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Digital tools for creativity boost and self-expression

The table below lists free, safe digital tools for creative workshops and events. Sorted by use-case, these tools allow various creative tasks like making graphics or podcasts. They're also categorised by device compatibility and whether they support individual or collaborative use.

Visual arts

Tool name	Description	Cultural activity use case ideas	Collaborative creation and editing	Registration / Log in	Payment plan	Website/ Mobile app
Europeana	***Discover Europe's digital cultural heritage!*** European digital library that brings together already digitised contributions from various institutions in the twenty-seven member states of the European Union in thirty languages. It includes books, films, paintings, newspapers, sound archives, maps, manuscripts and archives.	Workshops in which memes or funny photomontages based on public domain artworks images.	No	Yes	Free	Website

Google Arts and Culture	**Admire art from all over the world!** Allows browsing and interacting with artworks and cultural artefacts from multiple partner cultural organisations. It offers various VR tours and AR experiences (mobile version).	Using VR tours during online workshops, creativity boost while playing with AR mobile features	No	No (when used as a browsing site) / Yes (when used for creation)	Free	Website / iOS and Android mobile app (with additional AR features)
Padlet	**Create and brainstorm together!** A digital board for collaboration **Options:** ● Create and share a common project with editing options. ● Post video files, text documents and files, posts and comments in real time. ● Maps and timeline creation.	Usable for both online and offline activities for collaborative drawing, writing keywords, brainstorming sessions, maps and timelines creation.	Yes	Yes (for the educator but participants use it as guests)	Freemium (up to 3 free Padlets) + Paid plan	Website/ Mobile (iOS, Android)
Ikonate	**Free vector icons for your designs!** An adaptable set of optimised, accessible SVG icons to develop and design apps or a new presentation	Customising a presentation with graphics and icons.	No	No	Free	Website

Storytelling

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Knight Lab	**Tell stories with words and maps!** Enhances online journalism: anyone can create interactive timelines, before-after images, incorporate audio to articles, create story maps.	Creating local heritage maps, history timelines, before and after images.	Yes	No	Free	Website

Twine	**Create an interactive and nonlinear story!** Allows the creation of interactive fiction. It helps to make plots and scenarios following the model of the text adventure, writing adventures based on variables and conditional logic ("if... then...").	Workshops on narrative plots for games or books.	No	No	Free	Website
Ekostudio	**Create interactive film** Lets you make videos with different options for what the viewer can see next. You can switch between video streams to change the story or viewpoint.	Interactive storytelling for video-editing activities	No	Yes	Free	Website (mobile version is only for watching)
Pixamotion	**Create your GIF!** Allows the creation of short videos and living photos in motion. Allows the creation of animated GIFS, loop videos using still images, and sharing creative visual stories on social media.	Creating moving photos, live wallpapers, moving backgrounds and themes with animation effects to their stories.	Yes	No	Freemium/ Pro	Mobile app only (iOs, Android)

Photo and video editing

Tool name	Description	Cultural activity use case ideas	Collaborative creation and editing	Registration / Log in	Plan	Website/ Mobile app
Openshot	**Start creating creative videos.** Easy-to-use video editor with support for Linux, Mac, and Windows systems.	Short-form video creation classes.	Yes	Yes	Free	Software needs to be downloaded to the computer.
Loveimg Meme Generator	**Make everyone laugh with a meme!**	Workshop about creating art mems	No	No	Free	Website

	This tool allows creating and sharing memes online, based on uploaded photos or images.	based on old paintings or photos				
InShot	*Like a professional video!* InShot is an easy-to-use, powerful mobile video editor and movie maker, which allows adding music, text and stickers to video.	Easy video editing activities with music and sound effects.	Yes	No/Yes	Freemium/ Pro	Mobile (iOS, Android)
FilmoraGo	*Make a movie!* It is an easy-to-use video editor and movie maker with multiple features: video trimming, adding music, transition effects, text, emoji and filters to create incredible videos in minutes.	Quick video editing workshops for more advanced users.	No	No	Freemium/ Pro	Website (paid version only) / Mobile app (freemium, Android and iOS)
Wirewax	*Evolve your video with interactive features!* Tools automatically make the videos interactive. Also allows creating branching videos that allow users to decide the path of a story.	Workshop with video storytelling; multi-camera 360 videos; multi-stream alternatives.	No	Yes	Free	Website
Mad Mapper	*Made by artists for artists!* Software dedicated to artists for video mapping and projections, LED installations and laser shows.	Video-mapping workshops or events including video-mapping.	No	No	Free /Paid	Website

