

Project: "A film with a thousand and one colours"

Non-profit organisation: "Mille et Une Couleurs", created in 1996

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Project goal

To produce a film about the *Mille et Une Couleurs* bus, which for 10 years has been organising artistic workshops with the help of artists for parents and very young children in various Toulouse neighbourhoods and in isolated villages in the Haute Garonne region.

Presentation of the project

Non-profit organisation "Mille et Une Couleurs" uses a bus to play a key role in encounters between children, parents and artists. The organisation works in favour of the democratisation of art and seeks to make artistic activities accessible to all. It seeks to combat discrimination and to encourage underprivileged people to discover new horizons.

The organisation caters for children from birth to 2 years and offers their mothers a place to meet others and exchange views.

The parents, in the company of their children, can experiment with a different kind of world in the bus and give free rein to their creativity.

The organisation would like to produce a film as a way of bearing witness to its action. It is keen to communicate about its work and expand it to include more people and places. The film will be produced in 200 copies in the form of a DVD, with the aim of promoting the activity of the bus in as wide a social and cultural arena as possible.

Involvement of parents / mentors

Given the very young age of the children catered for, they are naturally accompanied by a parent, grandparent or professional carer, etc. The bus travels to where the families live and places the child-parent relationship at the heart of its action.

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Funding: The Foundation grant will be used to produce the film "Aux mille et une couleurs" (a thousand and one colours).

Grant awarded for 2007: **€9,000** (= 50% of the project budget)

Human resources: Help to maintain and decorate the bus and assist the organisation in setting up its website.