it can get cold and rainy. Bring warm and/or waterproof clothes (overcoats, scarves, gloves and hats) walking shoes/boots, as the activities take place outside.

As it is outdoors work, volunteers shall be ready to adapt and be flexible with the working and free-time schedule, as depending on the weather, we may not be able to perform some of the tasks or activities planned.

**ACCOMMODATION:** Volunteers will be lodged in a local house on Viðey Island, in shared rooms. Please bring your own sleeping bag. The house has an equipped kitchen. Volunteers will receive food ingredients and be in charge of cooking and cleaning. Do not forget to bring some traditional/typical food from your home country for the international evening.

**LOCATION:** Viðey or "Wood Island" is the largest (1.7 km²) island in the Kollafjörður Bay, just outside Reykjavík, the capital of Iceland. The island is covered by many species of plants and at least 30 species of breeding birds have been counted here. Viðey was inhabited from soon after the settlement of Iceland already in the 10th century and at the beginning of the 20th century around 100 people lived there. Today the island is uninhabited.

There is a regular ferry connection between the island and the harbour of Reykjavík. The island is only a few hundred metres away from the city and the trip takes a few minutes. This makes Viðey so special; it is a peaceful place, very close to the busy city life of the capital. There are hiking and cycling paths around the island and there is no motor traffic allowed. It also features intriguing sculptural artwork, amongst them all nine pairs of basalt pillars that comprise Richard Serra's work "Áfangar" and Yoko Ono's "Imagine Peace" column, a tower of light, which is supported by the widow of John Lennon. Other places of interest on Viðey are related to archaeological research.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; basic conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

Meeting time will be at 14:00 (2:00 pm) on 11 May at SEEDS' Office.

**EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS:** Participation fee **EUR 300 (Euros)**. The fee can either be transferred in advance via **bank transfer**, or paid **in cash** on arrival. It includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first day), the Golden Circle excursion and a whale watching trip worth around EUR 200 with tour operators. We will have free rides with the ferry to the city during free time; this is subject to its schedule.

Other excursions (South Shore, Hot River Hike, Snæfellsnes or Reykjanes Peninsula) can be arranged at discount fares for SEEDS participants in case there is additional free time after work or during the weekends.

SEEDS is not a travel agency; we do not have guides and our trips are organised for volunteers to have the chance to travel together and to support SEEDS fundraising. Subject to availability and number of participants.



### SEEDS 014. Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting in Reykjavík

25.05 - 02.06 ENVI / STUD 8 - 12 Participants

Age: 18+

**PROJECT:** The Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting project is part of a series of camps organised by SEEDS in cooperation with different partners. SEEDS works with The Blue Army, an organisation dedicated to the cause of coast cleaning; Sea Shepherd Iceland, an organisation dedicated to defend, conserve and protect the oceans; Whales of Iceland, an exhibition of life size models of whales and porpoises aiming at educating about their lives and human impact on their existence, and SORPA, the organisation in charge of waste collection & management in the Reykjavík area.

This camp allows participants to learn about global and local environmental issues, through non-formal activities such as workshops, discussions, presentations and visits, as well as to contribute directly to environment protection by joining outdoor cleanup tasks.

These cleanup tasks may be arranged in partnership with the abovementioned organisations or organised solely by SEEDS. We aim to also involve the local community, so some of our events may be open to the public. We hope participants will also learn how to plan and do their own trash hunting projects back home. This project is based on similar activities around the world, where outstanding results have been achieved with volunteers. One of the two options below is also included in this camp as a hands-on volunteering activity day:

- 1. A day trip combining a guided tour to the Hellisheiði power station, a trash hunt in the Blue Mountains area; and the Hot River Hike, a hike up a valley filled with hot springs where one can bathe.
- 2. A day trip to the Reykjanes peninsula, combined with a coastal cleanup in the area.

Furthermore, participants may be able to visit the recycling centre SORPA, where a tour of the facilities and a lecture regarding waste management in Reykjavik will be provided. The mentioned activities are dependent on conditions such as weather, pandemic-related restrictions, as well as availability of our partner organisations.

This camp combines learning, sharing, hands-on work and fun. No previous experience is needed. Volunteers should prepare to share environmental issues from their countries and be ready to spend time outdoors, walk medium distances during the cleanups, as during other activities and sightseeing. As part of the project happens outdoors, volunteers should be ready to adapt and be flexible with the work and free-time schedule, as depending on the changeable weather, we may not be able to perform some of the activities planned.

**ACCOMMODATION:** SEEDS participants will stay in a house in Reykjavík. The facilities are basic with a kitchen, showers, and a washing machine. Everyone is expected to show consideration for their companions. Participants will sleep in shared rooms or dormitories. Please bring your own sleeping bag.

Volunteers will receive food supplies and will be in charge of cooking and cleaning. Please note the food SEEDS provides will be **vegetarian**. Do not forget to bring some traditional/typical food, drinks, recipes, music, games or movies from your country for the international evening. Please be aware some items or ingredients may be expensive in Iceland and you will need to buy them yourselves or bring them from your country.

**LOCATION:** Reykjavík is a dynamic, modern city which lives in harmony with nature, using renewable energy sources. The world's northernmost capital bridges the Atlantic, between Europe and North America. Reykjavík is spread across a peninsula with a panoramic view of the mountains and the Atlantic. It is an international city with a lively cosmopolitan cultural scene surrounded by beautiful nature.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; basic conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS: Participation fee EUR 250 (Euros). The fee can either be transferred in advance via bank transfer, or paid in cash on arrival. It includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first day), the visits available; and one trip combined with the trash collection activity (Hot River or Reykjanes). Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) on 25 May at SEEDS Office in Reykjavik. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later or delayed flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp on their own.



#### SEEDS 016. Environment & Art - Reykjavík Arts Festival

29.05 - 12.06 ENVI / ARTS / CULT 12 Volunteers Age: 18+

**PROJECT:** This volunteer and arts project is an organised cooperation between the Reykjavik Art Festival and SEEDS. With the support of the volunteers we will run one of the biggest environmental art pieces of the year: Sun & Sea (Marina). The work is a Lithuanian opera performance, winner of the Golden Lion at the Venice Biennale 2019. It is a live opera installation without beginning or end that takes place on a well-visited beach under an artificial sun. The show addresses some of the most pressing issues of sustainability and ecology of our time and gives a shocking picture of today's consumer society.

The work will be set up in the Reykjavík Art Museum that is located in the center of Reykjavík. The volunteers will help to set up the beach that will be made of black Icelandic sand in the museum and to take it down after the event. The volunteers will be invited to watch the show and will have the opportunity to participate as actors.

Volunteers will also have the chance to join other environmental-related activities, through non-formal means such as workshops, discussions, presentations and visits, as well as to contribute directly to environment protection by joining outdoor cleanup tasks.

We aim to also involve the local community, so some of our events may be open to the public. We hope participants will also learn how to plan and do their own trash hunting/collecting projects back home. This project is based on similar activities around the world, where outstanding results have been achieved with volunteers. One of the two following options is also included in this camp as a hands-on volunteering activity day: either a day trip combining a guided tour to the Hellisheiði power station, a trash collection action in the area and the Hot River Hike (a hike up a valley filled with hot springs where one can bathe); or a day trip to the Reykjanes peninsula, combined with a coastal cleanup in the area.

The mentioned activities are dependent on conditions such as weather, pandemic-related restrictions, as well as availability of our partner organisations. This camp combines learning, sharing, hands-on work and fun. No previous experience is needed. Volunteers should prepare to share environmental issues from their countries and be ready to spend time outdoors, walk medium distances during the cleanups, as during other activities and sightseeing. As part of the project happens outdoors, volunteers should be ready to adapt and be flexible with the work and free-time schedule, as depending on the changeable weather, we may not be able to perform some of the activities planned.

**ACCOMMODATION:** SEEDS participants will stay in a house in Reykjavík. The facilities are basic with a kitchen, showers, and a washing machine. Everyone is expected to show consideration for their companions. Participants will sleep in shared rooms or dormitories. Please bring your own sleeping bag.

Volunteers will receive food supplies and will be in charge of cooking and cleaning. Please note the food SEEDS provides will be **vegetarian**. Do not forget to bring some traditional/typical food, drinks, recipes, music, games or movies from your country for the international evening. Please be aware some items or ingredients may be expensive in Iceland and you will need to buy them yourselves or bring them from your country.

**LOCATION:** Reykjavík is a dynamic, modern city which lives in harmony with nature, using renewable energy sources. The world's northernmost capital bridges the Atlantic, between Europe and North America. Reykjavík is spread across a peninsula with a panoramic view of the mountains and the Atlantic. It is an international city with a lively cosmopolitan cultural scene surrounded by beautiful nature.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS: Participation fee EUR 300 (Euros). The fee can either be transferred in advance via bank transfer, or paid in cash on arrival. It includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first day), the visits available; and one trip combined with the trash collection activity (Hot River or Reykjanes). Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) on 29 May at SEEDS Office in Reykjavik. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later or delayed flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp on their own. Other excursions (e.g. Golden Circle, the South Shore, Reykjanes and/or Snæfellsnes) can be arranged at discount fares if there is additional free time after the camp work/sessions. It may be very cold and/or rainy, so we recommend bringing warm and waterproof clothes (underlayers, overcoats, scarves, gloves and hats) and good walking shoes, as some of the activities take place outdoors.



#### SEEDS 017. The Highlands North of Vatnajökull Glacier

02.06 - 15.06 ENVI / CONS / RENO 8 Volunteers Age: 18+

**WORK / PROJECT:** For the tenth year, SEEDS volunteers will have the chance to work in this special project based in the highlands, east of Lake Mývatn and north of the Vatnajökull glacier. The area has been inhabited since the early times of settlement. Our hosts are a family, descendants of farmers from the area, trying to develop new opportunities for work and alternative jobs in this very remote area, since farming at such altitude is very difficult. They are running diverse facilities and offer services for local and foreign visitors.

Volunteers will support the locals in removing the trash left by visitors and helping restore the land damaged by off-road driving. Volunteers will also help with repairing an old turf building, restoring it to its previous form and making it look similar to several other turf buildings in the surroundings. Additional work may be fixing and maintaining walking paths and making a new trail. Well-maintained paths enable people to visit the area without damaging it and this important work also helps to improve safety for visitors.

Please note that the work in this camp (such as turfing) can be very physically demanding and volunteers need to be in good shape and ready to work hard. As it is outdoors work, volunteers shall be ready to adapt and be flexible with the working and free-time schedule, as, depending on the weather, we may not be able to perform some of the tasks or activities planned. The weather conditions are unpredictable and the temperature in the highlands can drop below zero in the nights. Bring warm clothing, since the work takes place outdoors.

**ACCOMMODATION:** Volunteers will be lodged in a house at one of the farms, sleeping in shared rooms with beds, please bring your own sleeping bag. Volunteers will receive food ingredients and be in charge of cooking and cleaning activities. An equipped kitchen and a washing machine are available.

Do not forget to bring some traditional/typical food or drinks from your country for the intercultural evening.

**LOCATION:** The camp is located in the highlands of Iceland, at the highest inhabited place in the country at 469 meters above sea level. The location is in the North-Eastern part of the country and in the vicinity of the largest national park in Europe - Vatnajökull National Park. Mount Herðubreið, the queen of Icelandic mountains, is located in the area. It is situated to the east of the Ódáðahraun desert and close to the Askja volcano. The desert is a large lava field originating from volcanic eruptions in the area.

The Vatnajökull Park is unique; one can find glaciers, volcanoes, glacier bursts, eruptions and geothermal heat plus an extremely rare landscape. The area of the park is around 12,000 km² and is expected to be expanded in the next few years. Under the ice cap, the glacier hides seven volcanoes and most of them are active. Vatnajökull covers about 8% of the country, and is about 1000 m thick at its maximum.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; basic conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL & TRANSPORT: Closest international airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF).

SEEDS offers the minibus option: shared transport from Reykjavík to the camp and back. Apart from being cheaper and convenient, it allows participants to meet and have a relaxed trip, while stopping on the way for interesting sites.

The SEEDS minibus will travel one way along the northern part of the country and the other along the south coast of Iceland. In this way we will **travel the whole ring road** and stop at magnificent natural sights, including waterfalls, glaciers, volcano craters, hot springs, iceberg lagoons, black sand beaches, etc. **Meeting point at SEEDS' office in Reykjavík at 7:00 am on 2 June**. Return to Reykjavík in the **late evening** of 15 June.

The minibus to this camp will cost EUR 75 each way. This is about 30-40% cheaper than public transport.

**EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS**: Participation fee **EUR 250** (Euros). The fee can either be transferred in advance via bank transfer, or paid in cash on arrival. The participation fee does not include the transportation from Reykjavík to the camp and back, which will cost **EUR 75** (Euros) one way or **EUR 150** (Euros) both ways.

This work camp takes place in a very remote region, located in a natural area of extreme beauty. Free-time outdoor activities, for instance hikes or walks in the surroundings, will be arranged for SEEDS volunteers.

Volunteers should be motivated to experience life in a very isolated part of Iceland. Participants should bring good, sturdy walking shoes & warm working clothes. Weather is unpredictable and it can be cold or rainy. Bring warm under layers, waterproofs, walking shoes/boots, a good sleeping bag and gloves.



#### SEEDS 018. The Highlands of Iceland - The Famous Kjölur Road (1/2)

06.06 - 19.06 ENVI / CONS / RENO 6 Volunteers

Age: 18+

**WORK/PROJECT:** SEEDS volunteers will support this project for the thirteenth year in a row. We started cooperation in 2009 and the results have been very positive. The hosts are a group of locals developing the area with alternative tourism services, including running a series of huts in this isolated area in the highlands and offering services to visitors and hikers.

In this camp SEEDS volunteers will work on diverse environmental outdoor tasks, including maintenance and development of walking paths and landscaping around the huts in the area. Volunteers will also help with the revegetation in some areas around, clearing litter on the walking paths, and assisting with general maintenance and preparations within the area before summer.

As the landscape is rough, the work can be physically demanding and might require a good physical condition. No previous experience is needed. As it is outdoors work, volunteers shall be ready to adapt and be flexible with the working and free-time schedule, as depending on the -changeable- weather, we may not be able to perform some of the tasks or activities planned.

Volunteers need to be prepared for working and walking in a wild landscape in one of the most isolated areas of Iceland. Be prepared to experience all kinds of weather and bring warm winter clothes as the tasks take place outside and it can get very cold in the highlands. Bring warm under-layers, waterproofs, walking shoes/boots, a good sleeping bag, hat scarves and gloves.

**ACCOMMODATION**: Volunteers will be hosted in a local mountain hut, sleeping in shared rooms on mattresses on the floor. Please bring your own sleeping bag. The facilities are very basic and volunteers are expected to show consideration for their companions.

Volunteers will receive food ingredients and will be in charge of cooking and cleaning. Do not forget to bring some traditional/typical food, drinks, music and recipes from your country for the international evening.

**LOCATION:** The Icelandic highlands, or "the interior", are a true pearl to nature lovers and outdoor people. It is accessible by 4WD cars only and most routes involve crossing rivers where there are no bridges. If you really want to get away from it all, the interior of Iceland is like nothing you have ever experienced. The mountainous centre of the island, with its rocky deserts, craggy mountain peaks, ice caps, volcanoes, hidden valleys and hot springs, is an awesome and untouched wilderness.

The interior was almost totally inaccessible until recently. However, outlaws managed to hide out for years at a time in the highlands, rustling sheep and keeping away from law-abiding citizens. Folklore stories tell of both natural and supernatural beings that lay in wait for unwary highland travellers. Travellers going between the north and south of Iceland sometimes had to cross the highlands. To get to the assembly of Alþingi (parliament) each summer, delegates had to ride from every corner of the country to Pingvellir in the Southwest.

Volunteers will be staying close to the glacier Hofsjökull, near the rivers Hvítá and Þjórsá. The mountains in the area that reach up to 1500 m were formed during a volcanic eruption in the later part of the ice age. The area is still dynamic and great geothermal activity takes place in the surroundings. The environment is very diverse, both in shape and colour. The mountains are weathered and have very little continuous growth, as the forces of nature, like glaciers, water flow, ice bursts etc. have been fast working in these mountain highlands.

LANGUAGE: English will be the official language of the camp; high proficiency is not required.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

**EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS:** Participation fee **EUR 350 (Euros)**. Please note that the fee can either be transferred in advance via bank transfer, or paid for on arrival. The fee includes transportation from the meeting point to the campsite & back (on the first and last day of the camp). **Meeting & Departure time will be at 7:00 in the morning on 6 June, at SEEDS' Office in Reykjavík.** We will return to Reykjavík in the evening of 19 June.

The location of the camp is remote and very isolated. Free time activities are mostly hiking and trekking in the area as there is no transportation available, nor the possibility to organise transport to different sites.

