



Kaunas session of European Cultural Parliament

September 8–11, 2022

Tentative programme

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September 8, Thursday

14:00–16:00	Solemn meeting of Vytautas Magnus University (VMU) Senate. Honorary Regalia Award Ceremony and Lecture by Doctor Honoris Causa Karl-Erik Norrman Aula Magna, Gimnazijos g. 7
16:30–16:45	Transfer to the concert venue by a bus + a cable car
17:00–18:00	Introduction to culture: a concert VMU Music Academy, V. Čepinskio g. 5

September 9, Friday

11:00–12:30	Group 1 The exhibition That Which We Do Not Remember by William Kentridge M. K. Čiurlionis National Museum of Art, V. Putvinskio g. 55	Group 2 CityTelling Festival. Out of Darkness , an exhibition by artist Jenny Kagan (United Kingdom) Gimnazijos g. 4
13:00–14:30	Group 1 CityTelling Festival. Out of Darkness, an exhibition by artist Jenny Kagan (United Kingdom)	Group 2 The exhibition That Which We Do Not Remember by William Kentridge in M. K. Čiurlionis National Museum of Art
16:00–16:30	A sneak-peek at the Yoko Ono exhibition before its opening Kaunas Picture Gallery, K. Donelaičio g. 16, Kaunas	
17:15	Press briefing Moderator: Vilma Bijeikienė, Vice Rector for Communication Participants: Pär Stenbäck, ECP President, Karl-Erik Norrman, ECP-Secretary General, Virginija Vitkienė, CEO of “Kaunas 2022” and new ECP member, Gintautas Mažeikis, VMU professor and ECP member Media representatives VMU Small Hall, S. Daukanto g. 28	
18:00–20:00	Opening of ECP session 18:00–18:30 Welcoming speeches Juožas Augutis, Rector, Simonas Kairys, Minister of Culture, Vytautas Juozapaitis, Chair of the Committee on Culture of the Seimas of Lithuania, Pär Stenbäck, ECP president, Kaunas 2022 VMU Great Hall, S. Daukanto g. 28 18:30–18:50 Presentation of Kaunas – European Capital of Culture 2022 Virginija Vitkienė, CEO of Kaunas 2022 18:50–19:30 Karl-Erik Norrman presents the new ECP Members: Virginija Vitkienė, Jurgita Staniškytė, Vytautas Juozapaitis, Rimantas Vingras, Viktor Rubin, Marin Ivanovic, Nicolae Burcea/Butler, Weronika Priesmeyer-Tkocz 19:30–20:30 Opening of the exhibition by the new ECP-Member, Ukrainian photographer Oleksandr Zakletskyi Reception, the Foyer of VMU Great Hall	



September 10, Saturday (VMU Small Hall, S. Daukanto g. 28)

08:30–09:00	Registration
09:00–09:20	Plenary session Introduced by ECP President Pär Stenbäck
09:20–09:40	Collective guilt and responsibility or accusations and responses – the European experience Professor Gintautas Mažeikis, Vytautas Magnus University
09:40–11:00	Debate on “Culture, Universities and war”
11:00–11:20	Coffee break
11:20–12:00	Promoting Democracy and Cultural Diplomacy through the EU Eastern Partnership program Dr. Gabrielė Žaidytė, Adviser to the Prime Minister of the Republic of Lithuania on Culture Prof. Dr. Levan Khetaguri, Director of Arts Research Institute of Georgia and UNESCO Chair of Georgian Technical University.
12:00–13:00	General Debate
13:00–14:15	Lunch at Fortas Restaurant in Vienybės Square
14:15–15:30	ECP-speakers
14:15–14:30	Parallel city Eliza Hoxha, Pristina
14:30–14:45	Nordic scenarios. Thinking about the future in Baltic Sea Area Nils-Erik Forsgård, Helsinki
14:45–15:00	Re-imagining Tomorrow through Arts & Sciences Arlon Luijten, RASL, Rotterdam Art Science Lab, an interdisciplinary project
15:00–15:15	The Transatlantic Dialogue beyond 2021... a project on the significance of culture for fostering global, compassionate and mindful citizenship François Carbon, Compassionate Pedagogue & member of the European Cultural Parliament, Luxembourg
15:15–15:30	General discussion
15:30–18:00 (including coffee break)	Workshop 1: “The Creative Process – How can the cultural creativity process contribute to a creative process in other sectors of society?” Moderator: Timothy Emlyn Jones, Burren College of Art, Ireland S. Daukanto g. 28, Faculty of Economics and Management, Room 402 Registration for the guests of the event. Registration for ECP members.
15:30–18:00 (including coffee break)	Workshop 2: “2022 – Challenges for European universities” with participation of philosophers, historians and other intellectuals Moderator: Claire Fox, Academy of Ideas, London, and Stelios Virvidakis, Professor of Philosophy, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens S. Daukanto g. 28, Faculty of Economics and Management, Room 404 Registration for the guests of the event. Registration for ECP members.
18:15–19:00	Plenary session Moderator: ECP senator Ove Joanson, Stockholm
19:00–22:00	Free time
22:00	“Fluxus Festival” – A Kaunas 2022 event



September 11, Sunday (VMU Great Hall, S. Daukanto g. 28)

09:00–09:20	Can cultural organisations deliver evidence about their contribution to democratic and civic outcomes, and by doing so overcome their institutional shortcomings? Steve Austen, President Amsterdam Summer University, Permanent Fellow Felix Meritis Foundation, Board A Soul for Europe
09:20–11:00	Plenary Session Moderators: Pär Stenbäck and Karl-Erik Norrman
11:00–11:20	Coffee break
11:20–12:30	Drafting Kaunas declaration Moderated by Pär Stenbäck, Ove Joanson, Karl-Erik Norrman
12:30–13:00	Closing session and group photos

The event is part of “Kaunas – European Capital of Culture 2022” programme.