Digital art

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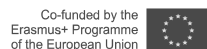| PIXLR	**Be creative with photos!!** Online photo editor that offers a wide range of tools and features for creating and editing photos.	Edit old photos. Create a social media post or an advertisement.	No	Yes	Freemium / Premium	Website
Canva	**Infinite design tool!** Multilingual graphic design platform to create graphics, leaflets, presentations, animations. Includes hundreds ready-made templates and free assets.	Workshop on poster design or animation.	Yes	Yes	Free/ Paid	Website/ Mobile
PicMonkey	**Make a comic!** Digital painting software that is popular among artists and illustrators. It offers a wide range of tools and features for creating digital art, such as brushes, layers, filters, and more.	Storytelling workshops with comic elements.	No	Yes	Free trial/ Paid	Website

AI-based tools

Tool name	Description	Cultural activity use case ideas	Collaborative creation and editing	Registration / Log in	Plan	Website/ Mobile app
ChatGTP	**Your digital helper!** AI based chatbot tool, which can help in creating intriguing stories or generating ideas.	Storytelling, poetry, song or scenario writing workshops for creativity boost.	No	Yes	Free/ Pro	Website
Dall -E	**Let's create!** Generate digital images from natural language descriptions, called "prompts". Allows creating so-called "outpainting" - adding background outside the original picture frame.	Quick creativity boost, play with old photos and paintings to see what is "behind".	No	Yes	Free	Website

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Futuretools.io	*Find your perfect AI tools!* The website organises and collects the best existing AI tools that emerge everyday.	AI introductory workshops; creativity and digital skills boost.	No	No	The website is free, however some apps mentioned there are paid.	Website

Games and gamification

Tool name	Description	Cultural activity use case ideas	Collaborative creation and editing	Registration/ Log in	Plan	Website/ Mobile app
MyMaps	*Your workshop will be exciting with the mapping in it!* MyMaps allows creating custom maps on top of Google Maps. You can add placemarks, photos, videos and text labels, draw lines and shapes. New maps can be shared via public URL, embed on websites.	Making a quiz or a game based on Google Maps and sharing it with others.	Yes	Yes	Free	Website
Kahoot	*Spark curiosity about the new topic!* An online game-based learning platform that offers user-generated multiple-choice quizzes, called kahoots.	Creativity boost, quiz creating workshops	Yes	Yes (only the author of the quiz has to register)	Free	Website / mobile (iOS, Android)
Puzzle.org	*Dive into knowledge!* A place where educators can infinitely assemble online puzzles and create new ones from their own pictures.	Adding puzzles to any kind of cultural activity will be helpful.	No	No	Free	Website
Musee Dezentral	*Let's go to the virtual museum!* It is a gigantic virtual museum with extremely well-kept spaces, with exhibitions of digital works and NFTs.	Workshop with virtual visit component.	No	No	Free	Website

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Music and sound

Tool name	Description	Cultural activity use case ideas	Collaborative creation and editing	Registration/ Log in	Plan	Website/ Mobile app
MuseNet	***Discover rhythm and style!*** Tool based on deep neural network that can generate up to 4-minute musical compositions with 10 different instruments, combining styles from Mozart to the Beatles.	Melody creation with the use of AI.	No	No	Free	Website
Rave.dj	***Remix music and create mash-ups!*** The tool allows users to mix and mashup songs and playlists from YouTube and Spotify for free using the world's first AI-based DJ.	Self-expression and creativity boost with music and soundtrack creation.	No	No	Free	Website
Audacity	***Record and remix the sound!*** Multi-track audio editor and recorder for advanced users. It works on Windows, macOS, GNU/Linux operating systems.	Workshop on podcasting or oral history (editing previously recorded tracks)	No	No	Free	Software needs to be downloaded to the computer.

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