Volunteers need to be prepared for physical, demanding work. Weather is unpredictable and it can be very cold or rainy in the highlands. We recommend bringing good walking shoes/boots, warm/winter and/or waterproof clothes (underlayers, overcoats, scarves, gloves and hats) as most of the tasks and activities take place outside.



#### SEEDS 019. Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting in Reykjavík

08.06 - 16.06 ENVI / STUD 8 - 12 Participants

Age: 18+

**PROJECT:** The Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting project is part of a series of camps organised by SEEDS in cooperation with different partners. SEEDS works with The Blue Army, an organisation dedicated to the cause of coast cleaning; Sea Shepherd Iceland, an organisation dedicated to defend, conserve and protect the oceans; Whales of Iceland, an exhibition of life size models of whales and porpoises aiming at educating about their lives and human impact on their existence, and SORPA, the organisation in charge of waste collection & management in the Reykjavík area.

This camp allows participants to learn about global and local environmental issues, through non-formal activities such as workshops, discussions, presentations and visits, as well as to contribute directly to environment protection by joining outdoor cleanup tasks.

These cleanup tasks may be arranged in partnership with the abovementioned organisations or organised solely by SEEDS. We aim to also involve the local community, so some of our events may be open to the public. We hope participants will also learn how to plan and do their own trash hunting projects back home. This project is based on similar activities around the world, where outstanding results have been achieved with volunteers. One of the two options below is also included in this camp as a hands-on volunteering activity day:

- 1. A day trip combining a guided tour to the Hellisheiði power station, a trash hunt in the Blue Mountains area; and the Hot River Hike, a hike up a valley filled with hot springs where one can bathe.
- 2. A day trip to the Reykjanes peninsula, combined with a coastal cleanup in the area.

Furthermore, participants may be able to visit the recycling centre SORPA, where a tour of the facilities and a lecture regarding waste management in Reykjavik will be provided. The mentioned activities are dependent on conditions such as weather, pandemic-related restrictions, as well as availability of our partner organisations.

This camp combines learning, sharing, hands-on work and fun. No previous experience is needed. Volunteers should prepare to share environmental issues from their countries and be ready to spend time outdoors, walk medium distances during the cleanups, as during other activities and sightseeing. As part of the project happens outdoors, volunteers should be ready to adapt and be flexible with the work and free-time schedule, as depending on the changeable weather, we may not be able to perform some of the activities planned.

**ACCOMMODATION:** SEEDS participants will stay in a house in Reykjavík. The facilities are basic with a kitchen, showers, and a washing machine. Everyone is expected to show consideration for their companions. Participants will sleep in shared rooms or dormitories. Please bring your own sleeping bag.

Volunteers will receive food supplies and will be in charge of cooking and cleaning. Please note the food SEEDS provides will be **vegetarian**. Do not forget to bring some traditional/typical food, drinks, recipes, music, games or movies from your country for the international evening. Please be aware some items or ingredients may be expensive in Iceland and you will need to buy them yourselves or bring them from your country.

**LOCATION:** Reykjavík is a dynamic, modern city which lives in harmony with nature, using renewable energy sources. The world's northernmost capital bridges the Atlantic, between Europe and North America. Reykjavík is spread across a peninsula with a panoramic view of the mountains and the Atlantic. It is an international city with a lively cosmopolitan cultural scene surrounded by beautiful nature.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; basic conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS: Participation fee EUR 250 (Euros). The fee can either be transferred in advance via bank transfer, or paid in cash on arrival. It includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first day), the visits available; and one trip combined with the trash collection activity (Hot River or Reykjanes). Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) on 8 June at SEEDS Office in Reykjavik. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later or delayed flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp on their own.

Other excursions (e.g. Golden Circle, the South Shore, Reykjanes and/or Snæfellsnes) can be arranged at discount fares if there is additional free time after the camp workshops/sessions. The camp happens around the summer solstice, when the sun hardly sets and the nights are almost as bright as the days. Weather may however be cold or rainy, so we recommend bringing warm and/or waterproof clothes.



#### SEEDS 020. Midnight Sun & Photography in Reykjavík

08.06 - 16.06 ARTS / STUD 8 - 12 Participants

Age: 16 - 20

**PROJECT**: This is the fourteenth year (since 2008) that SEEDS organises a series of International Photo marathons, while we started organising camps open for teenagers in the year 2010.

Throughout the year participants from all over the world come to Iceland for an immersive photography-related learning camp. SEEDS coordinators help the participants to develop their unique photographic skills through workshops and feedback sessions on technical settings, compositional considerations as well as developing conceptual frameworks which progress the participants' individual style.

Participants will have time to put the theory about photography into practice, walking around and exploring the city. At the end of the camp, the best photographs from each participant are selected for an online exhibition on SEEDS' social media. Participants should bring their own digital cameras, lenses, tripods and laptops if possible.

While learning about photography the participants explore Icelandic culture by taking part in it, capturing it and also by displaying their work during the camps. One of our objectives is to deliver environmental as well as cultural messages and draw the attention through pictures made in the camp.

Participants should be ready to spend time outdoors walking medium distances during activities and working within a flexible time schedule. Participants will be photographing in their free time outside of workshop hours with images to be discussed at group feedback sessions.

This camp is open to participants aged 16 to 20 years. During their stay SEEDS organises a programme that combines learning, sharing, getting to know Iceland and its culture, and having fun while exploring the city and some of the most stunning natural attractions in the Golden Circle and South Shore excursions.

Note this project is a learning/sharing camp and not a regular workcamp; it has a smaller work part and puts more emphasis on the personal learning process than on the community impact. We may be able to organise some outdoor voluntary work, but it depends on our partners and the weather. The camp happens around the summer solstice, when the sun hardly sets and the nights are almost as bright as the days. The nights are magical and staying awake enjoying the surroundings is a unique experience.

**ACCOMMODATION**: SEEDS' participants will stay in a house in Reykjavík. The facilities are basic with a kitchen, showers, and a washing machine. Everyone is expected to show consideration for their companions. Participants will sleep in shared rooms. They need to bring their own sleeping bags. Participants from other camps may also stay in the house.

Participants will receive food supplies and be in charge of the cooking and cleaning activities. Participants should bring food, music, games or films and such from their own culture to share at the international evening.

**LOCATION**: Reykjavík is a dynamic, modern city which lives in harmony with nature, using renewable energy sources. The world's northernmost capital bridges the Atlantic, between Europe and North America. Reykjavík is spread across a peninsula with a panoramic view of the mountains and the Atlantic. It is an international city with a lively cosmopolitan cultural scene surrounded by beautiful nature.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; basic conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

**EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS:** Participation fee **EUR 500** (Euros), which needs to be transferred to SEEDS the latest one month before the camp starts to confirm the placement of the participant/s. The fee includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first), with the Golden Circle and South Shore excursions (1 full day trip each). We will visit spectacular waterfalls, geysers, a glacier, impressive coastline, a volcano crater, the Thingvellir National Park and much more.

Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) in the afternoon of 8 June at the BSÍ bus station or at SEEDS office. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp.

Additional excursions (eg. Hot River Hike, Snæfellsnes or Reykjanes Peninsula) can be arranged at discount fares in case there is additional free time after the workshops and sessions of the camp.

Weather may be cold or rainy, so we recommend bringing warm and/or waterproof clothes.



### SEEDS 025. Between Glaciers & Lava

18.06 - 29.06 ARTS / CULT / CONS 8 Volunteers Age: 18+

**WORK / PROJECT:** SEEDS volunteers will again have the opportunity to contribute to this special art and culture project in the west of Iceland. Since 2000, our hosts have been creating and developing an art residency camp, outdoors and indoors art exhibitions and a chapel for all types of religions which are open to the public.

The residency grew around an old abandoned farm which has been in the process of transformation for the last 20 years. The residency supports various art and culture activities, especially for young artists, as well as scientific research. Since the start of the project there have been thousands of visitors and plans exist to expand the residency with several more houses that will be built using stone, turf and driftwood from the region.

The art residency is home to the artworks of Páll Guðmundsson, a famous local artist known for his use of stone as an art medium. Páll's art comes in forms of stone statues, paintings on stone surfaces and even a musical instrument made of stone. His inspiration comes from Icelandic nature and traditional culture.

SEEDS volunteers will help with various tasks, such as maintenance work in the artwork garden; some of the group may help with painting the artist's workshop and some work in and around the chapel. Depending on the projects' needs we may also help in maintaining a walking path from the sculpture garden towards a small canyon where some outdoor artwork can be found and help with setting up and moving the artwork, taking down old fences, hand-picking trash and generally beautifying the surroundings.

The working day normally runs from 9:00 am to 17:00 (5:00 pm), with breaks for lunch and coffee. No previous experience is necessary but the work is demanding and requires a good physical condition; it can at times be repetitive but always rewarding. As it is outdoors work, volunteers shall be ready to adapt and be flexible with the working and free-time schedule, as, depending on the weather, we may not be able to perform some of the tasks or activities planned. The working plan will depend on the needs of our local host, the progress of the diverse projects in the area and of course on the weather conditions.

Volunteers need to be motivated to work outdoors on physical jobs and in changeable weather. Bring warm winter clothes, under layers, waterproofs, walking shoes/boots, a good sleeping bag, hat, scarves and gloves.

**ACCOMMODATION:** SEEDS volunteers will stay in a local house; sleeping in shared rooms on mattresses in a sleeping bag accommodation. Please bring your own sleeping bag.

Volunteers will receive food ingredients and will be in charge of cooking and cleaning. Do not forget to bring some traditional/typical food, drinks, music and recipes from your country for the intercultural evening.

**LOCATION:** The project takes place in the western part of Iceland, in a unique natural environment with breathtaking landscape, between glaciers and lava fields. The place is like an oasis in the desert, as the weather there is often better than in the surroundings. Among the natural wonders nearby are the Hraunfossar waterfalls, where water pours out of a lava field over a length of 1 km.

Additionally, the Hallmundarhraun lava field is among the deepest and best known in Iceland. Langjökull (Long Glacier), the second largest glacier in Iceland, expands over 950 km² and its highest point is 1355 m above sea level. In addition to natural wonders this area is also famous for being one of the first settled locations in Iceland and featured in some of the oldest Icelandic sagas.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; basic conversational skills are needed.

**TERMINAL:** Closest international airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: BSÍ Reykjavík. SEEDS offers the minibus option: shared transport from Reykjavík to the camp and back. Apart from being cheaper and convenient, it allows participants to meet and have a relaxed trip, while stopping on the way for interesting sites.

Departure at 14:00 (2:00 pm) on 18 June from SEEDS office. Return to Reykjavík in the evening of 29 June.

**EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS:** Participation fee **EUR 300** (Euros). Please note that the fee can either be transferred in advance via bank transfer, or paid for on arrival. The participation fee **does not include** the transportation from Reykjavík to the camp and back, which will cost **EUR 30** one way or **EUR 60** both ways.

This work camp takes place in a remote region, in a natural area of extreme beauty. Our hosts will organise some free-time activities, for instance hikes or visits to the beautiful surroundings. Other excursions (e.g. Golden Circle or Snæfellsnes Peninsula) can be organised at discount fares for SEEDS volunteers.



#### SEEDS 027. Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting in Reykjavík

22.06 - 30.06 ENVI / STUD 8 - 12 Participants

Age: 18+

**PROJECT:** The Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting project is part of a series of camps organised by SEEDS in cooperation with different partners. SEEDS works with The Blue Army, an organisation dedicated to the cause of coast cleaning; Sea Shepherd Iceland, an organisation dedicated to defend, conserve and protect the oceans; Whales of Iceland, an exhibition of life size models of whales and porpoises aiming at educating about their lives and human impact on their existence, and SORPA, the organisation in charge of waste collection & management in the Reykjavík area.

This camp allows participants to learn about global and local environmental issues, through non-formal activities such as workshops, discussions, presentations and visits, as well as to contribute directly to environment protection by joining outdoor cleanup tasks.

These cleanup tasks may be arranged in partnership with the abovementioned organisations or organised solely by SEEDS. We aim to also involve the local community, so some of our events may be open to the public. We hope participants will also learn how to plan and do their own trash hunting projects back home. This project is based on similar activities around the world, where outstanding results have been achieved with volunteers. One of the two options below is also included in this camp as a hands-on volunteering activity day:

- 1. A day trip combining a guided tour to the Hellisheiði power station, a trash hunt in the Blue Mountains area; and the Hot River Hike, a hike up a valley filled with hot springs where one can bathe.
- 2. A day trip to the Reykjanes peninsula, combined with a coastal cleanup in the area.

Furthermore, participants may be able to visit the recycling centre SORPA, where a tour of the facilities and a lecture regarding waste management in Reykjavik will be provided. The mentioned activities are dependent on conditions such as weather, pandemic-related restrictions, as well as availability of our partner organisations.

This camp combines learning, sharing, hands-on work and fun. No previous experience is needed. Volunteers should prepare to share environmental issues from their countries and be ready to spend time outdoors, walk medium distances during the cleanups, as during other activities and sightseeing. As part of the project happens outdoors, volunteers should be ready to adapt and be flexible with the work and free-time schedule, as depending on the changeable weather, we may not be able to perform some of the activities planned.

**ACCOMMODATION:** SEEDS participants will stay in a house in Reykjavík. The facilities are basic with a kitchen, showers, and a washing machine. Everyone is expected to show consideration for their companions. Participants will sleep in shared rooms or dormitories. Please bring your own sleeping bag.

Volunteers will receive food supplies and will be in charge of cooking and cleaning. Please note the food SEEDS provides will be **vegetarian**. Do not forget to bring some traditional/typical food, drinks, recipes, music, games or movies from your country for the international evening. Please be aware some items or ingredients may be expensive in Iceland and you will need to buy them yourselves or bring them from your country.

**LOCATION:** Reykjavík is a dynamic, modern city which lives in harmony with nature, using renewable energy sources. The world's northernmost capital bridges the Atlantic, between Europe and North America. Reykjavík is spread across a peninsula with a panoramic view of the mountains and the Atlantic. It is an international city with a lively cosmopolitan cultural scene surrounded by beautiful nature.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; basic conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS: Participation fee EUR 250 (Euros). The fee can either be transferred in advance via bank transfer, or paid in cash on arrival. It includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first day), the visits available; and one trip combined with the trash collection activity (Hot River or Reykjanes). Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) on 22 June at SEEDS Office in Reykjavik. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later or delayed flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp on their own.

Other excursions (e.g. Golden Circle, the South Shore, Reykjanes and/or Snæfellsnes) can be arranged at discount fares if there is additional free time after the camp workshops/sessions. The camp happens around the summer solstice, when the sun hardly sets and the nights are almost as bright as the days. Weather may however be cold or rainy, so we recommend bringing warm and/or waterproof clothes.



#### SEEDS 028. Summer Solstice & Photography Reykjavík

22.06 - 30.06 ARTS / STUD 8 - 12 Participants

Age: 16 - 20

**PROJECT**: This is the fourteenth year (since 2008) that SEEDS organises a series of International Photo marathons, while we started organising camps open for teenagers in the year 2010.

Throughout the year participants from all over the world come to Iceland for an immersive photography-related learning camp. SEEDS coordinators help the participants to develop their unique photographic skills through workshops and feedback sessions on technical settings, compositional considerations as well as developing conceptual frameworks which progress the participants' individual style.

Participants will have time to put the theory about photography into practice, walking around and exploring the city. At the end of the camp, the best photographs from each participant are selected for an online exhibition on SEEDS' social media. Participants should bring their own digital cameras, lenses, tripods and laptops if possible.

While learning about photography the participants explore Icelandic culture by taking part in it, capturing it and also by displaying their work during the camps. One of our objectives is to deliver environmental as well as cultural messages and draw the attention through pictures made in the camp.

Participants should be ready to spend time outdoors walking medium distances during activities and working within a flexible time schedule. Participants will be photographing in their free time outside of workshop hours with images to be discussed at group feedback sessions.

This camp is open to participants aged 16 to 20 years. During their stay SEEDS organises a programme that combines learning, sharing, getting to know Iceland and its culture, and having fun while exploring the city and some of the most stunning natural attractions in the Golden Circle and South Shore excursions.

Note this project is a learning/sharing camp and not a regular workcamp; it has a smaller work part and puts more emphasis on the personal learning process than on the community impact. We may be able to organise some outdoor voluntary work, but it depends on our partners and the weather. The camp happens around the summer solstice, when the sun hardly sets and the nights are almost as bright as the days. The nights are magical and staying awake enjoying the surroundings is a unique experience.

**ACCOMMODATION**: SEEDS' participants will stay in a house in Reykjavík. The facilities are basic with a kitchen, showers, and a washing machine. Everyone is expected to show consideration for their companions. Participants will sleep in shared rooms. They need to bring their own sleeping bags. Participants from other camps may also stay in the house.

Participants will receive food supplies and be in charge of the cooking and cleaning activities. Participants should bring food, music, games or films and such from their own culture to share at the international evening.

