

Look around!

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Let's go out and look around in the city of Tallinn! This workshop makes the participants really see their surroundings. It turns their heads, moves their eyes and focuses to the wide lines and small details of the city space.

The students will have the drawing materials and they will walk to the old town of Tallinn and gather to a small square or street. They will study the views and scenes they would normally pass without noticing e.g. ornaments, signs, structures, windows, works of art etc. which are easy to find in the beautiful old-town houses.

Each participant works individually, but finally all the drawings are joined. The workshop ends to an exhibition. The idea is that people walking on the streets of Tallinn would also see the artwork and discover the hidden beauty of their surroundings.

The workshop is suitable both for younger and older artists from all skill levels. Each can choose their subject according to their abilities and interests.

The aim of this workshop is that the students will learn to appreciate, evaluate and be inspired of their visual environment and use it as a source in the creative work. We will take a look around and we will help other people to look too!

Tools/Materials: Drawing materials

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