



UKRAINIAN  
DANISH

YOUTH  
HOUSE

2024

# FOURTH YEAR OF THE UKRAINIAN-DANISH YOUTH HOUSE

OUR ACTIVITIES



In 2024, we implemented new iterations of the “Dreams for Ukraine” program — for **Dnipro and Zaporizhzhia** regions.

About **130 young people** from these regions joined online lectures on activism, culture, education.

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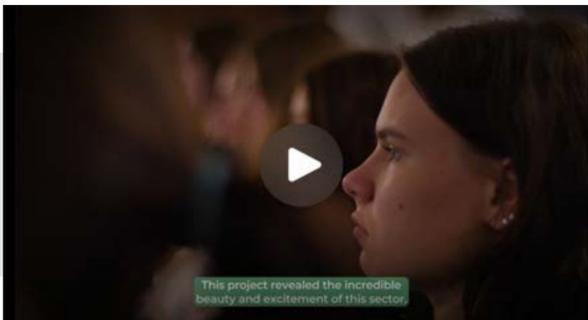
participants from these regions joined offline training about project management

35

members of the all-regional community joined the Mrii Summit to share achievements and strengthen the program

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projects were implemented by the community members in their cities with our mini-grants



Hear thoughts and dreams of the program’s participants here: [link](#)

25

participants joined the “School of Dialogue” this year

more than 8

workshops about dialogue method were created this year by the participants

93

young people joined all 4 “Schools of Dialogue” and learned this method



Practice, intention, questions and answers, sudden insights, motivation, jokes, replenishment of the toolbox, new acquaintances, discussion of joint projects, warmth, and mutual understanding - this is just a small list of what happened to me during the School. These four days of dynamic work have been imprinted on the pages of my notebooks and expanded my perception of working with groups in general.

*Vyacheslav from Kharkiv*

2024 is the first year of the program dedicated to the grant management and administration!

**2** intensives this year

about **50** participants who improved their grant management and administration skills



Launched in November 2024, this course focuses on developing a culture of democracy in youth organizations. The course is on as it lasts 5 months.

**20** participants from all over Ukraine

**10** youth organizations were represented



Grant Compass is the best training on grants that I have ever attended, and this is because it is not only about grant writing, but also about grant management, i.e. it explains what to do when you have already received a grant.

*Radostina from Zaporizhzhia*

Participation in this program gave me a boost of self-confidence. Insight: I have everything to create quality projects and submit grant applications.

*Danylo from Dnipro*

During our participation in Key, we are prioritizing working on such changes as:

- ensuring the organization has rules (policies) that guarantee equal treatment and equal access to the activities carried out by the organization for all volunteers, and other members of the organization, regardless of their origin, cultural identity, lifestyle or beliefs
- young people are involved in all the stages of working on the project

*Andrii from Dnipro*

# Grant Program

more than **200** applications for Grant Program

**24** youth organizations already received grant support

**7** youth centers have already received support

Laboratory of socially-critical art, "Between Contours", aims to help artists develop social responsibility, enhance research skills, and promote the creation of impactful art projects.

more than **80** applications from young artists from all over Ukraine

**9** artists joined the Laboratory. They come from different parts of Ukraine, including Kramatorsk, Lviv, Odesa, Kharkiv, Kyiv, and even Denmark



Here are some of the projects among supported!

“Frankivsk School of Contemporary Art” by [Asortymentna Kimnata](#) united young artists around civic education and contemporary art.

“School of Democratic Initiatives” by the NGO [“Osvita 360”](#) was about opportunities, civic activism, countering disinformation, democracy, 11 European youth goals, and integrity in public activities.

Educational course from [Repair Together](#) consisted of lectures about community building, interaction with the authorities, fundraising, communication and advocacy.

I was interested in learning more about how to turn my ideas into projects. That's why I decided to apply to this Lab. The program is focused on the implementation of ideas, not just the theoretical aspects of art. I really like it, and that's why I'm here.

*Andrii from Kramatorsk*

I think it's important to hold artistic and cultural events in Kharkiv now to make people feel alive. When there is a cultural life in the city, there is a sense of meaning in existence — you don't just sit at home under fire all the time.

