

VALPARAISO COMMUNITY



INTO THE
WOODS



Who are we?

The Valparaiso pirates are a ship-based community of artists and travellers who are passionate about sustainability and believe in a people-centric marketplace.

We make installations and concepts that bring this vision to festivals. The tipi and the ship are unique venues that we offer as part of an experience where people can be submerged in a different world and no longer feel like visitors, but part of our community.

As pirates of the Valparaíso, we believe that everyone has something to share: culture, experiences, skills and knowledge. We don't raid, loot or wreck, but collaborate to create change.

Our foundation is about creating innovative and sustainable solutions to challenge mainstream consumer culture, while providing a bold, alternative way of thinking about trade and economics.

To us, this is the real essence of piracy; the courage to branch out from established societal norms to explore and create progressive and exciting pathways.

Stories and experiences are what make each of us who we are, and sharing them is what brings us together in this journey of combined human consciousness.

What do we do?

VALPARAISO BOAT

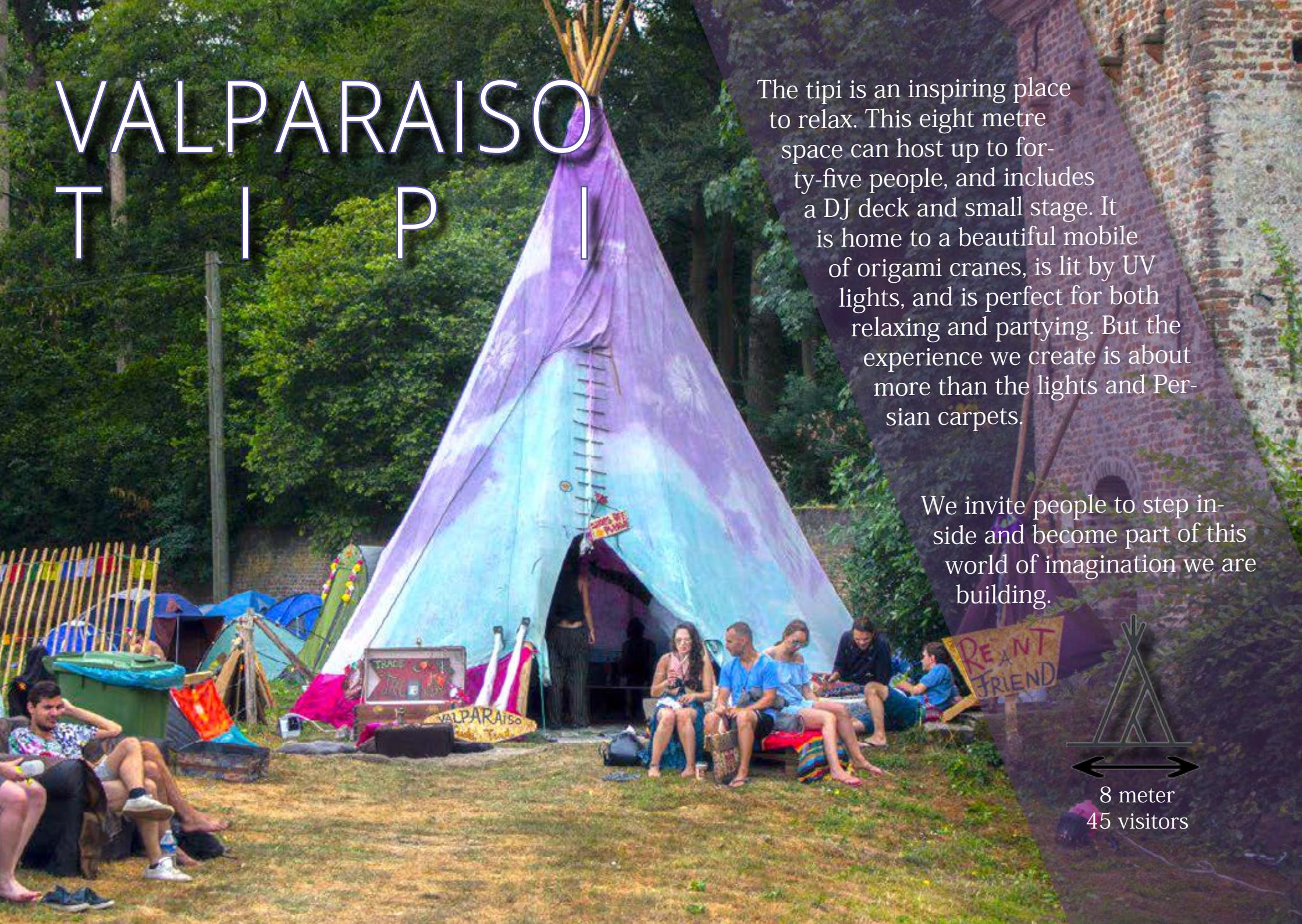
An aerial photograph of a large crowd gathered on a beach and in the water around a large, partially submerged boat. The boat has a red canopy with a white star and a white stage area. The water is a light blue-green color.

