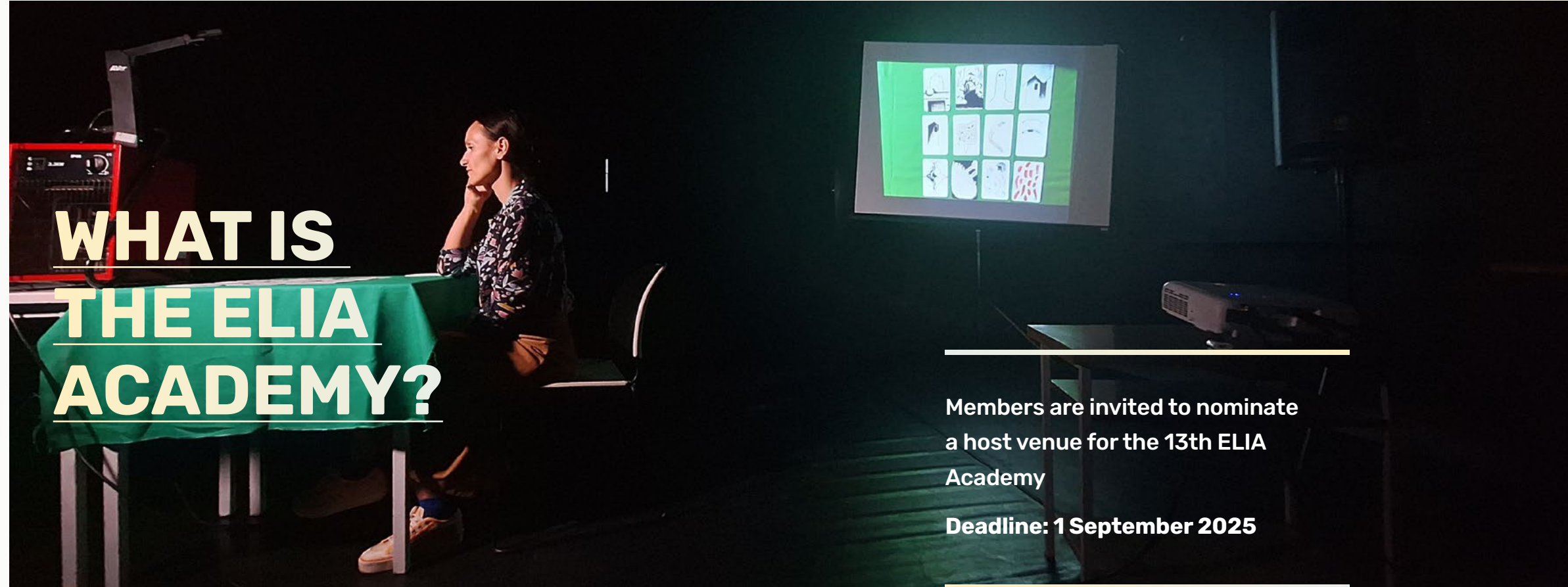


NOMINATION FOR VENUES

HOST ELIA ACADEMY 2027





WHAT IS THE ELIA ACADEMY?

Members are invited to nominate
a host venue for the 13th ELIA
Academy

Deadline: 1 September 2025

ELIA Academy is an energising programme of events tailored to meet the needs of 150 participants—lecturers, teaching artists, researchers, students, technicians and creative practitioners from across all artistic disciplines. Through a hands-on, three-day itinerary of workshops, lectures, performance sessions, and community gathering, the ELIA Academy facilitates meaningful exchange of resilient pedagogies, innovative and sustainable practices, and artistic research.

Designed to empower educators in higher arts education, ELIA Academy encourages active participation and peer learning across cultures and disciplines. The programme invites diverse voices to engage in settings—ranging from creative labs and debates to city explorations and cultural tours—embodying the ethos of collaborative learning and inclusive exchange.

Each edition of the Academy is hosted by an ELIA member institution, offering a unique opportunity to showcase its staff, students, research, and creative output to ELIA's extensive international network of over 290 member institutions. In doing so, the host contributes to shaping the evolving landscape of arts education and gains enhanced visibility and engagement at a European and global level.

WHY HOST THE ELIA ACADEMY

Showcase your institution to an international network of over 290 ELIA members—highlighting your pedagogical vision, research, and creative output.

- Position your school at the centre of global exchange in higher arts education and shape emerging conversations in the field.

- Curate part of the Academy's programme, offering a platform to present your unique academic strengths, cultural context, and local artistic ecosystem.
- Strengthen international visibility and reputation, supporting international partnerships, and institutional development.