**LOCATION**: Reykjavík is a dynamic, modern city which lives in harmony with nature, using renewable energy sources. The world's northernmost capital bridges the Atlantic, between Europe and North America. Reykjavík is spread across a peninsula with a panoramic view of the mountains and the Atlantic. It is an international city with a lively cosmopolitan cultural scene surrounded by beautiful nature.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; basic conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

**EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS:** Participation fee **EUR 500** (Euros), which needs to be transferred to SEEDS the latest one month before the camp starts to confirm the placement of the participant/s. The fee includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first), with the Golden Circle and South Shore excursions (1 full day trip each). We will visit spectacular waterfalls, geysers, a glacier, impressive coastline, a volcano crater, the Thingvellir National Park and much more.

Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) in the afternoon of 22 June at the BSÍ bus station or at SEEDS office. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp.

Additional excursions (eg. Hot River Hike, Snæfellsnes or Reykjanes Peninsula) can be arranged at discount fares in case there is additional free time after the workshops and sessions of the camp.

Weather may be cold or rainy, so we recommend bringing warm and/or waterproof clothes.



### SEEDS 031. Hitting the Slopes - Blue Mountains & Skálafell (1/2)

27.06 - 11.07 CONS / ENVI / RENO 8 Volunteers Age: 18+

**WORK/PROJECT:** SEEDS volunteers will again be working with the Reykjavík municipality in two of the main outdoors skiing and recreational areas in the capital region, Bláfjöll (or the Blue Mountains) and Skálafell.

In Skálafell the ski slopes are turned into a bike park during summertime and mountain bike enthusiasts can nourish their passion. The main tasks will include renovation and maintenance work on the bike trails; mainly raking and scraping them up. Other possible tasks may be related to general cleaning of the area.

In the Blue Mountains, the main tasks will be maintaining the slopes and preparing them for the next ski season. The municipality and several sports associations run lodges and mountain huts there and they may also need some renovation jobs, such as painting and/or cleaning.

The working plan is flexible and it will depend on the needs of our local hosts. No previous experience is necessary, but the work is demanding and requires a good physical condition. As it is outdoor work, volunteers shall be ready to adapt and be flexible with the working and free-time schedule, as, depending on the weather, we may not be able to perform some of the tasks or activities planned. The landscape is raw and volunteers need to be motivated to work outdoors and to experience isolated mountain areas.

The camp happens around the summer solstice, when the sun hardly sets and the nights are almost as bright as the days. The bright nights are magical and staying awake and enjoying the beautiful surroundings is a unique experience. During the time of the camp participants will have the opportunity to experience the midnight sun as there are 24 hours of light even if the sun does set for short periods of time.

**ACCOMMODATION:** SEEDS volunteers will stay in one of the ski lodges in the mountains and sleep in a shared dormitory. Please bring your own sleeping bag.

Volunteers will receive food supplies and be in charge of the cooking and cleaning activities. Do not forget some traditional/typical food, drinks, music and recipes from your country for the intercultural evening.

**LOCATION:** The skiing areas of Bláfjöll and Skálafell are both about 30 minutes driving away from the city. The Blue Mountains are south-west of Reykjavík and Skálafell is located to the east of the city. Both areas have great slopes for downhill skiing and snowboarding as well as tracks for cross-country skiing. Bláfjöll has 16 lifts and Skálafell has 4 lifts. The sports area in Skálafell is situated at an elevation between 380 and 700 m.

The Blue Mountain range is situated near the ring road and stretches from the capital area to the south-western lowlands. The highest mountain in the range reaches 600 m and in 1968 the district became a very popular skiing resort among Icelanders. The areas are excellent for recreation, not only for alpine and cross country skiing, but for other outdoor activities as well such as hiking and mountain biking. Nature lovers are certain to find something to their liking, but it's important to be careful crossing the rugged lava fields because of the numerous caves underneath.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; basic conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

**EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS:** Participation fee **EUR 300** (Euros). The fee can either be transferred in advance via bank transfer, or paid for on arrival. The fee includes the transport from Reykjavík to the campsite and back (on the first and last day of the camp) and the Reykjanes excursion with a visit to the Geldingadal volcano.

Meeting and departure time to the camp will be 16:00 (4 pm) on 27 June from the meeting point at SEEDS' office in Reykjavík. After the camp we will return to Reykjavík in the afternoon of 11 July.

Volunteers shall be prepared for physical outdoors work and should bring good working shoes and clothes. In the mountains, the weather can change quickly and drastically. Even if it is summer, the weather can be cold or rainy. We recommend bringing good walking shoes/boots, warm and/or waterproof clothes (underlayers, overcoats, scarves, gloves and hats) as most of the tasks and activities take place outside.

The locations of the camp are remote and isolated, even though still close to the city. Free-time activities in the surroundings are mostly hiking and trekking. Other excursions (Golden Circle, South Shore, Hot River Hike, Vesturland Trip or Snaefellsnes) can be arranged at discount fares for SEEDS participants in case there is additional free time after work or during the weekends.



#### SEEDS 033. Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting in Reykjavík

05.07 - 13.07 ENVI / STUD 8 - 12 Participants

Age: 18+

**PROJECT:** The Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting project is part of a series of camps organised by SEEDS in cooperation with different partners. SEEDS works with The Blue Army, an organisation dedicated to the cause of coast cleaning; Sea Shepherd Iceland, an organisation dedicated to defend, conserve and protect the oceans; Whales of Iceland, an exhibition of life size models of whales and porpoises aiming at educating about their lives and human impact on their existence, and SORPA, the organisation in charge of waste collection & management in the Reykjavík area.

This camp allows participants to learn about global and local environmental issues, through non-formal activities such as workshops, discussions, presentations and visits, as well as to contribute directly to environment protection by joining outdoor cleanup tasks.

These cleanup tasks may be arranged in partnership with the abovementioned organisations or organised solely by SEEDS. We aim to also involve the local community, so some of our events may be open to the public. We hope participants will also learn how to plan and do their own trash hunting projects back home. This project is based on similar activities around the world, where outstanding results have been achieved with volunteers. One of the two options below is also included in this camp as a hands-on volunteering activity day:

- 1. A day trip combining a guided tour to the Hellisheiði power station, a trash hunt in the Blue Mountains area; and the Hot River Hike, a hike up a valley filled with hot springs where one can bathe.
- 2. A day trip to the Reykjanes peninsula, combined with a coastal cleanup in the area.

Furthermore, participants may be able to visit the recycling centre SORPA, where a tour of the facilities and a lecture regarding waste management in Reykjavik will be provided. The mentioned activities are dependent on conditions such as weather, pandemic-related restrictions, as well as availability of our partner organisations.

This camp combines learning, sharing, hands-on work and fun. No previous experience is needed. Volunteers should prepare to share environmental issues from their countries and be ready to spend time outdoors, walk medium distances during the cleanups, as during other activities and sightseeing. As part of the project happens outdoors, volunteers should be ready to adapt and be flexible with the work and free-time schedule, as depending on the changeable weather, we may not be able to perform some of the activities planned.

**ACCOMMODATION:** SEEDS participants will stay in a house in Reykjavík. The facilities are basic with a kitchen, showers, and a washing machine. Everyone is expected to show consideration for their companions. Participants will sleep in shared rooms or dormitories. Please bring your own sleeping bag.

Volunteers will receive food supplies and will be in charge of cooking and cleaning. Please note the food SEEDS provides will be **vegetarian**. Do not forget to bring some traditional/typical food, drinks, recipes, music, games or movies from your country for the international evening. Please be aware some items or ingredients may be expensive in Iceland and you will need to buy them yourselves or bring them from your country.

**LOCATION:** Reykjavík is a dynamic, modern city which lives in harmony with nature, using renewable energy sources. The world's northernmost capital bridges the Atlantic, between Europe and North America. Reykjavík is spread across a peninsula with a panoramic view of the mountains and the Atlantic. It is an international city with a lively cosmopolitan cultural scene surrounded by beautiful nature.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; basic conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS: Participation fee EUR 300 (Euros). The fee can either be transferred in advance via bank transfer, or paid in cash on arrival. It includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first day), the visits available; and one trip combined with the trash collection activity (Hot River or Reykjanes). Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) on 5 July at SEEDS Office in Reykjavik. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later or delayed flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp on their own.

Other excursions (e.g. Golden Circle, the South Shore, Reykjanes and/or Snæfellsnes) can be arranged at discount fares if there is additional free time after the camp workshops/sessions. The camp happens around the summer solstice, when the sun hardly sets and the nights are almost as bright as the days. Weather may however be cold or rainy, so we recommend bringing warm and/or waterproof clothes.



#### SEEDS 034. Midnight Sun & Photography in Reykjavík

05.07 - 13.07 ARTS / STUD 8 - 12 Participants

Age: 16 - 20

**PROJECT**: This is the fourteenth year (since 2008) that SEEDS organises a series of International Photo marathons, while we started organising camps open for teenagers in the year 2010.

Throughout the year participants from all over the world come to Iceland for an immersive photography-related learning camp. SEEDS coordinators help the participants to develop their unique photographic skills through workshops and feedback sessions on technical settings, compositional considerations as well as developing conceptual frameworks which progress the participants' individual style.

Participants will have time to put the theory about photography into practice, walking around and exploring the city. At the end of the camp, the best photographs from each participant are selected for an online exhibition on SEEDS' social media. Participants should bring their own digital cameras, lenses, tripods and laptops if possible.

While learning about photography the participants explore Icelandic culture by taking part in it, capturing it and also by displaying their work during the camps. One of our objectives is to deliver environmental as well as cultural messages and draw attention through pictures made in the camp.

Participants should be ready to spend time outdoors walking medium distances during activities and working within a flexible time schedule. Participants will be photographing in their free time outside of workshop hours with images to be discussed at group feedback sessions.

This camp is open to participants aged 16 to 20 years. During their stay SEEDS organises a programme that combines learning, sharing, getting to know Iceland and its culture, and having fun while exploring the city and some of the most stunning natural attractions in the Golden Circle and South Shore excursions.

Note this project is a learning/sharing camp and not a regular workcamp; it has a smaller work part and puts more emphasis on the personal learning process than on the community impact. We may be able to organise some outdoor voluntary work, but it depends on our partners and the weather. The camp happens around the summer solstice, when the sun hardly sets and the nights are almost as bright as the days. The nights are magical and staying awake enjoying the surroundings is a unique experience.

**ACCOMMODATION**: SEEDS' participants will stay in a house in Reykjavík. The facilities are basic with a kitchen, showers, and a washing machine. Everyone is expected to show consideration for their companions. Participants will sleep in shared rooms. They need to bring their own sleeping bags. Participants from other camps may also stay in the house.

Participants will receive food supplies and be in charge of the cooking and cleaning activities. Participants should bring food, music, games or films and such from their own culture to share at the international evening.

**LOCATION**: Reykjavík is a dynamic, modern city which lives in harmony with nature, using renewable energy sources. The world's northernmost capital bridges the Atlantic, between Europe and North America. Reykjavík is spread across a peninsula with a panoramic view of the mountains and the Atlantic. It is an international city with a lively cosmopolitan cultural scene surrounded by beautiful nature.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; basic conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

**EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS:** Participation fee **EUR 550** (Euros), which needs to be transferred to SEEDS the latest one month before the camp starts to confirm the placement of the participant/s. The fee includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first), with the Golden Circle and South Shore excursions (1 full day trip each). We will visit spectacular waterfalls, geysers, a glacier, impressive coastline, a volcano crater, the Thingvellir National Park and much more.

Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) in the afternoon of 5 July at the BSÍ bus station or at SEEDS office. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp.

Additional excursions (eg. Hot River Hike, Snæfellsnes or Reykjanes Peninsula) can be arranged at discount fares in case there is additional free time after the workshops and sessions of the camp.

Weather may be cold or rainy, so we recommend bringing warm and/or waterproof clothes.



#### SEEDS 037. Hitting the Slopes - Blue Mountains & Skálafell (2/2)

11.07 - 24.07 CONS / ENVI / RENO 8 Volunteers Age: 18+

**WORK/PROJECT:** SEEDS volunteers will again be working with the Reykjavík municipality in two of the main outdoors skiing and recreational areas in the capital region, Bláfjöll (or the Blue Mountains) and Skálafell.

In Skálafell the ski slopes are turned into a bike park during summertime and mountain bike enthusiasts can nourish their passion. The main tasks will include renovation and maintenance work on the bike trails; mainly raking and scraping them up. Other possible tasks may be related to general cleaning of the area.

In the Blue Mountains, the main tasks will be maintaining the slopes and preparing them for the next ski season. The municipality and several sports associations run lodges and mountain huts there and they may also need some renovation jobs, such as painting and/or cleaning.

The working plan is flexible and it will depend on the needs of our local hosts. No previous experience is necessary, but the work is demanding and requires a good physical condition. As it is outdoor work, volunteers shall be ready to adapt and be flexible with the working and free-time schedule, as, depending on the weather, we may not be able to perform some of the tasks or activities planned. The landscape is raw and volunteers need to be motivated to work outdoors and to experience isolated mountain areas.

The camp happens around the summer solstice, when the sun hardly sets and the nights are almost as bright as the days. The bright nights are magical and staying awake and enjoying the beautiful surroundings is a unique experience. During the time of the camp participants will have the opportunity to experience the midnight sun as there are 24 hours of light even if the sun does set for short periods of time.

**ACCOMMODATION:** SEEDS volunteers will stay in one of the ski lodges in the mountains and sleep in a shared dormitory. Please bring your own sleeping bag.

Volunteers will receive food supplies and be in charge of the cooking and cleaning activities. Do not forget some traditional/typical food, drinks, music and recipes from your country for the intercultural evening.

**LOCATION:** The skiing areas of Bláfjöll and Skálafell are both about 30 minutes driving away from the city. The Blue Mountains are south-west of Reykjavík and Skálafell is located to the east of the city. Both areas have great slopes for downhill skiing and snowboarding as well as tracks for cross-country skiing. Bláfjöll has 16 lifts and Skálafell has 4 lifts. The sports area in Skálafell is situated at an elevation between 380 and 700 m.

The Blue Mountain range is situated near the ring road and stretches from the capital area to the south-western lowlands. The highest mountain in the range reaches 600 m and in 1968 the district became a very popular skiing resort among Icelanders. The areas are excellent for recreation, not only for alpine and cross country skiing, but for other outdoor activities as well such as hiking and mountain biking. Nature lovers are certain to find something to their liking, but it's important to be careful crossing the rugged lava fields because of the numerous caves underneath.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; basic conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

**EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS:** Participation fee **EUR 300** (Euros). The fee can either be transferred in advance via bank transfer, or paid for on arrival. The fee includes the transport from Reykjavík to the campsite and back (on the first and last day of the camp) and the Reykjanes excursion with a visit to the Geldingadal volcano.

Meeting and departure time to the camp will be 16:00 (4 pm) on 11July from the meeting point at SEEDS' office in Reykjavík. After the camp we will return to Reykjavík in the afternoon of 24 July.

Volunteers shall be prepared for physical outdoors work and should bring good working shoes and clothes. In the mountains, the weather can change quickly and drastically. Even if it is summer, the weather can be cold or rainy. We recommend bringing good walking shoes/boots, warm and/or waterproof clothes (underlayers, overcoats, scarves, gloves and hats) as most of the tasks and activities take place outside.

The locations of the camp are remote and isolated, even though still close to the city. Free-time activities in the surroundings are mostly hiking and trekking. Other excursions (Golden Circle, South Shore, Hot River Hike, Vesturland Trip or Snaefellsnes) can be arranged at discount fares for SEEDS participants in case there is additional free time after work or during the weekends.



#### SEEDS 039. Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting in Reykjavík

13.07 - 21.07 ENVI / STUD 8 - 12 Participants

Age: 18+

**PROJECT:** The Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting project is part of a series of camps organised by SEEDS in cooperation with different partners. SEEDS works with The Blue Army, an organisation dedicated to the cause of coast cleaning; Sea Shepherd Iceland, an organisation dedicated to defend, conserve and protect the oceans; Whales of Iceland, an exhibition of life size models of whales and porpoises aiming at educating about their lives and human impact on their existence, and SORPA, the organisation in charge of waste collection & management in the Reykjavík area.

This camp allows participants to learn about global and local environmental issues, through non-formal activities such as workshops, discussions, presentations and visits, as well as to contribute directly to environment protection by joining outdoor cleanup tasks.

These cleanup tasks may be arranged in partnership with the abovementioned organisations or organised solely by SEEDS. We aim to also involve the local community, so some of our events may be open to the public. We hope participants will also learn how to plan and do their own trash hunting projects back home. This project is based on similar activities around the world, where outstanding results have been achieved with volunteers. One of the two options below is also included in this camp as a hands-on volunteering activity day:

- 1. A day trip combining a guided tour to the Hellisheiði power station, a trash hunt in the Blue Mountains area; and the Hot River Hike, a hike up a valley filled with hot springs where one can bathe.
- 2. A day trip to the Reykjanes peninsula, combined with a coastal cleanup in the area.