*Olena from Kharkiv*

## ACT ON DEMOCRACY

# 18

**young people from Ukraine and Denmark engaged in workshops, and group work** about democracy and dialogue. They then joined the People's Summit, where they conducted activities they had developed during the seminar

### GROW II

# 30

**young people from Ukraine and Denmark** representing 15 youth organizations got together to share experiences, strengthen their organizational capacity



Watch how it was!

[ACT ON DEMOCRACY: link](#)

[GROW II: link](#)

## Programs in Denmark

### Ukrainian-Danish Youth Ambassadors

In the spring, the Ukrainian-Danish Corps of Youth Ambassadors was established in Denmark. It consists of young Ukrainian volunteers currently living in Denmark. The goal is to raise awareness and deepen understanding of Ukraine, its culture, and its youth. [You can book their visit on the website!](#)

### Educational materials

# 24

**different educational institutions in Denmark** have downloaded educational materials about Ukraine since the launch in the end of November. These materials were developed to raise awareness of the history of Ukraine among Danish youth. [Go to the website to download!](#)



[Watch us presenting Educational Materials at TV2: link](#)

[Read Educational Materials: link](#)

## Democracy Handbook

The second handbook was translated and published!  
**2000 copies of the Democracy Handbook in the Ukrainian language!**

This book tells details on how to develop a culture of democracy in the organization.

**We already received more than 150 applications to receive their copy.**

In 2023, we translated and published the Dialogue Handbook. Since then, about 1700 young people have already received their own printed copy.

