

No Place Like Home: Stories of Queer/LGTBQ+ Displacement and Belonging

As part of a Creative Europe supported Project, [Moving Classic Sonic Flux](#), exploring European stories of Displacement, this project aims to explore queer/gay displacement across Europe.

Throughout time and place gay people have been, due to their identity, driven from their original homes and places they come from, often to pursue safer places seeking acceptance in new Homes. This project aims to explore histories of gay displacements through letters written by participants across Europe which then will inspire new sonic/visual short film with poetic nuances to further help its audience understand peoples' desires and fundamental need for a sense of home and belonging.

We want to hear your story about Home and Belonging!

Through Legato's network we are looking for participants to take part in the project and would like to ask each person to hand write a letter. We want to explore the authentic stories of what HOME means to you, where you are today, how it has changed and how to navigate the different meanings put into the concepts of Home and Belonging. For an LGBTQ+ person the meaning of home can be very different and can develop in a way that has to be noticed and understood.

Participants from:

Iceland + Ukraine + Poland + UK

The Letter

2 pages - handwritten Imagined letter addressed to one of the following:

- Your 14 year old self
- Your Parents
- The house you grew up in

Filming - We would like to ask participants to film the following on their phone (pref. landscape)

- Of you writing the letter
- Your home
- An item significant to your home and explain why



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Artists:

Once the project has received the letters we will carefully take in all your stories and use them to inspire a new short artists musical film. This will be attentively done by our experienced and specially selected artists:

- Michael Betteridge : Composer and Conductor of The Sunday Boys
<https://www.movingclassicssonicflux.com/michael-betteridge>
<https://britishmusiccollection.org.uk/composer/michael-betteridge>
- Jez Dolan: Visual Artist based in Manchester
<https://www.movingclassicssonicflux.com/jez-dolan>
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Project Manager:

- Agusta Thorarinsdottir - Creative Producer
www.curatedplace.com

Disclaimer:

In partnership with LEGATO we aim to find interested participants to take part and send us their letters and film/photos. Once we've identified participants we will send a link to upload information. Full confidentiality will be upheld and if at any time participants would like to retrieve their letters and information we will of course make sure no data is stored or used. We understand that we are asking for personal information and will treat all information and data with the utmost respect.

