

REGIONS. ART. NATURE

Project description: The Regions. Art. Nature. project continues ongoing co-operation of partners in Latvia, Iceland and Northern Norway started in the project *Wilderness dance* since 2012. This project looks on the role contemporary arts can play in the development of rural areas and aims to generate new models for artistic residency structures in regions which are in need of re-vitalization.

There are three main project activities done in partnership – seminar in Hammerfest (NO), presentation of guest performance from Norway and creation and presentation of two new works by Norwegian, Icelandic and Latvian artists in residencies in rural regions of Latvia. We focus on Latvian regions with the aim that findings can be used for areas in the vast Nordic-Baltic region. The project contributes to development of 1) new ideas for regional development 2) contemporary artistic practices outside capital regions, 3) creating cultural exchange concepts that are locally anchored and globally innovative; 4) mobility of artistic productions.

Project activities:

1. Project administration;
2. Seminar in Hammerfest;
3. Guest performance;
5. Creation and presentation of new dance works in rural regions;
6. Publicity.