"68' years : a global/ local social movement" : one travelling exhibition project

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La Cité des mémoires étudiantes

Created on International Students’ Day November 17, 2008, is an association for the *preservation* and *promotion* of documentary and archival sources of French student movements, whatever their material support (paper, audiovisual, digital) or type of producer (structures, mobilisations, militants).

*Our work is both national and international in scope!*
Preservation

The resources and archives of student life are fragile and in constant danger of destruction. Thus the records of student movements, already fragile, scattered and ephemeral, are in even greater danger of being lost to posterity.

* We also collect audio-visual archives (photos and videos) of student events (notably congresses and mobilisations) and internet sites of representative movements.

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Thursday, September 8
Promotion

Publications (often in cooperation with the national network)
--Seminars or colloquiums with presentation of archives in relation to a chosen theme
--Exhibitions, physical or virtual, permanent or occasional
Working on Memory (workshops “Archives of Student Memory”)

We intend to organise a promotional event (exhibition and/or colloquium) once a year!
For several years we have been experimenting with renting out travelling exhibitions. Three exhibitions of eleven to fifteen panels are currently circulating among universities and communities, one on the theme of student health, the other one on French students and the Algerian War, and the last one on the international political student’s engagement.
About 68...

68 can't be reduced to the month of May, not even to the year of 1968. In France, some historians talk about 68' years (« lungo sessantotto » in Italian). It began with the end of the Algerian War and, its aftermath lasted up to the end of the 1970s".
A global social movement

Socially, 68 can't be reduced to the student movement, even if, like us, it would be considered like a full social movement. Other parts of the youth were mobilized, but also workers from services or industry... And peasants ! But also Medias, artists, managers...
Our centers, our documents... Our project?

Our archives / documentation centers are full of documents about this period... In Europe.... And all over the world!

March of the One Hundred Thousand, 26 June 1968, Rio de Janeiro
Our responsibilities

68 was a global movement with local specificities... We have a social, patrimonial and scientific responsibility to make known these histories and memories to the younger generations... That's why we propose to work together about an international project of exhibition. For the European members of IALHI, we propose to work for an EU's proposal.
Thank you for your attention!

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