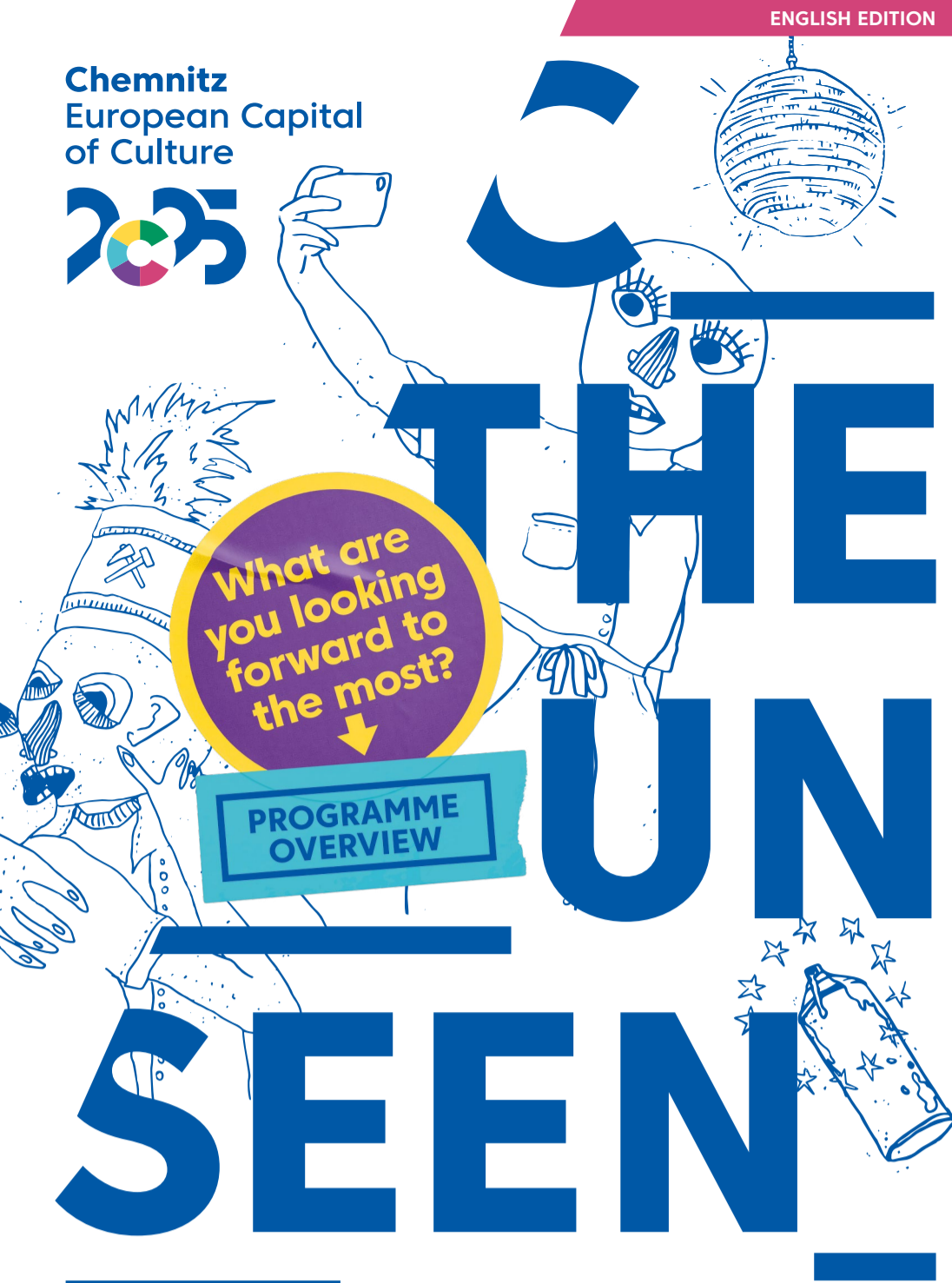


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European Capital  
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What are you looking forward to the most?

PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

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# 2024

2024-09-14—2025-10

## BIRD'S-EYE VIEW

A hands-on textile workshop celebrating the diversity of Chemnitz and the region

Workshop series / exhibition

2024-09-30—2025-12-31

## RED TOWER

Experience history: Chemnitz landmark Red Tower is open

Event series

2024-10-25—2025-06-29

## TREASURES & TRAGEDIES

Mining in the Ore Mountains

Exhibition

2024-10-25—2025-11-29

## SPARE PARTS STORAGE

A collective installation with items on loan from the garages of Chemnitz

Exhibition

2024-10—2025-02-14

## ANGEL + MINER

A new interpretation by Christina Doll

Exhibition

# 2025

2025-01-01—2025-12-31

## RICHARD LONG

Petrified Wood Circle

Exhibition

2025-01-17—2025-04-26

## MEMBERS' ASSEMBLY

A long-term photography project about garage users in Chemnitz

Exhibition

2025-01-18

## OPENING OF THE EUROPEAN CAPITAL OF CULTURE YEAR

European Makers of Democracy

Festival

2025-01-18—2025-11-22

## C UNFOLDS

Singing karaoke together through Chemnitz

Event series

2025-01-31—2025-05-18

## JOHN CAGE

»museumcircle« in the Rasmussen Hall of the Industriemuseum Chemnitz

Exhibition

2025-01

## FEMALE FOCUS ACROSS BORDERS

A German-Portuguese project on the diversity of arts and crafts

Event series

2025-01—2025-10

## FOCUS 2025

Young and old take the screen

Film / performance

2025-01—2025-11

## DANCING NEIGHBOURS

Dance of the generations through Chemnitz

Workshop series / performances

2025-01—2025-11

## DEMOCRACY-SUPPORT-POINT

An initiative that stands up to extremism

Intervention

2025-01—2025-11

## EUROPEAN »SPEECHES ON THE MOUNT«

Encounters

Event series

2025-01—2025-12

## MOVING SOUNDS

A series of events celebrating the diversity of the concertina, the bandoneon and the Argentine tango

Event series

2025-01—2025-12

## COMMUNITY MUSIC IN CHEMNITZ

Come and get involved: music for all

Event series

2025-01—2025-12

## CLAXE

Chemnitz-Lichtenstein reading axis

Event series

2025-01—2025-12

## INTO THE DAWN

Art in public space

Intervention

# FEB

2025-02-04—2025-11-12

## FUNKEN ACADEMY

A lab for everybody by artists and scientists

Event series

2025-02-14

## PIANOSALON

Classical music from one Capital of Culture to another

Performance

2025-02—2025-10

## FOUNDING GARAGE

A long-term project to help people make the world a better place for all of us

Event series

2025-02—2025-11

## UNITED CLUB CONVENTION

A festival and conference on club culture

Event series

2025-02—2025-11

## THREADS OF UNITY

Collection of Generations

Exhibition

2025-02—2025-11

## ROOM 4 CULTURE

Hip-hop culture in context

Event series

# MAR

2025-03-01—2025-03-21

## LESELUST GOES EUROPE

Literature from Germany, the Czech Republic, Poland and Ukraine

Event series

2025-03-05—2025-04-20

## INTERVENTIONS IN LENT

Altar veilings in churches in Chemnitz and the Capital of Culture region

Exhibition series

2025-03-08

## MUSEUM TO GO

Passements in the interplay of fashion of beautiful women, pearls, tears and musicians – Adventure day in the Marienberg mining store house

Exhibition

2025-03-28—2025-04-30

## CREATE: ADDED VALUE

Upcycling week in Löbnitz

Workshop series, festival

2025-03-29

## CHEMNITZ COMPOSERS IN CONCERT

Joint concert by a sighted chamber orchestra and a visually impaired choir

Performance

2025-03-29—2026-03-31

## REBECCA HORN: THE UNIVERSE IN A PEARL

Great art in a small church!