For more information, please visit the ELIA Academy website:

elia-artschools.org/page/ELIAAcademies

HOSTING THE ELIA ACADEMY

As a host of the ELIA Academy, you will be guided through an explorative co-creation process, actively driving and participating in developing an innovative programme, fostering pedagogic development and nurturing valuable international connections across the higher arts education sector.



The ELIA Academy takes pride in bringing together both international and local experts, practitioners in teaching and learning. Together with the steering group, the host institution initiates the theme of the ELIA Academy, co-develops the programme, and formulates the call for contributions (the portal through which Academy sessions from ELIA members are proposed).

Not only will you play a key role in the selection process, but you will be encouraged to experiment and innovate with regards to the programme flow and formats. As event technology advances, and with the aim of making ELIA Academy more accessible, it is expected that future editions of the ELIA Academy adopt some type of hybrid form.



The host will be responsible for arranging the venues, organising logistics, securing national and local funding and sponsorship, and managing local/national promotion and PR.

The ELIA Office will take care of organising the programme, communications, reporting, recruitment and registration of participants.

Although the organisation of the ELIA Academy requires a sizeable in-kind investment of time and work by the host's team, bear in mind that it also offers a valuable opportunity for team development and learning within your institution.

The organisation of the event is a joint venture.

The ELIA Academy also provides an opportunity for student engagement and direct exchange between the teaching staff and students.

ELIA is committed to minimising the ecological footprint of its events, which affects the areas of travel, accommodation, venue, catering and materials produced and supplied. The host will be asked to follow the event environmental guidelines and be ready to develop and implement an environmental sustainability plan for the ELIA Academy together with the ELIA Office.

ELIA is committed to advancing social justice, raising awareness within the sector and beyond, regarding the complex and intersectional aspects of anti-discrimination. Making events more accessible and inclusive is a key priority.

PREVIOUS ELIA ACADEMY EDITIONS

- 2003** Barcelona, Spain | Hosted by the Institut del Teatre
- 2005** Rotterdam, Netherlands | Hosted by Codarts
- 2007** Brighton, UK | Hosted by the University of Brighton
- 2009** Sofia, Bulgaria | Hosted by the National Academy for Theater and Film Arts
- 2011** Porto, Portugal | Hosted by PPI, Escola Superior de Musica e Artes do Espectáculo
- 2013** Utrecht, Netherlands | Hosted by the University of the Arts Utrecht
- 2015** Tilburg, Netherlands | Hosted by Fontys Hogescholen
- 2017** London, UK | Hosted by Central Saint Martins, University of the Arts London
- 2019** Stuttgart, Germany | Hosted by Stuttgart State Academy of Art and Design and State University of Music and the Performing Arts Stuttgart
- 2021/22** Brussels, Belgium + Online | Hosted by LUCA School of Arts and KU Leuven Faculty of Architecture.
- 2023** Évora, Portugal | Hosted by School of the Arts, University of Évora



ELIA is currently preparing the 12th edition of the Academy. The 2025 Academy will be hosted by **Kristiania University of Applied Sciences** and will take place in Oslo, Norway from 18 – 20 June 2025.

BUDGET

Before the planning begins, ELIA and the host institution will settle on an agreement. The budget will be jointly signed off and is estimated at **€153.000**. It is guaranteed that ELIA will raise a percentage of this amount through participation fees. The remaining amount will be raised by the host institution, most of which generally comes from 'in-kind' contributions, as well as financial support from governmental and local authorities.



NOMINATION GUIDELINES

To nominate your institution, please write an application which includes the following information:

1. An explanation of your motivation to host the ELIA Academy 2027
2. Information about the city in which your institution is situated (its location relative to international transportation hubs, airports or train stations; tourist activities & attractions nearby, etc.)
3. Information about the venue (capacity, flexibility, technical facilities, hotels in the vicinity, environmental guidelines)
4. Possible financial support or partnerships necessary to develop the project (please refer to possible funding options for the €125.000 contribution, the rest of the amount is gathered through the participation fees)

For more information, please contact Janja Škerget, ELIA Conference Manager, at janja.skerget@elia-artschools.org

Please email your expression of interest to host the ELIA Academy 2027 to ELIA Executive Director Maria Hansen at maria.hansen@elia-artschools.org

Deadline for nominations: 1 September 2025

SELECTION PROCEDURE

The Executive Group will make a preliminary decision regarding the venue for the ELIA Academy that will be endorsed by the Representative Board.

Check out these videos from previous ELIA Academy editions:

[ELIA Academy 2023 in Évora](#)

[ELIA Academy 2019 in Stuttgart](#)

[ELIA Academy 2017 in London](#)

Position your institution at the forefront of international knowledge exchange in higher arts education— host ELIA Academy.