

# Make a mask & Wear a mask!

## Introduction:

Many of the youngsters' activities suffer under the limitations and restrictions made necessary by the Coronavirus, so we, two artist and volunteers from Café Mellemfolk, Aarhus, feel the urge to react to this crisis situation. Our primary aim is to focus on what we can do to support and strengthen the youth. By participating in this call we want to build the network which will allow us to find the opportunities to support young citizens in Århus.

Currently, if you do have to leave the house, it is recommended to always wear a mask when you can't maintain two meters distance between you and other people. It's been shown that face coverings can help prevent the spread of COVID-19. Therefore, two textile artists decided to get involved in the promotion of wearing masks among youth! We want to use natural and upcycled fabric for this project, so it will also ally with green principles which we also want to focus on.

**Our proposal on how to help stop the spread of infection among young 16-30-year-olds contains two parts. First is the online DIY workshop: Make your own protective mask. Second is a Mask-making workshop for participants. We believe that the creative task will increase the usage of this and other protective measures among the youth. What can be cooler than wearing a piece of art on your face and at the same time increasing the safety of yours and others :)? Our goal is also to prepare some textile masks, which will be given away to the youth. Our idea is to use upcycling to mitigate the environmental impact of our creation.**

## Our principles:

1. Workshops will always include information about the current recommendations provided by the national authorities.
2. We would also inform and instruct the participants on how to limit infection.
3. Give away the small bottles with sanitizer for each participant (small, pocket-size).

## Project Details:

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Mask-making workshop with artist Maximiliano Krzyszkowski & Cath

- Online streaming of the DIY masks
- Place: Café Mellemfolk, giving away of sanitisers and masks.

We believe that both physical and on-line workshops like this will be a fantastic opportunity to raise awareness about SARS-COVID2 among young people. We will, of course, implement all protective measures and ensure the safety of all the physical participants in the workshop.

## On-line dissemination details

Mellemfolk environment is characterized by a wealth of diverse volunteers-driven activities, both activists and social. Our additional task will be creating space for dialogue and collaboration with students and volunteers to support the implementation of these activities. For example by:

- helping youngsters keep up to date on the applicable guidelines, options, and limitations of a corona time
- sharing knowledge and good experiences between youngsters about how social activities can be safely carried out
- taking initiatives together with the student-run organizations for activities that can promote well-being
- facilitating dialogue, collaboration and networking between youngsters
- supporting the effective and targeted communication of youngsters-driven activities
- ensuring the best possible transition and continuation of the youth-driven activities after Corona

At the same time, we want to keep it open to any needs and ideas which will appear along with the implementation and dissemination of the project.

## Estimation of the Implementation costs

Expenses	Costs (dkk)
- costs of materials for sewing (rubber ban, fabric, thread etc) - approx	- 700
- costs of the rental meeting room for the project. (donation to Mellenfolk Café)	- 500
- salary for the co-host Maximiliano Krzyszkowski	- 2500
- purchase of pocket-size sanitizers	- 1000

Total Cost	~4700
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