Art installation

2025-03-30+2025-04-13

## ANNABERG IMPULSE I AND II

Wood and stone: artistic creation in the Ore Mountains and central Saxony

Exhibition

2025-03-30—2025-04-06

## PLANTING FESTIVAL: AWAKENING

Spring 2025

Festival

2025-03

## CHEMNITZ

City map for home-made urban culture

Event series

2025-03

## SOUNDTRACK EUROPE 20—25

New electronic music from Europe

Performance series

2025-03—2025-10

## C THE QUEER

A festival celebrating gender diversity and all its expressions

Festival

2025-03—2025-10

## RECORD PICNICS

Vinyl and friendship

Event series

2025-03—2025-11

## TRUTH MARKS

An intergenerational storytelling project in Manchester and Chemnitz

Workshop series

2025-03—2025-11

## OPEN-AIR RAILWAY MUSEUM

Europe's largest railway museum

Exhibition

2025-03—2025-12

## INTER-GENERATIONAL STORIES: OVERCOMING BOUNDARIES, SHAPING IDENTITIES

A participatory exhibition about (East) German and (Eastern) European realities

Exhibition

# APR

2025-04-02—2025-09-04

## WERKSCHAU – MADE IN SAXONY

Discover, wonder and be inspired.

Exhibition

2025-04-04

## 40 YEARS OF EUROPEAN CAPITALS OF CULTURE

Conference in celebration of the anniversary

Conference

2025-04-04—2025-04-06

## EUROPEAN ARTS & CRAFTS DAYS

European makers united

Event series

2025-04-05—2025-12-31

## GARAGE TRAIL

A discovery tour through the garages of Chemnitz

Exhibition

2025-04-10—2025-06-08

## CD EXCHANGE

Chemnitz-Düsseldorf youth orchestra exchange

Performance

2025-04-10—2025-08-10

## SUN SEEKERS!

An exhibition on art and mining at Wismut

Exhibition

2025-04-11—2025-04-13

## ECOCURLING CUP 2025

A series of curling tournaments in Trutnov, Świdnica and Chemnitz

Event series

2025-04-11—2025-08-03

## ENTANGLEMENTS

10 takes from the ifa Art Collection

Exhibition

2025-04-12

## INSIDE OUTSIDE EUROPE

One stage design, four theatres, four contemporary productions

Performance series

2025-04-12—2025-08-31

## CORINA GERTZ: THE AVERTED PORTRAIT

The Ore Mountains meet the world in a photo exhibit

Exhibition

2025-04-13—2025-08-18

## TILL BRÖNNER: MELTING POTT

Photographs of people, machines and how they interact above and below ground

Exhibition

2025-04-19—2025-08-23

## DIALOGUE FIELDS

Disruptive interventions in a neighbourhood full of contradictions

Intervention

2025-04-25—2025-11-16

## TALES OF TRANSFORMATION

An exhibition exploring the rise, fall and reinvention of European industrial centres