Furthermore, participants may be able to visit the recycling centre SORPA, where a tour of the facilities and a lecture regarding waste management in Reykjavik will be provided. The mentioned activities are dependent on conditions such as weather, pandemic-related restrictions, as well as availability of our partner organisations.

This camp combines learning, sharing, hands-on work and fun. No previous experience is needed. Volunteers should prepare to share environmental issues from their countries and be ready to spend time outdoors, walk medium distances during the cleanups, as during other activities and sightseeing. As part of the project happens outdoors, volunteers should be ready to adapt and be flexible with the work and free-time schedule, as depending on the changeable weather, we may not be able to perform some of the activities planned.

**ACCOMMODATION:** SEEDS participants will stay in a house in Reykjavík. The facilities are basic with a kitchen, showers, and a washing machine. Everyone is expected to show consideration for their companions. Participants will sleep in shared rooms or dormitories. Please bring your own sleeping bag.

Volunteers will receive food supplies and will be in charge of cooking and cleaning. Please note the food SEEDS provides will be **vegetarian**. Do not forget to bring some traditional/typical food, drinks, recipes, music, games or movies from your country for the international evening. Please be aware some items or ingredients may be expensive in Iceland and you will need to buy them yourselves or bring them from your country.

**LOCATION:** Reykjavík is a dynamic, modern city which lives in harmony with nature, using renewable energy sources. The world's northernmost capital bridges the Atlantic, between Europe and North America. Reykjavík is spread across a peninsula with a panoramic view of the mountains and the Atlantic. It is an international city with a lively cosmopolitan cultural scene surrounded by beautiful nature.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; basic conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

**EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS**: Participation fee **EUR 300 (Euros)**. The fee can either be transferred in advance via **bank transfer**, or paid **in cash** on arrival. It includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first day), the visits available; and one trip combined with the trash collection activity (Hot River or Reykjanes).

Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) on 13 July at SEEDS Office in Reykjavik. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later or delayed flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp on their own.

Other excursions (e.g. Golden Circle, the South Shore, Reykjanes and/or Snæfellsnes) can be arranged at discount fares if there is additional free time after the camp workshops/sessions.

Weather may however be cold or rainy, so we recommend bringing warm and/or waterproof clothes.



#### SEEDS 040. Summer Photography in Reykjavík

13.07 - 21.07 ARTS / STUD 8 - 12 Participants

Age: 16 - 20

**PROJECT**: This is the fourteenth year (since 2008) that SEEDS organises a series of International Photo marathons, while we started organising camps open for teenagers in the year 2010.

Throughout the year participants from all over the world come to Iceland for an immersive photography-related learning camp. SEEDS coordinators help the participants to develop their unique photographic skills through workshops and feedback sessions on technical settings, compositional considerations as well as developing conceptual frameworks which progress the participants' individual style.

Participants will have time to put the theory about photography into practice, walking around and exploring the city. At the end of the camp, the best photographs from each participant are selected for an online exhibition on SEEDS' social media. Participants should bring their own digital cameras, lenses, tripods and laptops if possible.

While learning about photography the participants explore Icelandic culture by taking part in it, capturing it and also by displaying their work during the camps. One of our objectives is to deliver environmental as well as cultural messages and draw attention through pictures made in the camp.

Participants should be ready to spend time outdoors walking medium distances during activities and working within a flexible time schedule. Participants will be photographing in their free time outside of workshop hours with images to be discussed at group feedback sessions.

This camp is open to participants aged 16 to 20 years. During their stay SEEDS organises a programme that combines learning, sharing, getting to know Iceland and its culture, and having fun while exploring the city and some of the most stunning natural attractions in the Golden Circle and South Shore excursions.

Note this project is a learning/sharing camp and not a regular workcamp; it has a smaller work part and puts more emphasis on the personal learning process than on the community impact. We may be able to organise some outdoor voluntary work, but it depends on our partners and the weather. The camp happens around the summer solstice, when the sun hardly sets and the nights are almost as bright as the days. The nights are magical and staying awake enjoying the surroundings is a unique experience.

**ACCOMMODATION**: SEEDS' participants will stay in a house in Reykjavík. The facilities are basic with a kitchen, showers, and a washing machine. Everyone is expected to show consideration for their companions. Participants will sleep in shared rooms. They need to bring their own sleeping bags. Participants from other camps may also stay in the house.

Participants will receive food supplies and be in charge of the cooking and cleaning activities. Participants should bring food, music, games or films and such from their own culture to share at the international evening.

**LOCATION**: Reykjavík is a dynamic, modern city which lives in harmony with nature, using renewable energy sources. The world's northernmost capital bridges the Atlantic, between Europe and North America. Reykjavík is spread across a peninsula with a panoramic view of the mountains and the Atlantic. It is an international city with a lively cosmopolitan cultural scene surrounded by beautiful nature.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; basic conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

**EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS:** Participation fee **EUR 550** (Euros), which needs to be transferred to SEEDS the latest one month before the camp starts to confirm the placement of the participant/s. The fee includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first), with the Golden Circle and South Shore excursions (1 full day trip each). We will visit spectacular waterfalls, geysers, a glacier, impressive coastline, a volcano crater, the Thingvellir National Park and much more.

Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) in the afternoon of 13 July at the BSÍ bus station or at SEEDS office. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp.

Additional excursions (eg. Hot River Hike, Snæfellsnes or Reykjanes Peninsula) can be arranged at discount fares in case there is additional free time after the workshops and sessions of the camp.



#### SEEDS 043. Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting in Reykjavík

21.07 - 29.07 ENVI / STUD 8 - 12 Participants

Age: 18+

**PROJECT:** The Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting project is part of a series of camps organised by SEEDS in cooperation with different partners. SEEDS works with The Blue Army, an organisation dedicated to the cause of coast cleaning; Sea Shepherd Iceland, an organisation dedicated to defend, conserve and protect the oceans; Whales of Iceland, an exhibition of life size models of whales and porpoises aiming at educating about their lives and human impact on their existence, and SORPA, the organisation in charge of waste collection & management in the Reykjavík area.

This camp allows participants to learn about global and local environmental issues, through non-formal activities such as workshops, discussions, presentations and visits, as well as to contribute directly to environment protection by joining outdoor cleanup tasks.

These cleanup tasks may be arranged in partnership with the abovementioned organisations or organised solely by SEEDS. We aim to also involve the local community, so some of our events may be open to the public. We hope participants will also learn how to plan and do their own trash hunting projects back home. This project is based on similar activities around the world, where outstanding results have been achieved with volunteers. One of the two options below is also included in this camp as a hands-on volunteering activity day:

- 1. A day trip combining a guided tour to the Hellisheiði power station, a trash hunt in the Blue Mountains area; and the Hot River Hike, a hike up a valley filled with hot springs where one can bathe.
- 2. A day trip to the Reykjanes peninsula, combined with a coastal cleanup in the area.

Furthermore, participants may be able to visit the recycling centre SORPA, where a tour of the facilities and a lecture regarding waste management in Reykjavik will be provided. The mentioned activities are dependent on conditions such as weather, pandemic-related restrictions, as well as availability of our partner organisations.

This camp combines learning, sharing, hands-on work and fun. No previous experience is needed. Volunteers should prepare to share environmental issues from their countries and be ready to spend time outdoors, walk medium distances during the cleanups, as during other activities and sightseeing. As part of the project happens outdoors, volunteers should be ready to adapt and be flexible with the work and free-time schedule, as depending on the changeable weather, we may not be able to perform some of the activities planned.

**ACCOMMODATION:** SEEDS participants will stay in a house in Reykjavík. The facilities are basic with a kitchen, showers, and a washing machine. Everyone is expected to show consideration for their companions. Participants will sleep in shared rooms or dormitories. Please bring your own sleeping bag.

Volunteers will receive food supplies and will be in charge of cooking and cleaning. Please note the food SEEDS provides will be **vegetarian**. Do not forget to bring some traditional/typical food, drinks, recipes, music, games or movies from your country for the international evening. Please be aware some items or ingredients may be expensive in Iceland and you will need to buy them yourselves or bring them from your country.

**LOCATION:** Reykjavík is a dynamic, modern city which lives in harmony with nature, using renewable energy sources. The world's northernmost capital bridges the Atlantic, between Europe and North America. Reykjavík is spread across a peninsula with a panoramic view of the mountains and the Atlantic. It is an international city with a lively cosmopolitan cultural scene surrounded by beautiful nature.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; basic conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

**EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS**: Participation fee **EUR 300 (Euros)**. The fee can either be transferred in advance via **bank transfer**, or paid **in cash** on arrival. It includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first day), the visits available; and one trip combined with the trash collection activity (Hot River or Reykjanes).

Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) on 21 July at SEEDS Office in Reykjavik. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later or delayed flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp on their own.

Other excursions (e.g. Golden Circle, the South Shore, Reykjanes and/or Snæfellsnes) can be arranged at discount fares if there is additional free time after the camp workshops/sessions.



# SEEDS 044. July Photo Marathon in Reykjavík

21.07 - 29.07 ARTS / STUD 8 - 12 Participants

Age: 16 - 20

**PROJECT**: This is the fourteenth year (since 2008) that SEEDS organises a series of International Photo marathons, while we started organising camps open for teenagers in the year 2010.

Throughout the year participants from all over the world come to Iceland for an immersive photography-related learning camp. SEEDS coordinators help the participants to develop their unique photographic skills through workshops and feedback sessions on technical settings, compositional considerations as well as developing conceptual frameworks which progress the participants' individual style.

Participants will have time to put the theory about photography into practice, walking around and exploring the city. At the end of the camp, the best photographs from each participant are selected for an online exhibition on SEEDS' social media. Participants should bring their own digital cameras, lenses, tripods and laptops if possible.

While learning about photography the participants explore Icelandic culture by taking part in it, capturing it and also by displaying their work during the camps. One of our objectives is to deliver environmental as well as cultural messages and draw attention through pictures made in the camp.

Participants should be ready to spend time outdoors walking medium distances during activities and working within a flexible time schedule. Participants will be photographing in their free time outside of workshop hours with images to be discussed at group feedback sessions.

This camp is open to participants aged 16 to 20 years. During their stay SEEDS organises a programme that combines learning, sharing, getting to know Iceland and its culture, and having fun while exploring the city and some of the most stunning natural attractions in the Golden Circle and South Shore excursions.

Note this project is a learning/sharing camp and not a regular workcamp; it has a smaller work part and puts more emphasis on the personal learning process than on the community impact. We may be able to organise some outdoor voluntary work, but it depends on our partners and the weather.

**ACCOMMODATION**: SEEDS' participants will stay in a house in Reykjavík. The facilities are basic with a kitchen, showers, and a washing machine. Everyone is expected to show consideration for their companions. Participants will sleep in shared rooms. They need to bring their own sleeping bags. Participants from other camps may also stay in the house.

Participants will receive food supplies and be in charge of the cooking and cleaning activities. Participants should bring food, music, games or films and such from their own culture to share at the international evening.

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LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; basic conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

**EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS:** Participation fee **EUR 550** (Euros), which needs to be transferred to SEEDS the latest one month before the camp starts to confirm the placement of the participant/s. The fee includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first), with the Golden Circle and South Shore excursions (1 full day trip each). We will visit spectacular waterfalls, geysers, a glacier, impressive coastline, a volcano crater, the Thingvellir National Park and much more.

Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) in the afternoon of 21 July at the BSÍ bus station or at SEEDS office. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp.

Additional excursions (eg. Hot River Hike, Snæfellsnes or Reykjanes Peninsula) can be arranged at discount fares in case there is additional free time after the workshops and sessions of the camp.



#### SEEDS 047. Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting in Reykjavík

29.07 - 06.08 ENVI / STUD 8 - 12 Participants

Age: 18+

**PROJECT:** The Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting project is part of a series of camps organised by SEEDS in cooperation with different partners. SEEDS works with The Blue Army, an organisation dedicated to the cause of coast cleaning; Sea Shepherd Iceland, an organisation dedicated to defend, conserve and protect the oceans; Whales of Iceland, an exhibition of life size models of whales and porpoises aiming at educating about their lives and human impact on their existence, and SORPA, the organisation in charge of waste collection & management in the Reykjavík area.

This camp allows participants to learn about global and local environmental issues, through non-formal activities such as workshops, discussions, presentations and visits, as well as to contribute directly to environment protection by joining outdoor cleanup tasks.

These cleanup tasks may be arranged in partnership with the abovementioned organisations or organised solely by SEEDS. We aim to also involve the local community, so some of our events may be open to the public. We hope participants will also learn how to plan and do their own trash hunting projects back home. This project is based on similar activities around the world, where outstanding results have been achieved with volunteers. One of the two options below is also included in this camp as a hands-on volunteering activity day:

- 1. A day trip combining a guided tour to the Hellisheiði power station, a trash hunt in the Blue Mountains area; and the Hot River Hike, a hike up a valley filled with hot springs where one can bathe.
- 2. A day trip to the Reykjanes peninsula, combined with a coastal cleanup in the area.

Furthermore, participants may be able to visit the recycling centre SORPA, where a tour of the facilities and a lecture regarding waste management in Reykjavik will be provided. The mentioned activities are dependent on conditions such as weather, pandemic-related restrictions, as well as availability of our partner organisations.

This camp combines learning, sharing, hands-on work and fun. No previous experience is needed. Volunteers should prepare to share environmental issues from their countries and be ready to spend time outdoors, walk medium distances during the cleanups, as during other activities and sightseeing. As part of the project happens outdoors, volunteers should be ready to adapt and be flexible with the work and free-time schedule, as depending on the changeable weather, we may not be able to perform some of the activities planned.

**ACCOMMODATION:** SEEDS participants will stay in a house in Reykjavík. The facilities are basic with a kitchen, showers, and a washing machine. Everyone is expected to show consideration for their companions. Participants will sleep in shared rooms or dormitories. Please bring your own sleeping bag.

Volunteers will receive food supplies and will be in charge of cooking and cleaning. Please note the food SEEDS provides will be **vegetarian**. Do not forget to bring some traditional/typical food, drinks, recipes, music, games or movies from your country for the international evening. Please be aware some items or ingredients may be expensive in Iceland and you will need to buy them yourselves or bring them from your country.

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LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; basic conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

**EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS**: Participation fee **EUR 300 (Euros)**. The fee can either be transferred in advance via **bank transfer**, or paid **in cash** on arrival. It includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first day), the visits available; and one trip combined with the trash collection activity (Hot River or Reykjanes).

Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) on 29 July at SEEDS Office in Reykjavik. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later or delayed flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp on their own.

Other excursions (e.g. Golden Circle, the South Shore, Reykjanes and/or Snæfellsnes) can be arranged at discount fares if there is additional free time after the camp workshops/sessions.



# SEEDS 048. Summer Photo Marathon in Reykjavík

29.07 - 06.08 ARTS / STUD 8 - 12 Participants

Age: 16 - 20

**PROJECT**: This is the fourteenth year (since 2008) that SEEDS organises a series of International Photo marathons, while we started organising camps open for teenagers in the year 2010.

Throughout the year participants from all over the world come to Iceland for an immersive photography-related learning camp. SEEDS coordinators help the participants to develop their unique photographic skills through workshops and feedback sessions on technical settings, compositional considerations as well as developing conceptual frameworks which progress the participants' individual style.

Participants will have time to put the theory about photography into practice, walking around and exploring the city. At the end of the camp, the best photographs from each participant are selected for an online exhibition on SEEDS' social media. Participants should bring their own digital cameras, lenses, tripods and laptops if possible.

While learning about photography the participants explore Icelandic culture by taking part in it, capturing it and also by displaying their work during the camps. One of our objectives is to deliver environmental as well as cultural messages and draw attention through pictures made in the camp.

Participants should be ready to spend time outdoors walking medium distances during activities and working within a flexible time schedule. Participants will be photographing in their free time outside of workshop hours with images to be discussed at group feedback sessions.

This camp is open to participants aged 16 to 20 years. During their stay SEEDS organises a programme that combines learning, sharing, getting to know Iceland and its culture, and having fun while exploring the city and some of the most stunning natural attractions in the Golden Circle and South Shore excursions.

Note this project is a learning/sharing camp and not a regular workcamp; it has a smaller work part and puts more emphasis on the personal learning process than on the community impact. We may be able to organise some outdoor voluntary work, but it depends on our partners and the weather.

**ACCOMMODATION**: SEEDS' participants will stay in a house in Reykjavík. The facilities are basic with a kitchen, showers, and a washing machine. Everyone is expected to show consideration for their companions. Participants will sleep in shared rooms. They need to bring their own sleeping bags. Participants from other camps may also stay in the house.

