

PROGRAMME

YOUCEE 2019

“75 Years of Freedom”

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ARNHEM THE NETHERLANDS



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Introduction

The theme chosen for the Airborne International Youth Conference Youcee 2019 is “75 Years of Freedom”. This is in cue with the other Airborne partners, who have adopted this Year theme of Platform WO2 (WWII). The annual conference is based on the structure of the Arnhem Model United Nations, a project directed by students of Rivers International School. High-school pupils from the Netherlands, Poland, Germany, Britain and Italy, who are joining the Market Garden programme Monday-Sunday, will also participate in the ARMUN conference on Friday. On the other days this group will participate in a highly varied programme which, in the context of the commemoration of Operation Market Garden, focuses on three aspects: commemoration, awareness and experience. The thread running throughout the entire programme is the question of the meaning of peace and freedom, then and now.



Continue introduction

Each year we aim to reach a new wave of high-school students and convey to the younger generations the priceless value of the Four Freedoms formulated by President Franklin Delano Roosevelt. By their participation in the Market Garden programme the youngsters are the “key to the Airborne region”.

Mission

To meet the wish of the veterans to intensively and interactively involve young people from various countries in keeping alive the lessons learned from the Second World War.





Cultural participation Akoesticum

There is an artist in every human being and Akoesticum wouldn't be Akoesticum if this National Training Centre for Performing Arts did not use the creativity of the 100 international youngsters, writing lyrics together, composing and rehearsing music. Suddenly, singer-songwriters in the making without any previous education. Under the professional guidance of a number of great coaches, led by Rohan Poldervaart, this will eventually lead to a very own "world premiere": the "Youcee Song 2019". This Vocal Statement will be interwoven as a thread through the conference programme on official occasions in the four Airborne region municipalities.



Programme “75 Years of Freedom” Day 1

Monday, 16 September 2019

Dresscode: casual

Registration and introductions

From approx. 16.00 arrival English, Polish, German, Italian and Dutch students and teachers in Training Centre Akoesticum Ede

Planning:

- 13:00 Youcee-team check rooms & set up reception
- 16:00 Check-in
- 19:00 Evening meal
- 20:30 Introductory programme with Petra Vos



Programme “75 Years of Freedom” Day 2

Tuesday 17 September 2019

Dresscode: casual

First Step to a Choir

Participants have the opportunity to become acquainted with each other in workshops organised by Akoesticum. During the programme a song will be composed by the participants. Throughout the week this song will be performed in all regional municipalities, strengthening the bonds between the four municipal districts.

Planning:

- 08:00 Breakfast
- 09:00 Introduction vocal workshop
“Youcee Song 2019” with Rohan Poldervaart
- 09:30 Contact with the outside world via Shared Studios
- 12:00 Lunch
- 13:00 Workshop “Youcee Song 2019” with Rohan Poldervaart
- 17:30 Relaxation
- 18:30 Evening meal
- 19:30 Follow-up workshop “Youcee Song 2019”



Programme “75 Years of Freedom” Day 3

Wednesday 18 September 2019

Dresscode: casual

“Facing an Airborne past”

After the opening ceremony for the conference in the Old Church (Oude Kerkje) in Oosterbeek, participants will stand face to face with the region’s Airborne past. The youngsters will visit the Airborne Museum in Oosterbeek and participate in the Airborne Battlefield Tour. The planning is for the participants in the Battlefield Tour to visit the most widely-known Airborne monuments in the Airborne Region. At the Airborne cemetery in Oosterbeek the youngsters will place a wreath of flowers.

Planning:

08:00 Breakfast

09:00 Bus leaving for Oosterbeek

09:30 Reception guests in the Old Church in Oosterbeek

10:00 Opening of Youcee 2019 conference in the Old Church in Oosterbeek and performance with “Youcee Song 2019”



Continue programme “75 Years of Freedom” Day 3

Planning:

- 10:30 Bus leaving for the Airborne Museum
- 11:00 Visit to the Airborne Museum
- 12:30 Reception by the Mayor of Renkum and lunch
- 14:00 Battlefield Tour
- 19:00 Evening meal
- 20:30 Relaxation | entertainment



Programme “75 Years of Freedom” Day 4

Thursday 19 September 2018

Dresscode: casual

Preparation for ARMUN

Preparation for the Arnhem Model United Nations conference in the Town Hall of Ede. The participants will prepare themselves for the ARMUN conference under the guidance of the Rivers International School students. A programme of leisure activities is scheduled after lunch.