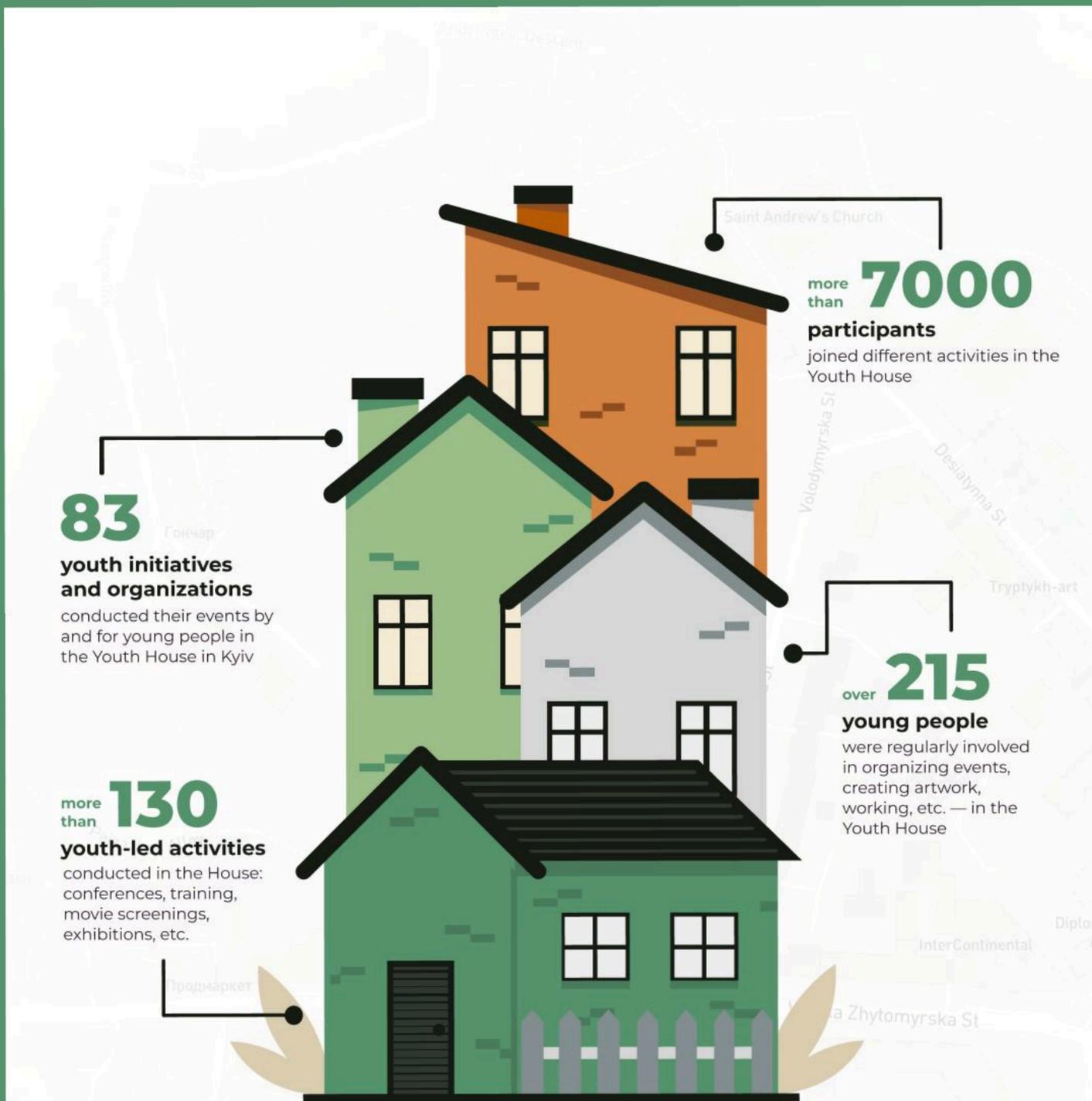


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## AND THE SECOND YEAR IN THE HOUSE IN KYIV

The Art Platform was officially launched in the end of 2023. Young artists got a chance to work in the House as residents, present their works, gain some knowledge — during lectures.

The Platform has brought together young artists and hosted dozens of creative initiatives that strengthen the unity of youth in wartime. It has become a space for co-creating new meanings and strengthening the voices of young artists.



ART & COMMERCE:  
HOW TO SELL YOUR WORK



SCREENING OF THE MOVIE  
"UNDERCOVER"



EXHIBITION  
"PORTAL CRIMEA"



MEDITATION PERFORMANCE  
"SILENCE"



EXHIBITION  
"DO NOT RESIST THE WIND"



EXHIBITION  
«VIRIBUS UNITIS»

more than **2600** young people experienced creative youth expressions

**25** art events that were organized, co-organized or co-hosted by (and in) the Youth House

**13** artists had the opportunity to work in the House's art studios as residents

# From the House in the House

During this year, there were 9 events by the House in the House that aimed at empowering young people, connecting them, enhancing their skills and involve in cultural topics. These are some of them:



**YOUTH COUNCILS AS A TOOL FOR BUILDING DEMOCRACY**



**RECONSIDERING THE SOFT POWER. CULTURE AS A TOOL OF INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION AND MUTUAL BENEFIT**



**YOUTH DEVELOPMENT FORUM**  
BY NGO "KYIV FRATERNITY"



**PRESENTATION OF THE RESEARCH "IMPACT OF WAR ON YOUTH"**  
BY UNDP AND THE MINISTRY OF YOUTH AND SPORTS



**MASTER CLASS ON PAINTING EASTER EGGS**



**ANNIVERSARY OF THE HOUSE**



**URBANDAY**



**YOUTH PHILOSOPHICAL FORUM**  
BY THE INSTITUTE OF PHILOSOPHY AND EDUCATIONAL POLICY



**PRESENTATION OF THE UPDATED "VOLUNTEER PLATFORM"**  
BY THE UKRAINIAN VOLUNTEER SERVICE



**MEDRISE CONFERENCE 2.0**

# Educational events

The whole year, the House was filled with training, workshops, lectures, and many other activities that empower young people.



**SCHOOL OF COMMUNITY LEADERS AND COMMUNITY MANAGERS**  
BY VILNYI



**GIRLS DIPLOMATIC ACADEMY 2.0**  
BY THE NGO "WOMEN'S LEAGUE"

# Podcasts

In 2024, an audio studio started working at the House, and young people from all over Ukraine came to record their podcasts and reinforce and provide knowledge for young people.