Participants will receive food supplies and be in charge of the cooking and cleaning activities. Participants should bring food, music, games or films and such from their own culture to share at the international evening.

**LOCATION**: Reykjavík is a dynamic, modern city which lives in harmony with nature, using renewable energy sources. The world's northernmost capital bridges the Atlantic, between Europe and North America. Reykjavík is spread across a peninsula with a panoramic view of the mountains and the Atlantic. It is an international city with a lively cosmopolitan cultural scene surrounded by beautiful nature.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; basic conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

**EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS:** Participation fee **EUR 550** (Euros), which needs to be transferred to SEEDS the latest one month before the camp starts to confirm the placement of the participant/s. The fee includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first), with the Golden Circle and South Shore excursions (1 full day trip each). We will visit spectacular waterfalls, geysers, a glacier, impressive coastline, a volcano crater, the Thingvellir National Park and much more.

Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) in the afternoon of 29 July at the BSÍ bus station or at SEEDS office. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp.

Additional excursions (eg. Hot River Hike, Snæfellsnes or Reykjanes Peninsula) can be arranged at discount fares in case there is additional free time after the workshops and sessions of the camp.



#### SEEDS 050. Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting in Reykjavík

06.08 - 14.08 ENVI / STUD 8 - 12 Participants

Age: 18+

**PROJECT:** The Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting project is part of a series of camps organised by SEEDS in cooperation with different partners. SEEDS works with The Blue Army, an organisation dedicated to the cause of coast cleaning; Sea Shepherd Iceland, an organisation dedicated to defend, conserve and protect the oceans; Whales of Iceland, an exhibition of life size models of whales and porpoises aiming at educating about their lives and human impact on their existence, and SORPA, the organisation in charge of waste collection & management in the Reykjavík area.

This camp allows participants to learn about global and local environmental issues, through non-formal activities such as workshops, discussions, presentations and visits, as well as to contribute directly to environment protection by joining outdoor cleanup tasks.

These cleanup tasks may be arranged in partnership with the abovementioned organisations or organised solely by SEEDS. We aim to also involve the local community, so some of our events may be open to the public. We hope participants will also learn how to plan and do their own trash hunting projects back home. This project is based on similar activities around the world, where outstanding results have been achieved with volunteers. One of the two options below is also included in this camp as a hands-on volunteering activity day:

- 1. A day trip combining a guided tour to the Hellisheiði power station, a trash hunt in the Blue Mountains area; and the Hot River Hike, a hike up a valley filled with hot springs where one can bathe.
- 2. A day trip to the Reykjanes peninsula, combined with a coastal cleanup in the area.

Furthermore, participants may be able to visit the recycling centre SORPA, where a tour of the facilities and a lecture regarding waste management in Reykjavik will be provided. The mentioned activities are dependent on conditions such as weather, pandemic-related restrictions, as well as availability of our partner organisations.

This camp combines learning, sharing, hands-on work and fun. No previous experience is needed. Volunteers should prepare to share environmental issues from their countries and be ready to spend time outdoors, walk medium distances during the cleanups, as during other activities and sightseeing. As part of the project happens outdoors, volunteers should be ready to adapt and be flexible with the work and free-time schedule, as depending on the changeable weather, we may not be able to perform some of the activities planned.

**ACCOMMODATION:** SEEDS participants will stay in a house in Reykjavík. The facilities are basic with a kitchen, showers, and a washing machine. Everyone is expected to show consideration for their companions. Participants will sleep in shared rooms or dormitories. Please bring your own sleeping bag.

Volunteers will receive food supplies and will be in charge of cooking and cleaning. Please note the food SEEDS provides will be **vegetarian**. Do not forget to bring some traditional/typical food, drinks, recipes, music, games or movies from your country for the international evening. Please be aware some items or ingredients may be expensive in Iceland and you will need to buy them yourselves or bring them from your country.

**LOCATION:** Reykjavík is a dynamic, modern city which lives in harmony with nature, using renewable energy sources. The world's northernmost capital bridges the Atlantic, between Europe and North America. Reykjavík is spread across a peninsula with a panoramic view of the mountains and the Atlantic. It is an international city with a lively cosmopolitan cultural scene surrounded by beautiful nature.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; basic conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

**EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS**: Participation fee **EUR 300 (Euros)**. The fee can either be transferred in advance via **bank transfer**, or paid **in cash** on arrival. It includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first day), the visits available; and one trip combined with the trash collection activity (Hot River or Reykjanes).

Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) on 6 August at SEEDS Office in Reykjavik. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later or delayed flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp on their own.

Other excursions (e.g. Golden Circle, the South Shore, Reykjanes and/or Snæfellsnes) can be arranged at discount fares if there is additional free time after the camp workshops/sessions.



#### SEEDS 051. August Photo Marathon in Reykjavík

06.08 - 14.08 ARTS / STUD 8 - 12 Participants

Age: 16 - 20

**PROJECT**: This is the fourteenth year (since 2008) that SEEDS organises a series of international photo marathons, while we started organising camps open for teenagers in the year 2010.

Throughout the year, participants from all over the world come to Iceland for an immersive photography-related learning camp. SEEDS coordinators help the participants to develop their unique photographic skills through workshops and feedback sessions on technical settings, compositional considerations as well as developing conceptual frameworks, which progress the participants' individual style.

Participants will have time to put the theory about photography into practice, walking around and exploring the city. At the end of the camp, the best photographs from each participant are selected for an online exhibition on SEEDS' social media. Participants should bring their own digital cameras, lenses, tripods and laptops if possible.

While learning about photography the participants explore Icelandic culture by taking part in it, capturing it and also by displaying their work during the camps. One of our objectives is to deliver environmental as well as cultural messages and draw attention through pictures made in the camp.

Participants should be ready to spend time outdoors walking medium distances during activities and working within a flexible time schedule. Participants will be photographing in their free time outside of workshop hours with images to be discussed at group feedback sessions.

This camp is open to participants aged 16 to 20 years. During their stay, SEEDS organises a programme that combines learning, sharing, getting to know Iceland and its culture, and having fun while exploring the city and some of the most stunning natural attractions in the Golden Circle and South Shore excursions.

Note this project is a learning/sharing camp and not a regular workcamp; it has a smaller work part and puts more emphasis on the personal learning process than on the community impact. We may be able to organise some outdoor voluntary work, but this depends on our partners and the weather.

The Reykjavík Gay Pride 2021 takes place from 3 to 8 August. Many events and happiness colour the city during these days; participants will have the opportunity to enjoy the events and join the famous parade! The Pride is one of the most vibrant and popular events in Reykjavík's cultural calendar. More details at <a href="https://www.gaypride.is">www.gaypride.is</a>

**ACCOMMODATION**: SEEDS' participants will stay in a house in Reykjavík. The facilities are basic with a kitchen, showers, and a washing machine. Everyone is expected to show consideration for their companions. Participants will sleep in shared rooms. They need to bring their own sleeping bags.

Participants will receive food supplies and be in charge of cooking and cleaning. Please note the food SEEDS provides will be **vegetarian**. Participants should bring food, music, games or films and such from their own culture to share at the intercultural evening.

**LOCATION**: Reykjavík is a dynamic, modern city which lives in harmony with nature, using renewable energy sources. The world's northernmost capital bridges the Atlantic, between Europe and North America. Reykjavík is spread across a peninsula with a panoramic view of the mountains and the Atlantic. It is an international city with a lively cosmopolitan cultural scene surrounded by beautiful nature.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; basic conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

**EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS:** Participation fee **EUR 550** (Euros), which needs to be transferred to SEEDS the latest one month before the camp starts to confirm the placement. The fee includes transport from the meeting point to the camp (on the first day), the Golden Circle and South Shore excursions. We will visit spectacular waterfalls, geysers, a glacier, impressive coastline, a volcano crater, the Thingvellir National Park and more.

Meeting time will be 16:00 (4:00 pm) in the afternoon of 6 August at the BSÍ bus station or at SEEDS' office. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp.

Additional excursions (e.g. the Hot River Hike, the Vesturland Trip, Snæfellsnes or Reykjanes Peninsula) can be arranged at discount fares in case there is additional free time after the workshops and sessions of the camp. Weather may be cold or rainy, so we recommend bringing warm and/or waterproof clothes.



#### SEEDS 052. Botanical Gardens in Reykjavík

08.08 - 21.08 ENVI / MANU 6 - 8 Volunteers Age: 20+

**WORK/PROJECT:** This is the eleventh year in a row SEEDS offers projects in the Botanical Gardens in Reykjavík. The Botanical Gardens are an outdoor collection of living plants, founded in 1961 and it will celebrate its 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2021. The garden's main role is to conserve plants for education, research and delight. It conserves some 5000 plant species in eight plant collections. The collections give an idea of the enormous diversity of vegetation in the northern temperate zone. The garden is open to the public and free of charge.

SEEDS volunteers will be doing general park maintenance and assisting the horticultural staff tending to the collection of perennials, alpine trees and shrubs in the garden. The garden organises guided tours and events throughout the summer and some groups of volunteers will assist in the preparation and practical work related to some of these events. The group of volunteers will be able to join them. These special events are all related to the general aim and work of the garden and some of them are carried out at short notice.

The work can be repetitive as general gardening tasks tend to be and most of it is outdoors. The project starts early every weekday: working hours are from 8:00 - 15:00, except on Fridays, when work finishes at 12:00 as a part of an ongoing research into shortening the working week. Volunteers have to be motivated to start work early in the morning, but in compensation they will have more free time in the afternoon.

No previous experience is necessary. As it is outdoors work, volunteers must be ready to adapt and be flexible with the working and free-time schedule, as depending on the weather, we may not be able to perform some of the tasks or activities planned.

**ACCOMMODATION:** SEEDS volunteers will stay in an equipped house, in a beautiful setting in the Botanical Gardens of Reykjavík, which are located about 4 kilometres from the centre of the city. The facilities are basic with a kitchen, showers, and a washing machine. Everyone is expected to show consideration for their companions. Participants will sleep in shared rooms or dormitories. Please bring your own sleeping bag.

Please note that participants from other projects may also be staying in the same house. Volunteers will receive food supplies and be in charge of cooking and cleaning. Do not forget to bring some traditional/typical food, drinks, recipes, music, games or movies from your country for the international evening. Please be aware some items or ingredients may be expensive in Iceland and you will need to buy them yourselves or bring them from your country.

**LOCATION**: Reykjavík is a dynamic, modern city which lives in harmony with nature, using renewable energy sources such as geothermal power. About two thirds of the population of Iceland live in Reykjavík including the metropolitan area; over 200,000 people.

The world's northernmost capital bridges the Atlantic, between Europe and North America. Reykjavík is spread across a peninsula with a panoramic view of the mountains and the Atlantic. Visitors easily experience the pure energy at the heart of Iceland's capital, whether from the boiling thermal energy underground, the natural green energy within the city and around it, or the lively culture and fun-filled nightlife.

LANGUAGE: English will be the official language in the camp; high proficiency is not a requirement.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ)

**EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS:** Participation fee **EUR 350 (Euros)**. The fee can either be transferred in advance via **bank transfer**, or paid **in cash** on arrival. It includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first day) and the Golden Circle excursion

Meeting point will be at the SEEDS office in Reykjavík at 18:00 (6:00 pm) on 8 August. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later or delayed flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp on their own.

Other excursions (South Shore, Hot River Hike, Snæfellsnes or Reykjanes Peninsula) can be arranged at discount fares for SEEDS participants in case there is additional free time after work or during the weekends.

Participants in this camp will have a free pass to access one of the largest swimming pools in Iceland, situated within walking distance from the camp's accommodation.

Weather may be cold or rainy, so we recommend bringing good walking shoes/boots, warm and/or waterproof clothes (underlayers, overcoats, scarves, gloves and hats) as most of the tasks and activities take place outside.



#### SEEDS 053. Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting in Reykjavík

14.08 - 22.08 ENVI / STUD 8 - 12 Participants

Age: 18+

**PROJECT:** The Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting project is part of a series of camps organised by SEEDS in cooperation with different partners. SEEDS works with The Blue Army, an organisation dedicated to the cause of coast cleaning; Sea Shepherd Iceland, an organisation dedicated to defend, conserve and protect the oceans; Whales of Iceland, an exhibition of life size models of whales and porpoises aiming at educating about their lives and human impact on their existence, and SORPA, the organisation in charge of waste collection & management in the Reykjavík area.

This camp allows participants to learn about global and local environmental issues, through non-formal activities such as workshops, discussions, presentations and visits, as well as to contribute directly to environment protection by joining outdoor cleanup tasks.

These cleanup tasks may be arranged in partnership with the abovementioned organisations or organised solely by SEEDS. We aim to also involve the local community, so some of our events may be open to the public. We hope participants will also learn how to plan and do their own trash hunting projects back home. This project is based on similar activities around the world, where outstanding results have been achieved with volunteers. One of the two options below is also included in this camp as a hands-on volunteering activity day:

- 1. A day trip combining a guided tour to the Hellisheiði power station, a trash hunt in the Blue Mountains area; and the Hot River Hike, a hike up a valley filled with hot springs where one can bathe.
- 2. A day trip to the Reykjanes peninsula, combined with a coastal cleanup in the area.

Furthermore, participants may be able to visit the recycling centre SORPA, where a tour of the facilities and a lecture regarding waste management in Reykjavik will be provided. The mentioned activities are dependent on conditions such as weather, pandemic-related restrictions, as well as availability of our partner organisations.

This camp combines learning, sharing, hands-on work and fun. No previous experience is needed. Volunteers should prepare to share environmental issues from their countries and be ready to spend time outdoors, walk medium distances during the cleanups, as during other activities and sightseeing. As part of the project happens outdoors, volunteers should be ready to adapt and be flexible with the work and free-time schedule, as depending on the changeable weather, we may not be able to perform some of the activities planned.

**ACCOMMODATION:** SEEDS participants will stay in a house in Reykjavík. The facilities are basic with a kitchen, showers, and a washing machine. Everyone is expected to show consideration for their companions. Participants will sleep in shared rooms or dormitories. Please bring your own sleeping bag.

Volunteers will receive food supplies and will be in charge of cooking and cleaning. Please note the food SEEDS provides will be **vegetarian**. Do not forget to bring some traditional/typical food, drinks, recipes, music, games or movies from your country for the international evening. Please be aware some items or ingredients may be expensive in Iceland and you will need to buy them yourselves or bring them from your country.

**LOCATION:** Reykjavík is a dynamic, modern city which lives in harmony with nature, using renewable energy sources. The world's northernmost capital bridges the Atlantic, between Europe and North America. Reykjavík is spread across a peninsula with a panoramic view of the mountains and the Atlantic. It is an international city with a lively cosmopolitan cultural scene surrounded by beautiful nature.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; basic conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS: Participation fee EUR 300 (Euros). The fee can either be transferred in advance via bank transfer, or paid in cash on arrival. It includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first day), the visits available; and one trip combined with the trash collection activity (Hot River or Reykjanes). Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) on 14 August at SEEDS Office in Reykjavik. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later or delayed flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp on their own.



#### SEEDS 054. Photography & Culture Night in Reykjavík

14.08 - 22.08 ARTS / STUD 8 - 12 Participants

Age: 16 - 20

**PROJECT**: This is the fourteenth year (since 2008) that SEEDS organises a series of international photo marathons, while we started organising camps open for teenagers in the year 2010.

Throughout the year, participants from all over the world come to Iceland for an immersive photography-related learning camp. SEEDS coordinators help the participants to develop their unique photographic skills through workshops and feedback sessions on technical settings, compositional considerations as well as developing conceptual frameworks, which progress the participants' individual style.

Participants will have time to put the theory about photography into practice, walking around and exploring the city. At the end of the camp, the best photographs from each participant are selected for an online exhibition on SEEDS' social media. Participants should bring their own digital cameras, lenses, tripods and laptops if possible.

While learning about photography the participants explore Icelandic culture by taking part in it, capturing it and also by displaying their work during the camps. One of our objectives is to deliver environmental as well as cultural messages and draw attention through pictures made in the camp.

Participants should be ready to spend time outdoors walking medium distances during activities and working within a flexible time schedule. Participants will be photographing in their free time outside of workshop hours with images to be discussed at group feedback sessions.

This camp is open to participants aged 16 to 20 years. During their stay, SEEDS organises a programme that combines learning, sharing, getting to know Iceland and its culture, and having fun while exploring the city and some of the most stunning natural attractions in the Golden Circle and South Shore excursions.

Note this project is a learning/sharing camp and not a regular workcamp; it has a smaller work part and puts more emphasis on the personal learning process than on the community impact. We may be able to organise some outdoor voluntary work, but this depends on our partners and the weather.

We will partly join the happenings of **Menningarnótt** (The Culture Night) on 21 August, a yearly event that has now become the largest festival in Iceland. It consists of a main stage in the centre and smaller events spread over the city. The highlight is an outside concert by a few popular musicians followed by a fireworks show.

