

## LANDSCAPE TOGETHER IS SET TO INAUGURATE A 4-YEAR LONG CULTURAL PROJECT FROM THE MUSEU EXPERIMENTA PAISAGEM (MEP).

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Landscape Together, a European project led by the Marques de Aguiar team (MAG) and funded by Creative Europe, will be inaugurated on May 26<sup>th</sup> by the Minister for Territorial Cohesion, Ana Abrunhosa, with the presence of the Coordinating Commission of the Centre Region, the Centre Region Culture Office, Turismo Centro de Portugal, and the 5 partner Municipalities - Idanha-a-Nova, Oleiros, Pedrógão Grande, Proença-a-Nova and Sertã.

Landscape Together's first activity will occur in Portugal from June 2<sup>nd</sup> to June 4<sup>th</sup>. It will gather 45 participants, including representatives of international entities, local inhabitants and associations, and the National Culture Centre in an event launching the project throughout the 5 municipalities. Landscape Together aims to promote the inner central region as an international destination for contemporary art by implementing several cultural and artistic projects of the MEP (Museu Experimenta Paisagem) for a duration of four years.







































The MEP is a museum without walls, free of access for the integrated experience of enjoyment of contemporary creation and cultural landscapes of this region. Located in the inner regions of Portugal, the MEP's long-term goal is to contribute to the sustainable development of the inland territories. To achieve this, the MEP has as curatorial model based on past achievements, including the anchor projects Cortiçada Art Fest and Roteiro das Linhas de Água, executed between 2019 and 2021 by MAG of the first 5 artworks in MEP's landscape - in a co-creation process with Sofia Marques de Aguiar, the Cultural Trail of Menina dos Medos, the first Cortiçada Art Fest, and the Experimenta Paisagem Encounters at the Centro Nacional de Cultura.

Visitors at the launch of Landscape Together will have the opportunity to enjoy the various dimensions of the MEP. Starting on June 2<sup>nd</sup>, the event will reunite partners of the project in Pedrógão Grande during the first session. The day will end in a lounge in the Ribeira de Oleiros with a display of one of the first works of the MEP called Moongate.

On June 3rd, after the visit to the <u>Véu</u> in Sertã, the <u>Farol dos Ventos</u> in Serra das Talhadas, and the centre of Chão de Galego with local guide João Caetano, the project partners will enjoy a lunch of traditional delicacies prepared by Restaurante da Catraia, alongside the inhabitants of Chão de Galego and the group of "Sunday Stroll" from the National Culture Centre, with Maria Calado and Anísio Franco. In addition, a set of creative challenges in the old primary school will be presented, followed by a live broadcast by RFM (the project's media partner).

During the afternoon, the project will have its first Creative Talk in Cunqueiros near Magmacellar (Proença-a-Nova), which will bring together Laura Castro (art critic and director of DRCN) and Debbie Hillyerd (Director of the Educational Programme of the international gallery Hauser & Wirth) to talk about "Art and appropriation of Places".

The talk will be open to the public. "We invite everyone to participate! The first Creative Talk, on Saturday June 3rd is intended for everyone in the region, in particular teachers, library employees, museum teams, students, cultural agents, artists, locals, visitors, and any lovers of the central region". Snacks and





























entertainment will be provided by the Recreational and Cultural Association of Cunqueiros, thanks to Marta Aguiar, the promoter of Landscape Together. The event ends with a working session in Idanha-a-Nova, near the site where the new permanent work of art will be built. After a short walk, the group will finish their activities near the Fountain of Salvaterra do Extremo.

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