Exhibition

2025-04-26

## SINGING ACROSS BORDERS

Two choirs sing songs of resistancy

Performance

2025-04-27—2025-08-10

## EUROPEAN REALITIES

Realist movements in Europe in the 1920s and 1930s

Exhibition

2025-04—2025-06

## BEYOND GEOMETRY. FREI OTTO x KENGO KUMA

A programme in honour of Frei Otto's 100th birthday

Exhibition

# MAY

2025-05-01

## NONSTOP EUROPA!

International theatre festival and theatre school meetup

Festival

2025-05-03

## KARNEVAL DER KULTUREN FUNKEN + COME AND EAT AT MY TABLE

Chemnitz and diversity: engage all your senses

Event

2025-05-03—2025-10-26

## SLEEP WELL!

Yogis, pilgrims and other adventurers are invited

Overnight accommodation

2025-05-05

## COLOURFUL BRICKS FOR ACCESSIBILITY

A day full of activities for accessible, diverse togetherness

Intervention

2025-05-07—2025-05-10

## EUROPE WEEK

Thinking European and celebrating Europe

Festival

2025-05-07—2025-07-30

## BERGSCHAU / KOPEC KREATIVITY

The finest creativity in the Ore Mountains and the German-Czech border region

Exhibition

2025-05-09

## EUROPEAN CULTURE AWARD GALA

International stars of art, culture, and society visit the Capital of Culture

Event

2025-05-09—2025-05-18



2025-06-12  
**EUROPE LOCAL**

The responsibility of journalism and media in civic understanding

**Conference**

2025-06-13—2025-06-15  
**KOSMOS CHEMNITZ**

Festival for democracy

**Festival**

2025-06-13—2025-06-15  
**BLUE NOTE INTERNATIONAL**

The fruits of the blues

**Event series**

2025-06-18—2025-06-29  
**TANZ | MODERNE | TANZ**

International Festival for Contemporary Dance

**Festival**

2025-06-21  
**FÊTE DE LA MUSIQUE IN THE CULTURAL REGION**

European music festival with players from the cultural region

**Festival**

2025-06-21—2025-06-22  
**MAKERS UNITED**

The makers' festival for creativity and innovation

**Festival**

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**Festival**

2025-06-21  
**CHEMNITZ FIRE CUP 2025**

International youth fire brigade competition

**Event**

2025-06-25—2025-08-03  
**EUROPEAN YOUNG ART LINK CHEMNITZ 2025**

A Collective Work for Peace by Young People from Various Countries

**Exhibition**

2025-06-26—2025-06-29  
**CLIMBING OVER CHEMNITZ**

A thrilling street circus bringing together architecture and performers

**Festival**

2025-06-26—2025-07-27  
**PARKSOMMER**

Open air culture festival

**Festival**

2025-06-28—2025-11-29  
**THE CARS WE LIKE. CHEMNITZ 25**

A humorous exploration of the future of the car

**Exhibition / workshop**

2025-06—2025-09  
**TWO TOWNS**

A performative audio walk through the city with voices from Chemnitz and Coventry

**Performance**

**JUL**

2025-07-02—2025-07-11  
**MIRIQUIDI – KIDS IN THE FOREST**

A children's camp in Seiffen

**Event**

2025-07-07—2025-07-17  
**EDITH STEIN**

A panorama of a life

**Exhibition / concert**

2025-07-08  
**MOVING SOUNDS – EUROPEAN SUMMER PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA AND CHOIR**

A unifying tango concert

**Festival**

2025-07-18—2025-08-17  
**ART FESTIVAL BEGEHUNGEN**

Festival of contemporary art

**Festival**

2025-07  
**MOMO DISCOVERS C THE UNSEEN**

International children's short film project with MOMO – THE MONKEY INFLUENCER

**Moving image / screening**

2025-07—2025-08  
**CITY ON A RIVER – EBBS AND FLOWS**

An exhibition on innovation through movement

**Exhibition**

2025-07—2025-09  
**REST (WORKING TITLE)**

Photographs from Klinikum Chemnitz

**Exhibition**

2025-07—2025-08  
**CROSSBORDER CREATIVES**

Creative across borders

**Exhibition / event**

2025-07—2025-09  
**HALTESTELLE KULTUR**

A tram of visionary futures

**Event series**

**AUG**

2025-08-01—2025-08-03  
**EUROBEAN CHOCOLATE FESTIVAL**

The sweetest temptation in the 2025 Capital of Culture

**Festival**

2025-08-09  
**HUSTLE AND BUSTLE**

Greetings from the Stadtwirtschaft!

**Festival**

2025-08-10—2025-11-02  
**EDVARD MUNCH**

Angst

**Exhibition**

2025-08-10—2025-11-02  
**MUNCH. ANGST. AND WHAT ABOUT YOU?**

Collective artworks at the intersection of emotions and artificial intelligence

**Intervention**

2025-08-14—2025-09-14  
**STRAW INTO GOLD**

An upcycling project by Chemnitz Correctional Centre in partnership with the Kulturhaus Arthur

