MANIFESTA 15
Barcelona
Metropolitana
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# Annexe 2 — Focus Weeks, Manifesta 15 Mobile Venue and Manifesta 15+

Manifesta 15 prioritises local voices and creates a network across the metropolitan region as a part of a long-term legacy of the biennial through a variety of programme made with and for the community: *Focus Weeks*, the *Manifesta 15 Mobile Venue* and the *Manifesta 15* + programme.

## Focus Weeks

Manifesta 15 Barcelona Metropolitana introduces a new element: the *Focus Week*, a complementary programme that places each participating city in the spotlight per week. Allowing the Manifesta 15 participating cities to showcase their cultural power, each *Focus Week* will host special events, exhibitions and activities for its citizens including a celebratory moment to mark the beginning of the week in the presence of their cultural scene and prominent stakeholders.

During the *Focus Weeks*, citizens will be informed, amongst other programmatic elements, about the outcomes of the Metropolitan Assembly conducted during the pre-biennial phase and involving 60 participants from across the region. This assembly explored new avenues for governance and democratic processes within cultural policies in Catalonia.

*For more information about Focus Weeks and timings, please follow this link.*

## Manifesta 15 Mobile Venue

To symbolise the growing need for interconnectedness and mobility in between the metropolitan cities, Manifesta 15 has created a mobile structure designed by the Institute for Advanced Architecture of Catalonia (IAAC), built by students from IAAC, which will host a programme linking the 11 metropolitan participating cities. Programmed by Manifesta 15 and the local municipalities, this nomadic travelling space, entitled the *Manifesta 15 Mobile Venue*, will be located in the main square of each municipality during their *Focus Week,* providing an open-air platform for various activities such as educational initiatives, Family Days, workshops, mediated tours, talks and performances.

The *Manifesta 15 Mobile Venue* also reflects the fundamental values that the biennial promotes, such as environmental responsibility in the eco-social transition by using sustainable, recycled materials. It also develops the concepts of mobility and decentralisation through its innovative design. This approach not only fulfils practical functions to con-

nect the different cities, but also intends to actively involve residents in the cultural activities of their region

## Manifesta 15 +

*Manifesta 15* + is an additional programme organised by each municipality which will amplify the cultural offer during the biennial days. The programme is conceptualised and executed by the artistic representatives of the metropolitan municipalities, leading to an interdisciplinary array of projects. These activities will include concerts, exhibitions, festivals, screenings and more, highlighting the region's rich and diverse cultural heritage. Additionally, *Manifesta 15* + will heighten the overall Manifesta 15 programme, consolidating its impact during each *Focus Week.*

## Mobility throughout the region

To promote sustainable mobility across the metropolitan region, Manifesta 15 has established collaborations with several transportation companies, including Ferrocarrils de la Generalitat de Catalunya (FGC), Renfe, Transports Metropolitans de Barcelona (TMB) and TRAM. The goal is to encourage the use of public transport for visiting the various cities and venues of the biennial. These operators will partner with Manifesta 15 to inform users about the schedule of activities and the proximity of different stations to the biennial venues. Alternatively, Manifesta 15 advises visitors to travel using green mobility, such as electric cars or bicycles. Most importantly, Manifesta 15 invites its visitors to choose from different thematic parcours or routes, published during the biennial on the website, to navigate through the programme more easily, especially when limited in time.

**Notes for the editors:**
Manifesta 15 Barcelona Metropolitana 2024 is co-initiated by the Municipality of Barcelona and the International Foundation Manifesta. Additional public partners are the Diputació de Barcelona, the Generalitat de Catalunya and Ministerio de Cultura y Deporte.

**Tickets:**
Manifesta 15 will have a single ticket price of €15, valid for the entire duration of the biennial at the three leed venues: Casa Gomis, the Monastery of Sant Cugat, and The Three Chimneys. Discounts will also be available. Admission to all other venues will be free. Tickets are currently on sale on the Manifesta 15 website.

**Click here** to get your tickets.

**Press Accreditation:**
To attend our Press Preview Days (from the 5th of September to the 7th of September 2024), we kindly ask you to accredit on our website by filling in the required fields for press before the 15th of July 2024. Please note that from the 8th of September, all journalists will have free access to the venues during the entire biennial period through presenting their press card.

**Click here** to access the press accreditation process.

**Press Kit:**
Click on **this link.**

**Press Release:**
27th of June 2024

**Annexe 1:**
Manifesta 15 Full Participant List

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Manifesta 15 Focus Weeks,
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