

EDUCATION and public projects: first steps, first successes

Lately, the National Heritage Institute has struggled to improve the current passive approach of the Czech population to the cultural heritage through numerous educational activities, largely accessible to public.

Currently, these activities are based on the comprehensive methodological system "Heritage is fun". During four years of development, 30,000 people attended educational courses on state-owned castles and chateaus. The National Heritage Institute was awarded for this successful project with the EUROPA NOSTRA 2017 Award by the European Union.

In addition to children, the National Heritage Institute also focuses on seniors with the courses within the Third Age University system; craftsmen who need more profound knowledge of their professions; owners of the heritage sites; and project designers, master builders and others who want to learn about the traditional ways of reconstruction of the heritage sites. Also invited are the representatives of town halls and regional authorities who affect the quality of preservation activities through their statements. Everything is based on the internal and interdisciplinary meetings of representatives of educational institutions and preservationists.

The educational programs of the National Heritage Institute aim at educating the broad public towards the respect for national legacy that's contained in the heritage sites, and towards the understanding that heritage is an important value worth knowing, preserving and developing.