Planning:

- 08:00 Breakfast
- 09:00 Bus leaving for the Town Hall of Ede
- 09.30 Reception by the Mayor of Ede
- 10:00 Preparation ARMUN
- 12:30 Lunch at the Town Hall of Ede and performance with “Youcee Song 2019”
- 14:00 Sport activities at the Orange Army Barracks in Arnhem
- 19:00 Evening meal in presence of the veterans
- 20:00 Workshops and interaction with veterans with the cooperation of Shared Studios



Programme “75 Years of Freedom” Day 5

Friday 20 September 2019

Dresscode: formal

ARMUN “The currency of Freedom” and Memorial service at the Airborne Cemetery

The Arnhem Model United Nations conference is organised by the Rivers International School, who are joined by a group of some 125 youngsters. The conference is organised in the Akoesticum in Ede. ARMUN is a high-profile conference in which young people debate the problems in the world today. In the evening the participants will take part in the Airborne Commemoration in the Airborne Square in Arnhem. Several youngsters will place a wreath of flowers.

Planning:

- 08:00 Breakfast
- 09:00 Opening ARMUN conference
 - Welcome speech by the Secretary General of ARMUN
 - Opening conference with “Youcee Song 2019”
- 13:00 Lunch
- 14:00 ARMUN part 2
- 15:30 Closing ceremony



Continue programme “75 Years of Freedom” Day 5

Planning:

- 16:00 Bus leaving for Arnhem
- 17:00 Free time for shopping including diner at the Mc Donalds in Arnhem
- 18:30 Memorial service and placing of wreath at Airborne Square in Arnhem
- 20:15 Bus leaving for Akoesticum Ede
- 20:45 Free evening



Programme “75 Years of Freedom” Day 6

Saturday, 21 September 2019

Dresscode: day formal | evening casual

Day 5 The Battle of Arnhem

The Battle of Arnhem began with the dropping of the First Airborne Division on the Ginkelse Heide in Ede. Every year, a parachute dropping event takes place at the Ginkelse Heide, in honour of the soldiers who perished there. The dropping is followed by a memorial service in which the youngsters will participate and place flowers. After the dropping and commemorations at the Ginkelse Heide, a memorial service is held at the Poland monument in Driel in attendance of the youngsters and a wreath of flowers will be laid.

Planning:

- 08:00 Breakfast
- 10:30 Attend the Ginkelse Heide parachuting event and commemoration at the monument
- 12:45 Bus leaving for Driel
- 13:30 Lunch in restaurant “De Oldenburg” in Driel and performance with “Youcee Song 2019”
- 14:30 Memorial service at the Poland monument in Driel
- 16:00 Bus leaving for Akoesticum
- 19:00 Farewell party with BBQ and awarding certificates



Programme “75 Years of Freedom” Day 7

Sunday, 22 September 2019

Dresscode: formal

“Memorial Service and Closing”

The group’s attendance of the memorial service at the Airborne Cemetery in Oosterbeek is the official closing of the YOUCEE conference. The group will head home in the afternoon.

Planning

- 08:00 Breakfast
- 09:00 Clean up and pack belongings
- 10:00 Bus is leaving for the Airborne Cemetery
- 11:30 Memorial service at the Airborne Cemetery in Oosterbeek and placing of flowers
- 13:00 Lunch with packed lunch near the Fellowshiptent
- 14:00 End of Airborne International Youth Conference YOUCEE 2019





Become a friend of the vfonds today

The Dutch National Foundation for Peace, Freedom and Veteran Care (vfonds) supports a variety of projects in the interest of peace and freedom.

Our three main goals:

1. The vfonds is dedicated to creating awareness and respect for uniformed personnel and veterans, who have become victims of war whilst serving the Netherlands, anywhere in the world.
2. Moreover, the vfonds wants to keep the memory of the Second World War alive by commemorating the victims, honouring the Veterans, and above all, by celebrating liberation, peace and freedom.
3. In the interest of peace and freedom, we support a variety of projects in the Netherlands that stimulate democracy and international justice.

Do you also consider Peace and Freedom important? And do you like the projects we support? Become a friend of the vfonds today (for free)! www.vfonds.nl Visit the projects we support and talk about it with your friends. Because together we make peace possible !



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Integrierte Gesamtschule | Gera.de

VI Liceum Ogólnokształcące im. Wacława Sierpińskiego
w Gdyni | Gdansk.pl

Skola Podstawowa nr 19 im. Wandy Chotomskiej
w Lodz | Lodz.pl

Casoli Highschool Casoli.i

John Ruskin College Croydon.gb

Rivers International school | Arnhem.nl

Arentheem College locatie Thomas à Kempis | Arnhem.nl

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