**Workshop / exhibition**

2025-08-15—2025-08-17  
**48-HOUR COOKING MARATHON**

A delicious community week-end full of creative cuisine

**Festival**

2025-08-15—2025-08-17  
**HOHNDORF AND ITS EUROPEAN ROOTS**

Home and Heritage

**Event series**

2025-08-22—2025-08-24  
**BDTSK8 FESTIVAL**

European Skateboard Festival

**Festival**

2025-08-22—2025-08-24  
**LOOP!**

The knitting festival at the textile hub in the Esche-Museum in Limbach-Oberfrohna

**Festival**

2025-08-22—2025-09-07  
**IBUG**

An urban art festival

**Festival**

2025-08-23—2025-09-27  
**STORIES OF SQUARES – VISIONS OF SQUARES – SQUARE DESIGN**

An architectural intervention for a more sustainable city

**Intervention**

2025-08-23—2025-09-14  
**THE ARCHAEOLOGY OF THINGS**

Theatre of found objects from Chemnitz garages (Premiere)

**Performance**

2025-08-23—2025-08-24  
**COLOURFUL ROOFTOPS**

The first Chemnitz rooftop festival

**Event series**

2025-08-23  
**MAKERFESTIVAL ERZGEBIRGE**

Craft. Print. Saw. Chat. Laser-engrave. Be amazed!

**Festival**

2025-08-24—2025-08-31  
**CHEMNITZ GARAGE SCHOOL**

Intergenerational concepts for sustainable social change

**Workshop / event series**

2025-08-25—2025-08-31  
**MEMO 2025**

The 19th Central European Mathematics Olympiad

**Event**

2025-08-27—2025-10-25  
**CHEMNITZ' HEADS**

Sculpture exhibit

**Exhibition**

2025-08-29—2025-08-31  
**THE TOYMAKERS' FESTIVAL**

A long weekend in Seiffen Toy Village

**Festival**

2025-08  
**ANASTASIA KHOROSHILOVA**

Dairy farmers / barn relocation

**Exhibition**

2025-08  
**STREET CHESS INTERNATIONAL**

Black and white thinking

**Festival**

2025-08—2025-09  
**THE KIOSK OF UNKNOWLEDGE**

A temporary public installation that aims to bring the invisible to light

**Workshop series / installation**

2025-08—2025-09  
**SCHOCKEN VON SCHOCKEN – HOW NOT TO PRIVATISE AIR?**

A play about the moral legacy of department store owner Salman Schocken

**Performance**

2025-08-01—2025-11-30  
**ZADA PILOT PROJECT**

An exhibition trail that invites visitors to experience, realise and take a stand

**Event series**

2025-09-03—2025-09-07  
**THE BUS ALREADY LEFT**

A theatrical city tour on the subject of work – by and with women from Chemnitz

**Performance**

2025-09-05—2025-09-06  
**DE:ORIENTO**

A festival of first-civilization cultures

**Festival**

2025-09-05—2025-11-02  
**DONATA WENDERS: ODE TO CRAFT**

Film screening

**Moving image / screening**

2025-09-05—2025-09-14  
**PRAISE SILBERMANN'S ORGANS**

Unheard music for the arts, children, and young people

**Event series**

2025-09-06  
**A MEMORIAL AS A SOCIAL SEISMOGRAPH FOR DEMOCRACY**

In conversation with Justin Sonder

**Intervention**

2025-09-06  
**COOGIE: CHEMNITZ – OULU – OSIJEK – GUITAR – INTERNATIONAL – EXCHANGE**

Musical and cultural exchange project with the European Capital of Culture 2026

**Performance**

2025-09-12—2025-09-14  
**HEYM'S HYMN**

A weekend with Stefan Heym

**Symposium**

2025-09-15—2025-09-19  
**WOHIN MIT ALL DEM ZEUX**

Sustainable materials awareness week

**Workshop series**

2025-09-18—2025-09-20  
**LET'S PLAY. SERIOUSLY.**

Learn and understand through play at the Serious Games Maker Days

**Festival**

2025-09-20—2025-09-21  
**FAIRGROUND**

An opera about the (im-)possibilities of life

**Performance**

2025-09-20  
**200 YEARS OF THE RAILWAY IN EUROPE**

Travel through history throughout the Capital of Culture region

**Event**

2025-09-24—2025-09-27  
**LIGHT OUR VISION**

Chemnitz Light Art Festival

**Event**

2025-09-26—2025-10-18  
**FRITZ51**

A festival between, above, and with concrete

**Festival**

2025-09-27—2025-10-04  
**SCHLINGEL INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL**

