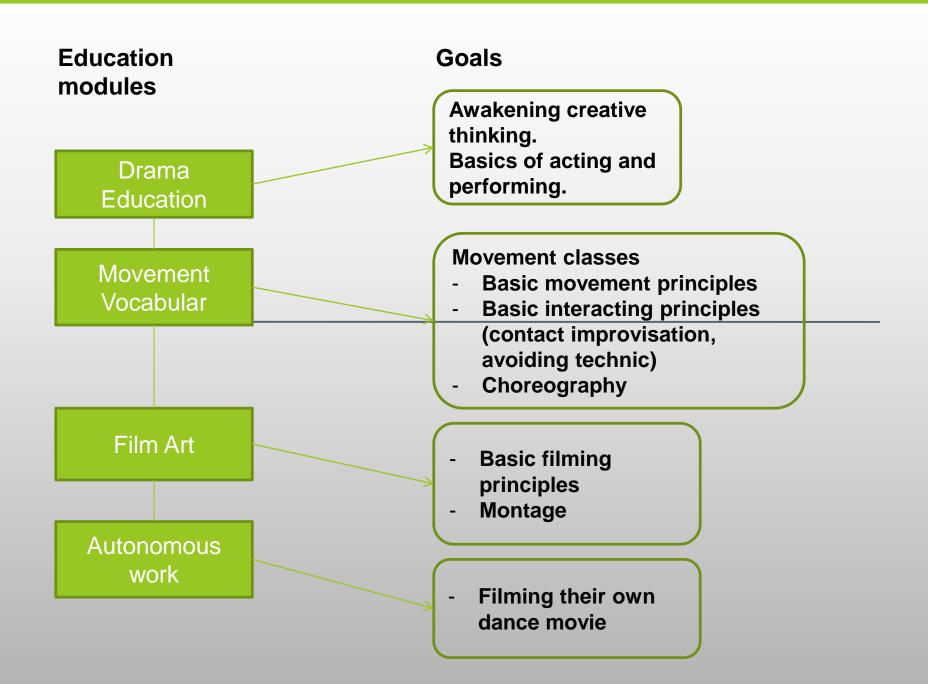
Depriviledged art Description

- Deprivileged art project was organised as series of classes compound from different art fields (acting, filming, dancing).
- Target group were the children and youngsters, from deprivileged immigrant families, active in CONA – Centre for Children, Youngsters and Volunteers.
- Main goal was to introduce the children with their own potential for artistic creativity.
- Low cost technical equipment has proved them that artistic expression is on the reach of their hands.
- Classes were engaging theoretical in practical part so the children were able to test the knowledge and share it through the practical experience with the mentors.



Drama Education module

The basic idea in drama education was to introduce and present drama to the group as a tool for initiating dialogue with them selves and also within a group to raise sensitivity and creativity.

The theoretical part of basic principals of performing;

- body movement,
- speech and emotions
- cooperation with the group

Movement Vocabular

- Main goals of contemporary dance module were to acquire the basic movement principles and use those in a creative choreography work.
- Practical workshops introduced children with main principles, elements of dance – space, time, force, body and movement.
- In later time children were faced with abstract impulses such are pictures or short stories with task to translate it into short simple choreographies, solos or group choreographies.

Film Art Module

- Main goal of Visual Art module was to introduce youngsters with the film art basics, with special emphasize on dance film as genre.
- Two basic methods were used in delivering learning material to the students:
 - Ex cathedra
 - Learning through practical work (Experience learning)
- Final result of educational process will be short dance film, made by whole participants including mentors.

Autonomous work

- Final phase of the project was sublimation of gained skills and knowledge into their own art project – short dance movie.
- Last phase was two month long.
- Important role of mentor was present all the time.

Challenges in general:

- Low self-esteem
- No self initiative, blocked imagination
- Aggressiveness
- Difficulties to express feelings and thoughts
- Weak in taking responsibility
- Difficulties in school
- Weak or non existing experiences with art
- Negative pressure from environment
- Huge age differences (8 16)
- Collision of different work methods between mentors and permanent educators
- Inconsistent attendance

Chalanges for mentors:

- Introduce art forms through series of short workshops.
- Open dialogue
- Avoiding underestimation
- Showing them respect
- Respecting their ideas
- Setting clear boundaries
- Fairness
- Building safe environment
- Improvisation

Results For youngsters:

- They become open to express thoughts and feelings
- Lowering prejudices toward abstract thinking and culture
- Improved internal communication
- Recognising talents they have
- More vivid imagination
- Researching and testing their abilities
- Entrance in unknown, leaving comfort zone
- Feeling for personal contribution to the group

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