

The International Society for Education through Art (InSEA): Institutional support on the manifesto launched by the art education teachers in the Spanish universities.

We deplore any reduction in the provision of art education and training at any level, either in schools, universities, colleges, museums or informal 'third sector', community contexts. There has never been a time when the arts are so important in promoting not only critical thinking and creativity but empathy, inclusion and understanding. At a time when the socio-political situation around the world is so unpredictable, when climate change is perhaps the biggest threat to civilisation, when conflict reigns, we need art educators, artists and scientists to work together to seek solutions and find new ways of supporting our economies, but more importantly, societies. Education through art is one powerful way of addressing some serious issues facing the world. Do not undermine the great work of many creative people over the years.

Do not deny future generations the arts education that will be central in building an effective, responsible, creative and inclusive society.

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