30th International Film Festival for Children and Young Audiences

**Festival**

2025-09-27  
**#BEACTIVE 2025**

The European week of sport comes to Culture of Capital Chemnitz

**Event**

2025-09  
**SPORTS UNITED**

A week of exercise and cross-sport togetherness

**Event series**

2025-09  
**EUROPEAN PEACE RIDE**

International cycle tour for all

**Event series**

2025-09  
**RAUS AUS CHEMNITZ?**

A comic project about staying or going

**Exhibition**

2025-09—2025-10  
**INTERPOLAR NUCLEI\*TO-POGRAPHING FISSURES**

An exhibition on the true cost of mining in the German / Czech Ore Mountains

**Event series**

2025-09—2025-10  
**OUT OF ORDER**

A queer-feminist exhibition on identity and its forms of expression

**Exhibition**

2025-09—2025-10  
**CHEMNITZ UTOPIA**

Where have our utopias gone?

**Workshop series / performances**

2025-09—2025-11  
**SPACES OF GENEROSITY – MEETING PLACES**

Sharing stories, strengthening neighbourhoods, shaping the future

**Workshop series / performances**

2025-09—2025-12  
**TRY WALKING IN MAY SHOES**

Canadian views of the Ore Mountains

**Film / performance**

**OCT**

2025-10-04—2025-10-13  
**THE MITTWEIDA SUKKOT**

Art + Life at the Feast of Tabernacles

**Performance**

2025-10-05  
**SINGING HOPE**

REQUIEM CORONA with choirs from four cities

**Performance**

2025-10-06—2025-10-12  
**SUKKOT XXL**

The sukkah and the Feast of Tabernacles

**Festival**

2025-10-13—2025-10-19  
**CREATE.U – YOUNG CULTURE MADE IN CHEMNITZ**

Young people design their Capital of Culture programme

**Workshop series / festival**

2025-10-13—2025-10-19  
**RE:GENERATION CONFERENCE**

What we have learned from the generations before us

**Conference**

2025-10-17—2025-10-26  
**MAN | GA | RAGE**

Do-it-yourself Japanese culture

**Workshop series / performances**

2025-10-19—2025-10-26  
**PLANTING FESTIVAL: HARVEST**

Autumn 2025

**Festival**

2025-10-23—2025-12-31  
**MADE IN – PLATFORM FOR CONTEMPORARY CRAFTS & DESIGN**

Exhibition of innovative design and craft ideas

**Workshop series / exhibition**

2025-10-24—2025-11-08  
**HALLENKUNST**

Contemporary exhibition

**Exhibition**

2025-10-25  
**DA PACEM**

2025 Zwickau-Jablonec nad Nisou Choral Symphony Project

**Performance**

2025-10-29—2025-11-01  
**SLAM 25**

International German-language poetry slam championships

**Festival**

2025-10  
**LONIG & HAVENDEL**

A Vietnamese-German event series

**Event series**

2025-10  
**HEAR TO C**

Celebrating the international art of radio practice in the city and on the airwaves

**Conference**

2025-10  
**>> JEWS, GERMANS, AND OIL ARE OUR BEST EXPORTS <<**

Special exhibit on the ransom of the Germans of Romania, 1968–1989

**Exhibition**

2025-10—2025-11  
**THE QUESTIONS**

Intergenerational encounters

**Performance**

**NOV**

2025-11-05—2025-11-08  
**PERSPECTIVES – FILM FESTIVAL FOR HUMAN RIGHTS**

Cinema by young people for young people

**Moving image / screening**

2025-11-06—2025-11-07  
**FASHIONTEX**