**ACCOMMODATION**: SEEDS' participants will stay in a house in Reykjavík. The facilities are basic with a kitchen, showers, and a washing machine. Everyone is expected to show consideration for their companions. Participants will sleep in shared rooms. They need to bring their own sleeping bags.

Participants will receive food supplies and be in charge of cooking and cleaning. Please note the food SEEDS provides will be **vegetarian**. Participants should bring food, music, games or films and such from their own culture to share at the intercultural evening.

**LOCATION**: Reykjavík is a dynamic, modern city which lives in harmony with nature, using renewable energy sources. The world's northernmost capital bridges the Atlantic, between Europe and North America. Reykjavík is spread across a peninsula with a panoramic view of the mountains and the Atlantic. It is an international city with a lively cosmopolitan cultural scene surrounded by beautiful nature.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; basic conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

**EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS:** Participation fee **EUR 550** (Euros), which needs to be transferred to SEEDS the latest one month before the camp starts to confirm the placement. The fee includes transport from the meeting point to the camp (on the first day), the Golden Circle and South Shore excursions. We will visit spectacular waterfalls, geysers, a glacier, impressive coastline, a volcano crater, the Thingvellir National Park and more.

Meeting time will be 16:00 (4:00 pm) in the afternoon of 14 August at the BSÍ bus station or at SEEDS' office. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp.

Additional excursions (e.g. the Hot River Hike, the Vesturland Trip, Snæfellsnes or Reykjanes Peninsula) can be arranged at discount fares in case there is additional free time after the workshops and sessions of the camp. Weather may be cold or rainy, so we recommend bringing warm and/or waterproof clothes.



#### SEEDS 056. Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting in Reykjavík

22.08 - 30.08 ENVI / STUD 8 - 12 Participants

Age: 18+

**PROJECT:** The Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting project is part of a series of camps organised by SEEDS in cooperation with different partners. SEEDS works with The Blue Army, an organisation dedicated to the cause of coast cleaning; Sea Shepherd Iceland, an organisation dedicated to defend, conserve and protect the oceans; Whales of Iceland, an exhibition of life size models of whales and porpoises aiming at educating about their lives and human impact on their existence, and SORPA, the organisation in charge of waste collection & management in the Reykjavík area.

This camp allows participants to learn about global and local environmental issues, through non-formal activities such as workshops, discussions, presentations and visits, as well as to contribute directly to environment protection by joining outdoor cleanup tasks.

These cleanup tasks may be arranged in partnership with the abovementioned organisations or organised solely by SEEDS. We aim to also involve the local community, so some of our events may be open to the public. We hope participants will also learn how to plan and do their own trash hunting projects back home. This project is based on similar activities around the world, where outstanding results have been achieved with volunteers. One of the two options below is also included in this camp as a hands-on volunteering activity day:

- 1. A day trip combining a guided tour to the Hellisheiði power station, a trash hunt in the Blue Mountains area; and the Hot River Hike, a hike up a valley filled with hot springs where one can bathe.
- 2. A day trip to the Reykjanes peninsula, combined with a coastal cleanup in the area.

Furthermore, participants may be able to visit the recycling centre SORPA, where a tour of the facilities and a lecture regarding waste management in Reykjavik will be provided. The mentioned activities are dependent on conditions such as weather, pandemic-related restrictions, as well as availability of our partner organisations.

This camp combines learning, sharing, hands-on work and fun. No previous experience is needed. Volunteers should prepare to share environmental issues from their countries and be ready to spend time outdoors, walk medium distances during the cleanups, as during other activities and sightseeing. As part of the project happens outdoors, volunteers should be ready to adapt and be flexible with the work and free-time schedule, as depending on the changeable weather, we may not be able to perform some of the activities planned.

**ACCOMMODATION:** SEEDS participants will stay in a house in Reykjavík. The facilities are basic with a kitchen, showers, and a washing machine. Everyone is expected to show consideration for their companions. Participants will sleep in shared rooms or dormitories. Please bring your own sleeping bag.

Volunteers will receive food supplies and will be in charge of cooking and cleaning. Please note the food SEEDS provides will be **vegetarian**. Do not forget to bring some traditional/typical food, drinks, recipes, music, games or movies from your country for the international evening. Please be aware some items or ingredients may be expensive in Iceland and you will need to buy them yourselves or bring them from your country.

**LOCATION:** Reykjavík is a dynamic, modern city which lives in harmony with nature, using renewable energy sources. The world's northernmost capital bridges the Atlantic, between Europe and North America. Reykjavík is spread across a peninsula with a panoramic view of the mountains and the Atlantic. It is an international city with a lively cosmopolitan cultural scene surrounded by beautiful nature.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; basic conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS: Participation fee EUR 300 (Euros). The fee can either be transferred in advance via bank transfer, or paid in cash on arrival. It includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first day), the visits available; and one trip combined with the trash collection activity (Hot River or Reykjanes). Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) on 22 August at SEEDS Office in Reykjavik. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later or delayed flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp on their own.



# SEEDS 057. Photography & Fun in Reykjavík

22.08 - 30.08 ARTS / STUD 8 - 12 Participants

Age: 16 - 20

**PROJECT**: This is the fourteenth year (since 2008) that SEEDS organises a series of international photo marathons, while we started organising camps open for teenagers in the year 2010.

Throughout the year, participants from all over the world come to Iceland for an immersive photography-related learning camp. SEEDS coordinators help the participants to develop their unique photographic skills through workshops and feedback sessions on technical settings, compositional considerations as well as developing conceptual frameworks, which progress the participants' individual style.

Participants will have time to put the theory about photography into practice, walking around and exploring the city. At the end of the camp, the best photographs from each participant are selected for an online exhibition on SEEDS' social media. Participants should bring their own digital cameras, lenses, tripods and laptops if possible.

While learning about photography the participants explore Icelandic culture by taking part in it, capturing it and also by displaying their work during the camps. One of our objectives is to deliver environmental as well as cultural messages and draw attention through pictures made in the camp.

Participants should be ready to spend time outdoors walking medium distances during activities and working within a flexible time schedule. Participants will be photographing in their free time outside of workshop hours with images to be discussed at group feedback sessions.

This camp is open to participants aged 16 to 20 years. During their stay, SEEDS organises a programme that combines learning, sharing, getting to know Iceland and its culture, and having fun while exploring the city and some of the most stunning natural attractions in the Golden Circle and South Shore excursions.

Note this project is a learning/sharing camp and not a regular workcamp; it has a smaller work part and puts more emphasis on the personal learning process than on the community impact. We may be able to organise some outdoor voluntary work, but this depends on our partners and the weather.

**ACCOMMODATION**: SEEDS' participants will stay in a house in Reykjavík. The facilities are basic with a kitchen, showers, and a washing machine. Everyone is expected to show consideration for their companions. Participants will sleep in shared rooms. They need to bring their own sleeping bags.

Participants will receive food supplies and be in charge of cooking and cleaning. Please note the food SEEDS provides will be **vegetarian**. Participants should bring food, music, games or films and such from their own culture to share at the intercultural evening.

**LOCATION**: Reykjavík is a dynamic, modern city which lives in harmony with nature, using renewable energy sources. The world's northernmost capital bridges the Atlantic, between Europe and North America. Reykjavík is spread across a peninsula with a panoramic view of the mountains and the Atlantic. It is an international city with a lively cosmopolitan cultural scene surrounded by beautiful nature.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; basic conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

**EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS:** Participation fee **EUR 550** (Euros), which needs to be transferred to SEEDS the latest one month before the camp starts to confirm the placement. The fee includes transport from the meeting point to the camp (on the first day), the Golden Circle and South Shore excursions. We will visit spectacular waterfalls, geysers, a glacier, impressive coastline, a volcano crater, the Thingvellir National Park and more.

Meeting time will be 16:00 (4:00 pm) in the afternoon of 22 August at the BSÍ bus station or at SEEDS' office. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp.

Additional excursions (e.g. the Hot River Hike, the Vesturland Trip, Snæfellsnes or Reykjanes Peninsula) can be arranged at discount fares in case there is additional free time after the workshops and sessions of the camp.



#### SEEDS 058. Botanical Gardens in Reykjavík

22.08 - 04.09 ENVI / MANU 6 - 8 Volunteers Age: 20+

**WORK/PROJECT:** This is the eleventh year in a row SEEDS offers projects in the Botanical Gardens in Reykjavík. The Botanical Gardens are an outdoor collection of living plants, founded in 1961 and it will celebrate its 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2021. The garden's main role is to conserve plants for education, research and delight. It conserves some 5000 plant species in eight plant collections. The collections give an idea of the enormous diversity of vegetation in the northern temperate zone. The garden is open to the public and free of charge.

SEEDS volunteers will be doing general park maintenance and assisting the horticultural staff tending to the collection of perennials, alpine trees and shrubs in the garden. The garden organises guided tours and events throughout the summer and some groups of volunteers will assist in the preparation and practical work related to some of these events. The group of volunteers will be able to join them. These special events are all related to the general aim and work of the garden and some of them are carried out at short notice.

The work can be repetitive as general gardening tasks tend to be and most of it is outdoors. The project starts early every weekday; working hours are from 8:00 - 15:00, except on Fridays, when work finishes at 12:00 as a part of an ongoing research into shortening the working week. Volunteers have to be motivated to start work early in the morning, but in compensation they will have more free time in the afternoon.

No previous experience is necessary. As it is outdoors work, volunteers must be ready to adapt and be flexible with the working and free-time schedule, as depending on the weather, we may not be able to perform some of the tasks or activities planned.

**ACCOMMODATION:** SEEDS volunteers will stay in an equipped house, in a beautiful setting in the Botanical Gardens of Reykjavík, which are located about 4 kilometres from the centre of the city. The facilities are basic with a kitchen, showers, and a washing machine. Everyone is expected to show consideration for their companions. Participants will sleep in shared rooms or dormitories. Please bring your own sleeping bag.

Please note that participants from other projects may also be staying in the same house. Volunteers will receive food supplies and be in charge of cooking and cleaning. Do not forget to bring some traditional/typical food, drinks, recipes, music, games or movies from your country for the international evening. Please be aware some items or ingredients may be expensive in Iceland and you will need to buy them yourselves or bring them from your country.

**LOCATION**: Reykjavík is a dynamic, modern city which lives in harmony with nature, using renewable energy sources such as geothermal power. About two thirds of the population of Iceland live in Reykjavík including the metropolitan area; over 200,000 people.

The world's northernmost capital bridges the Atlantic, between Europe and North America. Reykjavík is spread across a peninsula with a panoramic view of the mountains and the Atlantic. Visitors easily experience the pure energy at the heart of Iceland's capital, whether from the boiling thermal energy underground, the natural green energy within the city and around it, or the lively culture and fun-filled nightlife.

LANGUAGE: English will be the official language in the camp; high proficiency is not a requirement.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ)

**EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS:** Participation fee **EUR 350 (Euros)**. The fee can either be transferred in advance via **bank transfer**, or paid **in cash** on arrival. It includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first day) and the Golden Circle excursion

Meeting point will be at the SEEDS office in Reykjavík at 18:00 (6:00 pm) on 22 August. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later or delayed flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp on their own.

Other excursions (South Shore, Hot River Hike, Snæfellsnes or Reykjanes Peninsula) can be arranged at discount fares for SEEDS participants in case there is additional free time after work or during the weekends.

Participants in this camp will have a free pass to access one of the largest swimming pools in Iceland, situated within walking distance from the camp's accommodation.

Weather may be cold or rainy, so we recommend bringing good walking shoes/boots, warm and/or waterproof clothes (underlayers, overcoats, scarves, gloves and hats) as most of the tasks and activities take place outside.



### SEEDS 059. The Highlands of Iceland - The Famous Kjölur Road (2/2)

22.08 - 04.09 ENVI / CONS / RENO 8 Volunteers Age: 18+

**WORK/PROJECT:** SEEDS volunteers will support this project for the thirteenth year in a row. We started cooperation in 2009 and the results have been very positive. The hosts are a group of locals developing the area with alternative tourism services, including running a series of huts in this isolated area in the highlands and offering services to visitors and hikers.

In this camp SEEDS volunteers will work on diverse environmental outdoor tasks, including maintenance and development of new walking paths and landscaping around the huts in the area. Volunteers will also help with clearing litter on the walking paths, and assisting with general maintenance and preparations before the winter.

As the landscape is rough, the work can be physically demanding and might require a good physical condition. No previous experience is needed. As it is outdoors work, volunteers shall be ready to adapt and be flexible with the working and free-time schedule, as depending on the changeable weather, we may not be able to perform some of the tasks or activities planned.

Volunteers need to be prepared for working and walking in a wild landscape in one of the most isolated areas of Iceland. Be prepared to experience all kinds of weather and bring warm winter clothes as the tasks take place outside and it can get very cold in the highlands. Bring warm under-layers, waterproofs, walking shoes/boots, a good sleeping bag, hat scarves and gloves.

**ACCOMMODATION**: Volunteers will be hosted in a local mountain hut, sleeping in shared rooms on mattresses on the floor. Please bring your own sleeping bag. The facilities are very basic and volunteers are expected to show consideration for their companions.

Volunteers will receive food ingredients and will be in charge of cooking and cleaning. Do not forget to bring some traditional/typical food, drinks, music and recipes from your country for the international evening.

**LOCATION:** The Icelandic highlands, or "the interior", are a true pearl to nature lovers and outdoor people. It is accessible by 4WD cars only and most routes involve crossing rivers where there are no bridges. If you really want to get away from it all, the interior of Iceland is like nothing you have ever experienced. The mountainous centre of the island, with its rocky deserts, craggy mountain peaks, ice caps, volcanoes, hidden valleys and hot springs, is an awesome and untouched wilderness.

The interior was almost totally inaccessible until recently. However, outlaws managed to hide out for years at a time in the highlands, rustling sheep and keeping away from law-abiding citizens. Folklore stories tell of both natural and supernatural beings that lay in wait for unwary highland travellers. Travellers going between the north and south of Iceland sometimes had to cross the highlands. To get to the assembly of Alþingi (parliament) each summer, delegates had to ride from every corner of the country to Pingvellir in the Southwest.

Volunteers will be staying close to the glacier Hofsjökull, near the rivers Hvítá and Þjórsá. The mountains in the area that reach up to 1500 m were formed during a volcanic eruption in the later part of the ice age. The area is still dynamic and great geothermal activity takes place in the surroundings. The environment is very diverse, both in shape and colour. The mountains are weathered and have very little continuous growth, as the forces of nature, like glaciers, water flow, ice bursts etc. have been fast working in these mountain highlands.

LANGUAGE: English will be the official language of the camp; high proficiency is not required.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

**EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS:** Participation fee **EUR 350 (Euros)**. Please note that the fee can either be transferred in advance via bank transfer, or paid for on arrival. The fee includes transportation from the meeting point in Reykjavík to the campsite & back (on the first and last day of the camp). **Meeting & Departure time will be at 7:00 am in the morning on 22 August, at SEEDS' office in Reykjavík.** We will return to Reykjavík in the evening of 4 September.

The location of the camp is remote and very isolated. Free time activities are mostly hiking and trekking in the area as there is no transportation available, nor the possibility to organise transport to different sites.

Volunteers need to be prepared for physical, demanding work. Weather is unpredictable and it can be very cold or rainy in the highlands. We recommend bringing good walking shoes/boots, warm/winter and/or waterproof clothes (underlayers, overcoats, scarves, gloves and hats) as most of the tasks and activities take place outside.



#### SEEDS 061. Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting in Reykjavík

30.08 - 07.09 ENVI / STUD 8 - 12 Participants

Age: 18+

**PROJECT:** The Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting project is part of a series of camps organised by SEEDS in cooperation with different partners. SEEDS works with The Blue Army, an organisation dedicated to the cause of coast cleaning; Sea Shepherd Iceland, an organisation dedicated to defend, conserve and protect the oceans; Whales of Iceland, an exhibition of life size models of whales and porpoises aiming at educating about their lives and human impact on their existence, and SORPA, the organisation in charge of waste collection & management in the Reykjavík area.

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- 2. A day trip to the Reykjanes peninsula, combined with a coastal cleanup in the area.

Furthermore, participants may be able to visit the recycling centre SORPA, where a tour of the facilities and a lecture regarding waste management in Reykjavik will be provided. The mentioned activities are dependent on conditions such as weather, pandemic-related restrictions, as well as availability of our partner organisations.

This camp combines learning, sharing, hands-on work and fun. No previous experience is needed. Volunteers should prepare to share environmental issues from their countries and be ready to spend time outdoors, walk medium distances during the cleanups, as during other activities and sightseeing. As part of the project happens outdoors, volunteers should be ready to adapt and be flexible with the work and free-time schedule, as depending on the changeable weather, we may not be able to perform some of the activities planned.

