

**Volunteer report by Dayana Bergamini Jofre**  
**European solidarity corps volunteer at Tanz Die Toleranz**  
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My name is Dayana Bergamini Jofre, I'm from Mallorca and in March 2023 I started my one year volunteering. I had never heard about ESC and the opportunities that the European Union gives beyond the Erasmus connected to studies, but just before I turned 31 I found out about it and it was clear to me that I wanted to try my last chance.

Although I am an Education major, art has always been very important to me and I wanted to be able to do something related to it for once in my life. I am also planning to study Art Therapy in the future and I wanted to learn German for a long time, so Tanz Die Toleranz in Austria seemed to be the right choice for me.

Austria welcomed me from the first minute and I knew that this was going to be my place, so even though a year has passed it feels like only 5 months have passed. The city is beautiful, if you like art it is full of opportunities and festivals all summer long and in winter if you like to stay indoors the craft plans are the best. On the other hand Austria is in the middle of Europe so you can travel everywhere as long as you have time. Volunteering also gives you a flat and an allowance for the basics, which is a great opportunity to start somewhere new and learn a language.

You also meet a lot of people, improve your English, learn a new language, face new adventures, get to know new places in Austria, like for example in your mid-term training in Salzburg, one of the best experiences I can remember. I have only good words for this experience, because for me it has been something that has changed my life, to the point that I am moving here and I don't know when I will come back home. If I had to talk to someone who is thinking about starting this experience I would say GO FORWARD, that these things happen only once in a lifetime and you don't lose anything by trying. I imagine you won't regret it!



