



**TEOS- JA TOIMINTAEHDOTUKSET**  
**ART AND ACTIVITY SUBMISSIONS**  
**14.6.–1.10.2022**

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## **THE FREE CITY OF GAMES IS OPEN FOR GAME ACTIVITY AND ART SUBMISSIONS**

The Free City of Games is an event held in Kouvola in November (1.-30.11.2022) as a part of the Capital of Game Art project. The event is all about freedom and creativity. The purpose is to bring gaming activities and game art to the city centre and inspire people to enjoy games together. The event will be held in the centre of Kouvola and it will be open for the public. The facilities for showcasing art and for activities are offered free of charge on the behalf of the Free City of Games.

We are currently looking for proposals for the event in the form of game art and game related activities. The content of the event has not been defined too precisely in advance. We hope that artists, game designers, players and others come and showcase their work and present their skills however they want.

### **Who can create content for the Free City of Games?**

**ARTIST** Do you have a gamified piece of art that you'd like to showcase for a day or a week? It can be a virtual reality experience, light installation, performance, motion-responsive projection, or something completely different.

**GAME DESIGNER** Bring your game for people to play and test out. No matter if you make digital games or board games, be proud of your creations and show them!

**GAMING CLUB OR TEAM** Come and show what it's all about in your club. Organize a tournament. Bring your grandparents to play games with you. Do something crazy!

**STREAMER** Come and do a live session, make gaming videos with random by-passers, ask your followers to join and play games with you.

**SCHOOLS AND STUDENTS** Come and show the games you've made. Come and play the together with visitors or organize a game jam!

**GAME COMPANY** Organize a public event where you present your games. If you have transferable escape-room games, bring them!

**PLAYERS AND FANS** Come and do epic speedruns. Organize a fan art exhibition with your friends. Show what miniature games are all about!

**OTHER** Museum, playschool, senior home, youth organization etc. Come and play your favourite games, bring your friends and relatives. Show the world what you play and why. Or maybe you've made games yourselves? Bring them for others to play as well.

**Proposal time:**

Reservations for activities and presentation of works can be made for a duration of 1-7 days. The event proposals can be made between 14.6.2022 and 1.10.2022, during which facilities will be reserved for individuals and groups in the order of registration. Opening hours and supervision of the space will be agreed on with the creators individually.

The works and activities proposed for the Free City of Games will be checked in advance. We hope to see inspiring and creative activities. Tell us what you would like to do in the centre of Kouvola. See the instructions and send your proposals in!

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR PROPOSALS**

We are looking for works related to the art of games, gaming organizers and players. The nature of the proposals can be for example: board game clubs, game clubs, game art exhibitions, demonstrations of new games, group game activities. The works can be complete playable games or immersive experiences, but they could also be fan art or machinima videos. The works and activities must be located indoors.

The artist/designer/creator proposing the work must have full copyright for the work or works they propose. Proposals must include at least the following information:

**Artist / Creator**

Name or names  
Email address  
Phone number  
Website (if there's one)

**Proposed work or works**

Artist's or operator's name  
Name of the work, and year of completion  
Size or duration  
Cost  
Requirements for indoor placement and technical remarks  
1-3 pictures of the proposal

**OR****Proposed activity**

Name or names  
Activity and the idea behind it  
Method of implementation  
Duration  
Cost  
Requirements for indoor placement and technical remarks  
1-3 pictures of the proposal

In addition, the proposal may include information about the possible target group of the work and its suitability for the game art event.

The maximum length of the proposal summary is 2 pages (A4).

**Fees**

The Capital of Game Art project is implemented with the support of foundations and local businesses. The Free City of Games will be organized partly with a grant from the Kymin Osakeyhtiön 100-vuotissäätiö and the Kymenlaakso Regional Fund. The facilities are available for the artists and operators free of charge. The selected works will be subsidized by the event organizer. The details are agreed on a contract between the artist and the event organizer.

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## Selection of the proposals

The selection of art and activity proposals is made by a panel of experts. The selections emphasize locality, activities that promote the art of games, and the artistic quality of the works. In addition, the suitability for public spaces is assessed.

Proposals must be submitted by **October 1, 2022**, by filling the submission form on <https://www.capitalgameart.fi/teosjatoimintahaku/> or by e-mail to: [capitalofgameart@gmail.com](mailto:capitalofgameart@gmail.com). Save the application in your own name as a pdf-file. Title the message as "Work / Activity Proposal / Free City of Games / Your Name". All applicants will be notified of the selection by the end of October 2022 at the latest.

## Contact information and additional information:

### Capital of Game Art project:

The aim of the Capital of Game Art project is to highlight games as their own art form, to present and support the work of local game makers, and to involve locals through game-making and gaming.

The project is done co-operation with the South-Eastern Finland University of Applied Sciences, the City of Kouvola, Eduko, the Poikilo Museums and the Arts Promotion Centre Finland, supported by the Kymin Osakeyhtiön 100-vuotissäätiö, Kymenlaakso Regional Fund, Kouvola Lakritsi, Kymi Regional Cooperative and Kouvola Asunnot.

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