**ACCOMMODATION:** SEEDS participants will stay in a house in Reykjavík. The facilities are basic with a kitchen, showers, and a washing machine. Everyone is expected to show consideration for their companions. Participants will sleep in shared rooms or dormitories. Please bring your own sleeping bag.

Volunteers will receive food supplies and will be in charge of cooking and cleaning. Please note the food SEEDS provides will be **vegetarian**. Do not forget to bring some traditional/typical food, drinks, recipes, music, games or movies from your country for the international evening. Please be aware some items or ingredients may be expensive in Iceland and you will need to buy them yourselves or bring them from your country.

**LOCATION:** Reykjavík is a dynamic, modern city which lives in harmony with nature, using renewable energy sources. The world's northernmost capital bridges the Atlantic, between Europe and North America. Reykjavík is spread across a peninsula with a panoramic view of the mountains and the Atlantic. It is an international city with a lively cosmopolitan cultural scene surrounded by beautiful nature.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; basic conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS: Participation fee EUR 300 (Euros). The fee can either be transferred in advance via bank transfer, or paid in cash on arrival. It includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first day), the visits available; and one trip combined with the trash collection activity (Hot River or Reykjanes). Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) on 30 August at SEEDS Office in Reykjavik. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later or delayed flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp on their own.



#### SEEDS 062. September Photography in Reykjavík

30.08 - 07.09 ARTS / STUD 8 - 12 Participants

Age: 16 - 20

**PROJECT**: This is the fourteenth year (since 2008) that SEEDS organises a series of international photo marathons, while we started organising camps open for teenagers in the year 2010.

Throughout the year, participants from all over the world come to Iceland for an immersive photography-related learning camp. SEEDS coordinators help the participants to develop their unique photographic skills through workshops and feedback sessions on technical settings, compositional considerations as well as developing conceptual frameworks, which progress the participants' individual style.

Participants will have time to put the theory about photography into practice, walking around and exploring the city. At the end of the camp, the best photographs from each participant are selected for an online exhibition on SEEDS' social media. Participants should bring their own digital cameras, lenses, tripods and laptops if possible.

While learning about photography the participants explore Icelandic culture by taking part in it, capturing it and also by displaying their work during the camps. One of our objectives is to deliver environmental as well as cultural messages and draw attention through pictures made in the camp.

Participants should be ready to spend time outdoors walking medium distances during activities and working within a flexible time schedule. Participants will be photographing in their free time outside of workshop hours with images to be discussed at group feedback sessions.

This camp is open to participants aged 16 to 20 years. During their stay, SEEDS organises a programme that combines learning, sharing, getting to know Iceland and its culture, and having fun while exploring the city and some of the most stunning natural attractions in the Golden Circle and South Shore excursions.

Note this project is a learning/sharing camp and not a regular workcamp; it has a smaller work part and puts more emphasis on the personal learning process than on the community impact. We may be able to organise some outdoor voluntary work, but this depends on our partners and the weather.

**ACCOMMODATION**: SEEDS' participants will stay in a house in Reykjavík. The facilities are basic with a kitchen, showers, and a washing machine. Everyone is expected to show consideration for their companions. Participants will sleep in shared rooms. They need to bring their own sleeping bags.

Participants will receive food supplies and be in charge of cooking and cleaning. Please note the food SEEDS provides will be **vegetarian**. Participants should bring food, music, games or films and such from their own culture to share at the intercultural evening.

**LOCATION**: Reykjavík is a dynamic, modern city which lives in harmony with nature, using renewable energy sources. The world's northernmost capital bridges the Atlantic, between Europe and North America. Reykjavík is spread across a peninsula with a panoramic view of the mountains and the Atlantic. It is an international city with a lively cosmopolitan cultural scene surrounded by beautiful nature.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; basic conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

**EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS:** Participation fee **EUR 500** (Euros), which needs to be transferred to SEEDS the latest one month before the camp starts to confirm the placement. The fee includes transport from the meeting point to the camp (on the first day), the Golden Circle and South Shore excursions. We will visit spectacular waterfalls, geysers, a glacier, impressive coastline, a volcano crater, the Thingvellir National Park and more.

Meeting time will be 16:00 (4:00 pm) in the afternoon of 30 August at the BSÍ bus station or at SEEDS' office. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp.

Additional excursions (e.g. the Hot River Hike, the Vesturland Trip, Snæfellsnes or Reykjanes Peninsula) can be arranged at discount fares in case there is additional free time after the workshops and sessions of the camp.



#### SEEDS 064. Forestry in the Far East of Iceland

04.09 - 19.09 ENVI / CONS 6 Volunteers Age: 18+

**WORK/PROJECT:** SEEDS volunteers will again be working on a project in the beautiful Hallormsstaðaskógur forest in the far East of Iceland, doing nature and environment-oriented tasks. SEEDS has been cooperating with the Icelandic Forest Service and our groups of volunteers have been helping out for some years, with very good results for the participants, the projects and the Icelandic nature conservation and reforestation efforts.

The main tasks will be to maintain hiking paths, build stairs, make and put up signs. Volunteers will also put up benches and tables in the forest. Other tasks will be to trim branches and beautify groves that are located near hiking paths. Well maintained paths enable people to visit these amazing areas without damaging the surroundings and this important work also helps to improve safety for visitors.

No previous experience is necessary, but the work is demanding and requires a good physical condition. As it is outdoors work, volunteers shall be ready to adapt and be flexible with the working and free-time schedule, as depending on the weather, we may not be able to perform some of the tasks or activities planned.

Weather is unpredictable and it can be cold and/or rainy, be prepared to experience all kinds of weather. We recommend bringing good walking shoes/boots, warm and/or waterproof clothes (underlayers, overcoats, scarves, gloves and hats), as most of the tasks and activities take place outside.

Last but not least, volunteers can explore the surroundings of the location and enjoy free-time activities arranged in cooperation with our local project host.

**ACCOMMODATION:** SEEDS volunteers will sleep in beds in a house belonging to the Icelandic Forest Service. The house is fully equipped. Please bring your own sleeping bag.

Volunteers will receive food supplies and will be in charge of cooking and cleaning. Do not forget to bring some traditional/typical food, drinks, music and recipes from your country for the intercultural evening.

**LOCATION:** Hallormsstaðaskógur is the largest wooded area of the country. It extends over an area of 740 ha. The reforestation of the area has been going on since a protection law was passed in 1899. The oldest part of the woodland is accessible by good hiking trails. The area offers a great variety of trails, such as one through the deepest valley of the country and one up to Sandfell where the view is quite magnificent.

Small streams run through the land where visitors can cool down on warm summer days. The Eastfjords is a region with a special landscape, dominated by long, narrow fjords and steep mountains. The wild reindeer of Iceland are found here; the herd counts between three and four thousand animals.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; basic conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL & TRANSPORT: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF).

SEEDS offers the minibus option: shared transport from Reykjavík to the camp and back. Apart from being cheaper and convenient, it allows participants to meet and have a relaxed trip, while stopping on the way for interesting sites.

The SEEDS minibus will travel one way along the northern part of the country and the other along the south coast of Iceland. In this way we will **travel the whole ring road** and stop at magnificent natural sights, including waterfalls, glaciers, volcano craters, hot springs, iceberg lagoons, black sand beaches, etc. **Meeting point at SEEDS' office in Reykjavík at 7:00 am on 4 September**. Return to Reykjavík in the **late evening of 19 September**.

The minibus to this camp will cost EUR 75 (Euros) each way. This is about 30-40% cheaper than public transport.

**EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS**: Participation fee **EUR 300** (Euros). The fee can either be transferred in advance via bank transfer, or paid in cash on arrival. The participation fee does not include the transportation from Reykjavík to the camp and back, which will cost **EUR 75** (Euros) one way or **EUR 150** (Euros) both ways.

This work camp takes place in a very remote place, located in a natural area of extreme beauty. Outdoor free-time activities, for instance hikes or walks in the surroundings, will be arranged for SEEDS volunteers.

Volunteers have to bring good working shoes and clothes and, as autumn is coming, bring warm winter clothes, walking boots, gloves and a good sleeping bag. The project takes place outside and it can get very cold. Please bring warm under layers, waterproofs. Free-time activities in the area will be organised depending on weather.



#### SEEDS 065. Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting in Reykjavík

07.09 - 15.09 ENVI / STUD 8 - 12 Participants

Age: 18+

**PROJECT:** The Environmentally Aware & Trash Hunting project is part of a series of camps organised by SEEDS in cooperation with different partners. SEEDS works with The Blue Army, an organisation dedicated to the cause of coast cleaning; Sea Shepherd Iceland, an organisation dedicated to defend, conserve and protect the oceans; Whales of Iceland, an exhibition of life size models of whales and porpoises aiming at educating about their lives and human impact on their existence, and SORPA, the organisation in charge of waste collection & management in the Reykjavík area.

This camp allows participants to learn about global and local environmental issues, through non-formal activities such as workshops, discussions, presentations and visits, as well as to contribute directly to environment protection by joining outdoor cleanup tasks.

These cleanup tasks may be arranged in partnership with the abovementioned organisations or organised solely by SEEDS. We aim to also involve the local community, so some of our events may be open to the public. We hope participants will also learn how to plan and do their own trash hunting projects back home. This project is based on similar activities around the world, where outstanding results have been achieved with volunteers. One of the two options below is also included in this camp as a hands-on volunteering activity day:

- 1. A day trip combining a guided tour to the Hellisheiði power station, a trash hunt in the Blue Mountains area; and the Hot River Hike, a hike up a valley filled with hot springs where one can bathe.
- 2. A day trip to the Reykjanes peninsula, combined with a coastal cleanup in the area.

Furthermore, participants may be able to visit the recycling centre SORPA, where a tour of the facilities and a lecture regarding waste management in Reykjavik will be provided. The mentioned activities are dependent on conditions such as weather, pandemic-related restrictions, as well as availability of our partner organisations.

This camp combines learning, sharing, hands-on work and fun. No previous experience is needed. Volunteers should prepare to share environmental issues from their countries and be ready to spend time outdoors, walk medium distances during the cleanups, as during other activities and sightseeing. As part of the project happens outdoors, volunteers should be ready to adapt and be flexible with the work and free-time schedule, as depending on the changeable weather, we may not be able to perform some of the activities planned.

**ACCOMMODATION:** SEEDS participants will stay in a house in Reykjavík. The facilities are basic with a kitchen, showers, and a washing machine. Everyone is expected to show consideration for their companions. Participants will sleep in shared rooms or dormitories. Please bring your own sleeping bag.

Volunteers will receive food supplies and will be in charge of cooking and cleaning. Please note the food SEEDS provides will be **vegetarian**. Do not forget to bring some traditional/typical food, drinks, recipes, music, games or movies from your country for the international evening. Please be aware some items or ingredients may be expensive in Iceland and you will need to buy them yourselves or bring them from your country.

**LOCATION:** Reykjavík is a dynamic, modern city which lives in harmony with nature, using renewable energy sources. The world's northernmost capital bridges the Atlantic, between Europe and North America. Reykjavík is spread across a peninsula with a panoramic view of the mountains and the Atlantic. It is an international city with a lively cosmopolitan cultural scene surrounded by beautiful nature.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; basic conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS: Participation fee EUR 300 (Euros). The fee can either be transferred in advance via bank transfer, or paid in cash on arrival. It includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first day), the visits available; and one trip combined with the trash collection activity (Hot River or Reykjanes). Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) on 7 September at SEEDS Office in Reykjavik. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later or delayed flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp on their own.



#### SEEDS 066. Island of Viðey (2/2)

07.09 - 16.09 ENVI / CONS / RENO 8 Volunteers Age: 18+

**WORK/PROJECT:** SEEDS volunteers will have the opportunity to work on the historical island of Viðey for the 15th year in a row with our host, the city of Reykjavík.

Viðey is a popular destination during the summer among Icelandic and foreign visitors. Volunteers will help prepare the island for the autumn/winter season. Volunteers will beautify the surroundings by cleaning up the area, especially along the coastline, for instance by hand-picking garbage or collecting trash blown by the wind or brought by the sea to the shores and surroundings.

SEEDS volunteers may carry out some gardening activities as well and possibly make and maintain walking paths. Well maintained paths enable people to visit the area without damaging it and this important work also helps to improve safety for visitors. Depending on the advance of the project and weather conditions, volunteers may have other possible tasks such as checking up and repairing garden furniture.

The working day normally runs from 09:00 - 17:00 with breaks for lunch and coffee; however, please be prepared for some flexibility due to the nature of Iceland's changeable weather.

The weather conditions in Iceland are unpredictable and the temperature in September can drop during the evenings. Be prepared to experience all kinds of weather and be sure of bringing warm clothing, since most of the work will take place outdoors. Volunteers should have motivation to work outside and work in all kinds of weather, as it can get cold and rainy. Bring warm and/or waterproof clothes (overcoats, scarves, gloves and hats) walking shoes/boots, as the activities take place outside.

As it is outdoors work, volunteers shall be ready to adapt and be flexible with the working and free-time schedule, as depending on the weather, we may not be able to perform some of the tasks or activities planned.

**ACCOMMODATION:** Volunteers will be lodged in a local house on Viðey Island, in shared rooms. Please bring your own sleeping bag. The house has an equipped kitchen. Volunteers will receive food ingredients and be in charge of cooking and cleaning. Do not forget to bring some traditional/typical food from your home country for the international evening.

**LOCATION:** Viðey or "Wood Island" is the largest (1.7 km²) island in the Kollafjörður Bay, just outside Reykjavík, the capital of Iceland. The island is covered by many species of plants and at least 30 species of breeding birds have been counted here. Viðey was inhabited from soon after the settlement of Iceland already in the 10th century and at the beginning of the 20th century around 100 people lived there. Today the island is uninhabited.

There is a regular ferry connection between the island and the harbour of Reykjavík. The island is only a few hundred metres away from the city and the trip takes a few minutes. This makes Viðey so special; it is a peaceful place, very close to the busy city life of the capital. There are hiking and cycling paths around the island and there is no motor traffic allowed. It also features intriguing sculptural artwork, amongst them all nine pairs of basalt pillars that comprise Richard Serra's work "Áfangar" and Yoko Ono's "Imagine Peace" column, a tower of light, which is supported by the widow of John Lennon. Other places of interest on Viðey are related to archaeological research.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; basic conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

Meeting time will be at 14:00 (2:00 pm) on 7 September at SEEDS' Office.

**EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS:** Participation fee **EUR 300 (Euros)**. The fee can either be transferred in advance via **bank transfer**, or paid **in cash** on arrival. It includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first day), the Golden Circle excursion and a whale watching trip worth around EUR 200 with tour operators. We will have free rides with the ferry to the city during free time; this is subject to its schedule.

Other excursions (South Shore, Hot River Hike, Snæfellsnes or Reykjanes Peninsula) can be arranged at discount fares for SEEDS participants in case there is additional free time after work or during the weekends.

SEEDS is not a travel agency; we do not have guides and our trips are organised for volunteers to have the chance to travel together and to support SEEDS fundraising. Subject to availability and number of participants.



#### SEEDS 067. Environment & Photography - September

21.09 - 30.09 ENVI / ARTS / STUD 8 - 12 Participants

Age: 18+

**PROJECT:** During this camp, participants can share their love for (and learn more about) global 8 local environmental issues, as well as photography. If you are interested in topics such as climate change, waste management, animal protection and sustainability, and you also love taking photographs or want to develop your photography skills, then this project is for you!

While developing artistic and technical photography skills, you will be focusing on environmental and sustainability issues through non-formal activities such as workshops, discussions, presentations and visits facilitated by SEEDS. One of our aims is to help create more environmentally aware consumers & travellers!

You will visit local projects on environment and conservation. These may include hands-on activities or guided visits. Some examples include outdoor cleanup tasks, a community dinner or a visit to a recycling centre, a geothermal power plant, a museum or exhibition. Some of these activities are dependent on conditions such as weather, pandemic-related restrictions, as well as availability of our partner organisations.

You will also have time to put the theory about photography into practice, walking around and exploring the city. At the end of the camp, the best photographs from each participant are selected for an online exhibition on SEEDS' social media. Participants should bring their own digital cameras, lenses, tripods and laptops if possible.

SEEDS' programme combines learning, sharing, hands-on activities, getting to know Iceland, its culture, having fun, exploring the city and stunning natural attractions in the Golden Circle or other excursions. Participants should prepare to share environmental issues from their countries and should be ready to spend time outdoors walking medium distances during activities and sightseeing.

Note this project is a learning/sharing camp and not a standard workcamp. This project has a smaller work part and puts a bigger emphasis on the personal learning process than on the community impact.

In this project SEEDS will organise a night photography and aurora hunting (Northern Lights) workshop in the countryside near Reykjavík. This will take place during late evening and possibly into the night. Northern lights are a natural phenomenon depending on solar activity and meteorological conditions; we cannot guarantee you will see northern lights, but the night photography workshop will be organised anyway.

