

Kulturhauz, Torun - <http://kulturhauzhostel.com/>



The Foundation “Factory UTU” and “ Warehouse of good changes” are group of people who want to activate the community by initiating and carrying out the activities of cultural, artistic, social and civil rights. This is the only social cooperative in Toruń. They actively operate in the field of anthropology, visual and audible, in the area of culture - design and implementing the project nature of art, education with emphasis on participation, the revitalization of social, cultural, anti- discrimination. They are also in favor of disadvantaged groups, informal education and support tasks in the field of sustainable development, integration and social economy.

They have created a collective social company that joins a hostel and a culture centre. They want to make business but also to promote balanced development value and art potential of the city. They employed 5 people who were excluded, especially artists of visual art after graduated studies. They got support from City Hall of Toruń – place, and from UE funding - money for making new workplaces. For one year they get 1.500 zł (330 €) additional money for every employee (Marshal Office). After this time they have to run business without external support. They give 20% of their income for the founding statute.

People who come to Toruń and need modern, inspired, friendly place with no notice. Kulturhauz hostel is popular among artists and activists. All rooms at hostel are mixed and flexible arranged. You can also come with your beddings staff and negotiate a price for night. There is also a place for common work – rather small workshop room.

- KH situated in downtown Toruń, designed by artists
- serves only vegetarian food
- sorting and recycling household waste,
- follow the principles of slow movement
- use product do not tested on animals
- have gardens with herbs and plants
- kids friendly place
- they offer special discounts for the culture sector, NGO’s and grassroots initiatives
- they organize cultural events and workshops for kids
- popularize non formal learning tools