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Who initiated the Jüdische Kunstschule (Jewish School of Art)?

The **Jewish School of Art** is a project by the Institut für Neue Soziale Plastik. It is funded by the federal program "Demokratie leben!" by the Bundesministerium für Familie, Senioren, Frauen und Jugend and co-financed by the Berlin Senate Department for Culture and Social Cohesion.

Why do we need a Jewish Art School?

After October 7, 2023, it became evident that there is a problem with antisemitism in parts of the art sector. The Jewish Art School is an artistic response to this. The **Jewish School of Art** aims to promote artistic exchange and develop new perspectives on the art and cultural sector.

How much does it cost?

The program is free of charge for all participants. There is a 50€ participation fee that will be reimbursed when you attend the masterclass/workshop.

Do I need to be Jewish to apply to the Jewish School of Art.?

No, you do not need to be Jewish or an expert on antisemitism to apply.

Is there an age limit?

If you are up to 39 years old, you are considered a young adult.

I'm no longer a student. Can I still participate?

Yes, absolutely. Alumni and professionals with relevant artistic experience are also welcome.

Do I have to work on a specific topic?

No, you can choose your own topics. You do not have to work on antisemitism.

Can I participate in just one event?

Yes, you can register for only one workshop/masterclass. However, you should attend all the specified days.

Can I present my work to the public at the end of the semester?

Yes, from September 4 - 7, 2025, a selection of the works created will be presented to the Berlin public. All participating students can show their own work, but not all the works created can be shown.

I won't be in Berlin from 4. – 7. September 2025 for the final event. Can I still apply?

That's very unfortunate. However, you can still attend one of the workshops that do not include a performance or similar activity at the end, where your presence would be required.

Can I apply without a project idea?

Simple answer: Yes. The project idea can also develop from within the workshop.

Where do the individual events take place?

The workshops take place at different locations in Berlin, depending on the genres. After successful registration, you will receive the exact location for your classes.

Do I have to live in Berlin to participate in the Jewish School of Art?

No, interested people from outside of Berlin are also welcome.

Can I earn credit points for my regular studies?

No, we are not yet recognized for that.

How big are the courses/classes?

Depending on the classes, 5-15 participants are admitted.

Do artists from the first semester also take part again?

Yes, some classes will be made up of students from the 1st and 2nd semester. Other classes will be held for the first time in the 2nd semester.

Can I still join if I did not participate in the first semester?

Of course!

Who selects the participating students?

The participating students are selected by the INSP board.

What do I have to submit?

All information about the **Jewish School of Art** and the application documents can be found on the website under Open Call: <https://www.neue-soziale-plastik.de/juedische-kunstschule>

I have other questions. Who can I contact?

Your questions can be forwarded to: curator@neue-soziale-plastik.org

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