# Work in the House

The House was created not only for youth to join events or create them, but also to have a chance to work on their own or with a team on their project. This year, about 250 young people worked in the House.



**GAP YEAR**  
@\_gap.podcast



**A GUIDE TO THE POSSIBILITIES**  
@mukhavchai



**"REPOWER" NGO**



**FOUNDATION OF REGIONAL INITIATIVES**



**REPAINTED FOX**  
@repainted.fox



**VAKULA ENGLISH**  
@vakula\_english



**PODCAST ABOUT DECISIONS MADE BY THE GOVERNMENT**  
@centreua



**DRAWING CLASSES BY PROJECT "STORIES. DREAMS"**



# FIRST YEAR OF THE UKRAINIAN-DANISH YOUTH HOUSE IN MYKOLAIV

## December 2023

Huge news! We proudly announced that we received grant support from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Denmark to open a branch of the Youth House in Mykolaiv 🍷



## February 2024

The House in Mykolaiv found its first team members:

- Daria Frych-Alchina, Manager of the local Youth House
- Dmytro Larchenko, Program and Communications Officer



## March 2024

We signed a lease agreement for the space for the Youth House and began to implement our big dreams and plans.

*“It all started with empty rooms and big plans. We set ourselves a simple but important goal: to make the Youth House a place in Mykolaiv where everyone can find support, feel part of the community, and get the tools to implement their ideas,” says Dmytro.*

before





**April 2024**

The very first event at and of the local House was MeetUp for the youth of Mykolaiv. **More than 50 participants!**

*so proud ✨*



### Since then...

Renovations in the space didn't stop us and the youth from doing events. **Each gathered 20-40 people**, giving them not only new knowledge but also a sense of community.

During this year, we organized movie screenings, meetings with activists, a literary evening, and even a Silent Party!

more than

**150**

young people from Mykolaiv, Odesa, Kherson, and Kirovohrad regions **joined our activities**



👉  
**April — December 2024**

The Ukrainian-Danish Youth House in Mykolaiv organized several programs specifically for youth from southern regions!

**22**

young people from Mykolaiv joined two iterations of the **Ambassador Program**

**16**

representatives of youth initiatives from Mykolaiv and Odesa regions joined **“Grant Compass”** and improved grant management and administration skills

**14**

young people participated in the **“School of Dialogue”** and learned about the dialogue method

**16**

young activists from the Mykolaiv and Kirovohrad regions joined **“Urban studios”** on local initiatives and participatory processes

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As it turned out, I knew only 10-15% of the information from the program. There was a lot of new data, important details, tricks, life hacks, and tips for working on grant projects. Everything was very accessible, and I can't wait to put the knowledge I've gained into practice!

*Anastasiia about participating in Grant Compass*

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I was inspired by the community of participants and their experiences, which we constantly shared. This program is not just an opportunity for professional development but also a platform for acquiring new contacts and connections.

*Daria from the Pervomaisk Youth Council — about participating in the Grant Compass*



Watch Ambassadors speaking from the stages of the Ungdommens Folkemøde: [link](#)

Get to know what young Ukrainians and Danes think about democracy: [link](#)



**Interviewer: What is to you the most important thing about living in a democracy?**



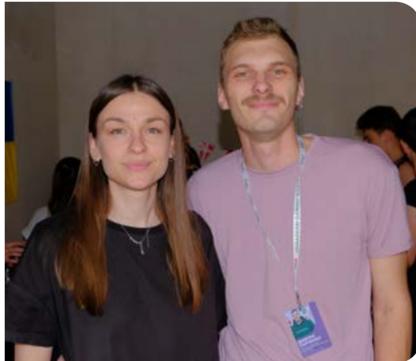
## June 2024

We grew as a team! Meet Anastasiia Shylovets, Administrative Assistant!



## December 2024

We grew again! Get to know Natalia Chabonian, Content Creator!



## December 2024

The last event of the year. A very special one. Second, winter MeetUp. We brought together about **60 participants** united by a common desire to transform Mykolaiv!



**See you in 2025!**