**ACCOMMODATION**: SEEDS participants will stay in a house in Reykjavík. The facilities are basic with a kitchen, showers, and a washing machine. Everyone is expected to show consideration for their companions. Participants will sleep in shared rooms or dormitories. Please bring your own sleeping bag.

Volunteers will receive food supplies and will be in charge of cooking and cleaning. Please note the food SEEDS provides will be **vegetarian**. Do not forget to bring some traditional/typical food, drinks, recipes, music, games or movies from your country for the international evening. Please be aware some items or ingredients may be expensive in Iceland and you will need to buy them yourselves or bring them from your country.

**LOCATION**: Reykjavík is a dynamic, modern city which lives in harmony with nature, using renewable energy sources. The world's northernmost capital bridges the Atlantic, between Europe and North America. Reykjavík is spread across a peninsula with a panoramic view of the mountains and the Atlantic. It is an international city with a lively cosmopolitan cultural scene surrounded by beautiful nature.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; intermediate conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

**EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS**: Participation fee **EUR 300 (Euros)**. The fee can either be transferred in advance via **bank transfer**, or paid **in cash** on arrival. It includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first day), the visits available, the Golden Circle excursion and the night photography & aurora hunting workshop.

Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) on 21 September at SEEDS' office in Reykjavík. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later or delayed flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp on their own.



#### SEEDS 069. Environment & Photography - October

05.10 - 14.10 ENVI / ARTS / STUD 8 - 12 Participants

Age: 18+

**PROJECT:** During this camp, participants can share their love for (and learn more about) global 8 local environmental issues, as well as photography. If you are interested in topics such as climate change, waste management, animal protection and sustainability, and you also love taking photographs or want to develop your photography skills, then this project is for you!

While developing artistic and technical photography skills, you will be focusing on environmental and sustainability issues through non-formal activities such as workshops, discussions, presentations and visits facilitated by SEEDS. One of our aims is to help create more environmentally aware consumers & travellers!

You will visit local projects on environment and conservation. These may include hands-on activities or guided visits. Some examples include outdoor cleanup tasks, a community dinner or a visit to a recycling centre, a geothermal power plant, a museum or exhibition. Some of these activities are dependent on conditions such as weather, pandemic-related restrictions, as well as availability of our partner organisations.

You will also have time to put the theory about photography into practice, walking around and exploring the city. At the end of the camp, the best photographs from each participant are selected for an online exhibition on SEEDS' social media. Participants should bring their own digital cameras, lenses, tripods and laptops if possible.

SEEDS' programme combines learning, sharing, hands-on activities, getting to know Iceland, its culture, having fun, exploring the city and stunning natural attractions in the Golden Circle or other excursions. Participants should prepare to share environmental issues from their countries and should be ready to spend time outdoors walking medium distances during activities and sightseeing.

Note this project is a learning/sharing camp and not a standard workcamp. This project has a smaller work part and puts a bigger emphasis on the personal learning process than on the community impact.

In this project SEEDS will organise a night photography and aurora hunting (Northern Lights) workshop in the countryside near Reykjavík. This will take place during late evening and possibly into the night. **Northern lights are a natural phenomenon depending on solar activity and meteorological conditions; we cannot guarantee you will see northern lights, but the night photography workshop will be organised anyway.** 

**ACCOMMODATION**: SEEDS participants will stay in a house in Reykjavík. The facilities are basic with a kitchen, showers, and a washing machine. Everyone is expected to show consideration for their companions. Participants will sleep in shared rooms or dormitories. Please bring your own sleeping bag.

Volunteers will receive food supplies and will be in charge of cooking and cleaning. Please note the food SEEDS provides will be **vegetarian**. Do not forget to bring some traditional/typical food, drinks, recipes, music, games or movies from your country for the international evening. Please be aware some items or ingredients may be expensive in Iceland and you will need to buy them yourselves or bring them from your country.

**LOCATION**: Reykjavík is a dynamic, modern city which lives in harmony with nature, using renewable energy sources. The world's northernmost capital bridges the Atlantic, between Europe and North America. Reykjavík is spread across a peninsula with a panoramic view of the mountains and the Atlantic. It is an international city with a lively cosmopolitan cultural scene surrounded by beautiful nature.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; intermediate conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

**EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS**: Participation fee **EUR 300 (Euros)**. The fee can either be transferred in advance via **bank transfer**, or paid **in cash** on arrival. It includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first day), the visits available, the Golden Circle excursion and the night photography & aurora hunting workshop.

Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) on 5 October at SEEDS' office in Reykjavík. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later or delayed flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp on their own.



#### SEEDS 071. Environment & Photography - Autumn

19.10 - 28.10 ENVI / ARTS / STUD 8 - 12 Participants

Age: 18+

**PROJECT:** During this camp, participants can share their love for (and learn more about) global 8 local environmental issues, as well as photography. If you are interested in topics such as climate change, waste management, animal protection and sustainability, and you also love taking photographs or want to develop your photography skills, then this project is for you!

While developing artistic and technical photography skills, you will be focusing on environmental and sustainability issues through non-formal activities such as workshops, discussions, presentations and visits facilitated by SEEDS. One of our aims is to help create more environmentally aware consumers & travellers!

You will visit local projects on environment and conservation. These may include hands-on activities or guided visits. Some examples include outdoor cleanup tasks, a community dinner or a visit to a recycling centre, a geothermal power plant, a museum or exhibition. Some of these activities are dependent on conditions such as weather, pandemic-related restrictions, as well as availability of our partner organisations.

You will also have time to put the theory about photography into practice, walking around and exploring the city. At the end of the camp, the best photographs from each participant are selected for an online exhibition on SEEDS' social media. Participants should bring their own digital cameras, lenses, tripods and laptops if possible.

SEEDS' programme combines learning, sharing, hands-on activities, getting to know Iceland, its culture, having fun, exploring the city and stunning natural attractions in the Golden Circle or other excursions. Participants should prepare to share environmental issues from their countries and should be ready to spend time outdoors walking medium distances during activities and sightseeing.

Note this project is a learning/sharing camp and not a standard workcamp. This project has a smaller work part and puts a bigger emphasis on the personal learning process than on the community impact.

In this project SEEDS will organise a night photography and aurora hunting (Northern Lights) workshop in the countryside near Reykjavík. This will take place during late evening and possibly into the night. **Northern lights are a natural phenomenon depending on solar activity and meteorological conditions; we cannot guarantee you will see northern lights, but the night photography workshop will be organised anyway.** 

**ACCOMMODATION**: SEEDS participants will stay in a house in Reykjavík. The facilities are basic with a kitchen, showers, and a washing machine. Everyone is expected to show consideration for their companions. Participants will sleep in shared rooms or dormitories. Please bring your own sleeping bag.

Volunteers will receive food supplies and will be in charge of cooking and cleaning. Please note the food SEEDS provides will be **vegetarian**. Do not forget to bring some traditional/typical food, drinks, recipes, music, games or movies from your country for the international evening. Please be aware some items or ingredients may be expensive in Iceland and you will need to buy them yourselves or bring them from your country.

**LOCATION**: Reykjavík is a dynamic, modern city which lives in harmony with nature, using renewable energy sources. The world's northernmost capital bridges the Atlantic, between Europe and North America. Reykjavík is spread across a peninsula with a panoramic view of the mountains and the Atlantic. It is an international city with a lively cosmopolitan cultural scene surrounded by beautiful nature.

LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; intermediate conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

**EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS**: Participation fee **EUR 300 (Euros)**. The fee can either be transferred in advance via **bank transfer**, or paid **in cash** on arrival. It includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first day), the visits available, the Golden Circle excursion and the night photography & aurora hunting workshop.

Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) on 19 October at SEEDS' office in Reykjavík. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later or delayed flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp on their own.



# SEEDS 073. Environment & Photography - Winter

02.11 - 11.11 ENVI / ARTS / STUD 8 - 12 Participants

Age: 18+

**PROJECT:** During this camp, participants can share their love for (and learn more about) global & local environmental issues, as well as photography. If you are interested in topics such as climate change, waste management, animal protection and sustainability, and you also love taking photographs or want to develop your photography skills, then this project is for you!

While developing artistic and technical photography skills, you will be focusing on environmental and sustainability issues through non-formal activities such as workshops, discussions, presentations and visits facilitated by SEEDS. One of our aims is to help create more environmentally aware consumers & travellers!

You will visit local projects on environment and conservation. These may include hands-on activities or guided visits. Some examples include outdoor cleanup tasks, a community dinner or a visit to a recycling centre, a geothermal power plant, a museum or exhibition. Some of these activities are dependent on conditions such as weather, pandemic-related restrictions, as well as availability of our partner organisations.

You will also have time to put the theory about photography into practice, walking around and exploring the city. At the end of the camp, the best photographs from each participant are selected for an online exhibition on SEEDS' social media. Participants should bring their own digital cameras, lenses, tripods and laptops if possible.

SEEDS' programme combines learning, sharing, hands-on activities, getting to know Iceland, its culture, having fun, exploring the city and stunning natural attractions in the Golden Circle or other excursions. Participants should prepare to share environmental issues from their countries and should be ready to spend time outdoors walking medium distances during activities and sightseeing.

Note this project is a learning/sharing camp and not a standard workcamp. This project has a smaller work part and puts a bigger emphasis on the personal learning process than on the community impact.

In this project SEEDS will organise a night photography and aurora hunting (Northern Lights) workshop in the countryside near Reykjavík. This will take place during late evening and possibly into the night. Northern lights are a natural phenomenon depending on solar activity and meteorological conditions; we cannot guarantee you will see northern lights, but the night photography workshop will be organised anyway.

**ACCOMMODATION**: SEEDS participants will stay in a house in Reykjavík. The facilities are basic with a kitchen, showers, and a washing machine. Everyone is expected to show consideration for their companions. Participants will sleep in shared rooms or dormitories. Please bring your own sleeping bag.

Volunteers will receive food supplies and will be in charge of cooking and cleaning. Please note the food SEEDS provides will be **vegetarian**. Do not forget to bring some traditional/typical food, drinks, recipes, music, games or movies from your country for the international evening. Please be aware some items or ingredients may be expensive in Iceland and you will need to buy them yourselves or bring them from your country.

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LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; intermediate conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

**EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS**: Participation fee **EUR 300 (Euros)**. The fee can either be transferred in advance via **bank transfer**, or paid **in cash** on arrival. It includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first day), the visits available, the Golden Circle excursion and the night photography & aurora hunting workshop.

Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) on November 2 at SEEDS' office in Reykjavík. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later or delayed flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp on their own.



# SEEDS 075. Environment & Photography - November

16.11 - 25.11 ENVI / ARTS / STUD 8 - 12 Participants

Age: 18+

**PROJECT:** During this camp, participants can share their love for (and learn more about) global 8 local environmental issues, as well as photography. If you are interested in topics such as climate change, waste management, animal protection and sustainability, and you also love taking photographs or want to develop your photography skills, then this project is for you!

While developing artistic and technical photography skills, you will be focusing on environmental and sustainability issues through non-formal activities such as workshops, discussions, presentations and visits facilitated by SEEDS. One of our aims is to help create more environmentally aware consumers & travellers!

You will visit local projects on environment and conservation. These may include hands-on activities or guided visits. Some examples include outdoor cleanup tasks, a community dinner or a visit to a recycling centre, a geothermal power plant, a museum or exhibition. Some of these activities are dependent on conditions such as weather, pandemic-related restrictions, as well as availability of our partner organisations.

You will also have time to put the theory about photography into practice, walking around and exploring the city. At the end of the camp, the best photographs from each participant are selected for an online exhibition on SEEDS' social media. Participants should bring their own digital cameras, lenses, tripods and laptops if possible.

SEEDS' programme combines learning, sharing, hands-on activities, getting to know Iceland, its culture, having fun, exploring the city and stunning natural attractions in the Golden Circle or other excursions. Participants should prepare to share environmental issues from their countries and should be ready to spend time outdoors walking medium distances during activities and sightseeing.

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Volunteers will receive food supplies and will be in charge of cooking and cleaning. Please note the food SEEDS provides will be **vegetarian**. Do not forget to bring some traditional/typical food, drinks, recipes, music, games or movies from your country for the international evening. Please be aware some items or ingredients may be expensive in Iceland and you will need to buy them yourselves or bring them from your country.

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LANGUAGE: English will be the language in the camp; intermediate conversational skills are needed.

TERMINAL: Closest international Airport: Keflavík/Reykjavík (KEF). Bus station: Central Reykjavík (BSÍ).

**EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS**: Participation fee **EUR 300 (Euros)**. The fee can either be transferred in advance via **bank transfer**, or paid **in cash** on arrival. It includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first day), the visits available, the Golden Circle excursion and the night photography & aurora hunting workshop.

Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) on 16 November at SEEDS' office in Reykjavík. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later or delayed flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp on their own.

Other excursions (e.g. to the South Shore, Vesturland, Geldingadal volcano, Reykjanes and/or Snæfellsnes Peninsula) can be arranged at discount fares if there is free time after the camp workshops/sessions. It may be very cold and/or rainy, so we recommend bringing warm and waterproof clothes (underlayers, overcoats,



scarves, gloves and hats), good walking shoes, as some of the activities take place outdoors.

## SEEDS 077. Environment & Photography - December

30.11 - 09.12

ENVI / ARTS / STUD 8 - 12 Participants

Age: 18+

**PROJECT:** During this camp, participants can share their love for (and learn more about) global & local environmental issues, as well as photography. If you are interested in topics such as climate change, waste management, animal protection and sustainability, and you also love taking photographs or want to develop your photography skills, then this project is for you! While developing artistic and technical photography skills, you will be focusing on environmental and sustainability issues through non-formal activities such as workshops, discussions, presentations and visits facilitated by SEEDS. One of our aims is to help create more environmentally aware consumers & travellers!

You will visit local projects on environment and conservation. These may include hands-on activities or guided visits. Some examples include outdoor cleanup tasks, a community dinner or a visit to a recycling centre, a geothermal power plant, a museum or exhibition. Some of these activities are dependent on conditions such as weather, pandemic-related restrictions, as well as availability of our partner organisations.

You will also have time to put the theory about photography into practice, walking around and exploring the city. At the end of the camp, the best photographs from each participant are selected for an online exhibition on SEEDS' social media. Participants should bring their own digital cameras, lenses, tripods and laptops if possible.

SEEDS' programme combines learning, sharing, hands-on activities, getting to know Iceland, its culture, having fun, exploring the city and stunning natural attractions in the Golden Circle or other excursions. Participants should prepare to share environmental issues from their countries and should be ready to spend time outdoors walking medium distances during activities and sightseeing.

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**EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS**: Participation fee **EUR 300 (Euros)**. The fee can either be transferred in advance via **bank transfer**, or paid **in cash** on arrival. It includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first day), the visits available, the Golden Circle excursion and the night photography & aurora hunting workshop.

Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) on November 30 at SEEDS' office in Reykjavík. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later or delayed flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp on their own.

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#### SEEDS 079. Environment & Photography - Advent

14.12 - 23.12 ENVI / ARTS / STUD 8 - 12 Participants Age: 18+

**PROJECT:** During this camp, participants can share their love for (and learn more about) global & local environmental issues as well as photography. If you are interested in topics such as climate change, waste management, animal protection and sustainability, and you also love taking photographs or want to develop your photography skills, then this project is for you!

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Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) on December 14 at SEEDS' office in Reykjavík. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later or delayed flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp on their own.

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## SEEDS 081. Environment & Photography - New years

28.12 - 06.01 ENVI / ARTS / STUD 8 - 12 Participants

Age: 18+

**PROJECT:** During this camp, participants can share their love for (and learn more about) global 8 local environmental issues, as well as photography. If you are interested in topics such as climate change, waste management, animal protection and sustainability, and you also love taking photographs or want to develop your photography skills, then this project is for you!

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**EXTRAS / SPECIAL REMARKS**: Participation fee **EUR 300 (Euros)**. The fee can either be transferred in advance via **bank transfer**, or paid **in cash** on arrival. It includes transportation from the meeting point to the camp (on the first day), the visits available, the Golden Circle excursion and the night photography & aurora hunting workshop.

Meeting time will be 18:00 (6:00 pm) on December 28 at SEEDS' office in Reykjavík. Participants that cannot arrive on time (later or delayed flights) will be sent information on how to reach the camp on their own.

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Deadline for application: 25.02

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Deadline for application: 25.03

SEEDS 108. Virtual Camp Environmentally Aware - Learn from Home

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Deadline for application: 08.04

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27.04 - 06.05

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21.09 - 30.09

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Deadline for application: 15.10

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Deadline for application: 26.10

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16.11 - 25.11

Deadline for application: 09.11

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30.11 - 14.12

Deadline for application: 16.09

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14.12 - 23.12

Deadline for application: 10.12



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28.12 - 06.01

Deadline for application: 21.12