Deck and doors are thrown open. Visitors are welcomed in and invited to create their own place in the history of this 100-year old boat. We are a floating world of magic, a Fata Morgana on the water.

The top deck is a lounge draped with blankets and pillows, and the ship also hosts a DJ booth and small stage. This wildly popular venue can be reached by small boat or by swimming. It is usually moored in

Amsterdam, as the hub of our creative community, but with a crane it can be put on long-distance transport.

VALPARAISO TIPI



The tipi is an inspiring place to relax. This eight metre space can host up to forty-five people, and includes a DJ deck and small stage. It is home to a beautiful mobile of origami cranes, is lit by UV lights, and is perfect for both relaxing and partying. But the experience we create is about more than the lights and Persian carpets.

We invite people to step inside and become part of this world of imagination we are building.



8 meter
45 visitors

CONCEPTS

We offer several concepts at our venues. What we bring depends on what you think is relevant to your visitors, your vibe and your vision.

Have a browse, and then take your pick and let us know which ones you would like us to prepare.





Stories are at the core of what we do as pirates. The New Pirate economy trades treasures for stories, building an economy founded on personal relationships rather than financial worth.

Our chest full of wonders is always open for browsing. Should our visitors find an item that they want, they are invited to share a part of themselves as payment by telling us a story. Whether it's their personal story of love or loss, or a fictional tale full of laughter and light, we accept all people and all payments. We are currently developing an app that can link together all the stories that we have shared with each other.

NEW PIRATE ECONOMY

RENT A FRIEND

Ever lost a friend at a festival?
It happens to all of us. Now
you don't have to be alone -
you can rent a friend!

If you need help finding your
lost friends, or your lost
keys, or you just don't want
to go to a dance alone, we
have lots of friends in stock
that you can rent for free!

They come equipped with
an alarm clock, and return
automatically when it goes
off!

Our visitors are also invited
to put themselves up to rent.
Festivals are amazing places
to meet people, and what
better way to make new
friends?





Visitors to Suzanne's art studio are often asked to paint a piece of paper, which she then transforms into origami cranes.

Over the years this had grown into a substantial flock of unique, hand-painted birds that radiates with the various souls that have contributed to it.

This year, we are asking visitors to join in, painting their own pieces of paper to become part of this art installation and centrepiece that represents the beautiful things we can achieve through connection and community.

ORIGAMI CRANE INSTALLATIONS



STUDIO ALLEGONDA

GLOW IN THE DARK DATING

A woman with her face and body painted with glowing, fluorescent makeup in various colors like blue, green, yellow, and red. She is standing in a dark room, and the light from the makeup creates a vibrant, colorful glow against the black background. The overall atmosphere is mysterious and futuristic.

Ever tried dating in the dark? With our quizmaster deciding the rhythm of the night, all extra lights are off and all the glow in the dark makeup is on.

Inspiring luminous connections in unique spaces under the romance of black lighting, it will make a great 'how we met' story in years to come.

People will choose coloured bands to wear based on their dating preferences – purple for women, blue for men, and white for non-binary people. If they have no preferences, they can wear all three!



SECRET STAGE

Our DJ stage is a platform for emerging artists and hidden gems. We select our DJ's carefully and make sure the music fits the vibe of the festival and our space.

Depending on the program the DJ will play down tempo music or music that it will make it impossible for you to stand still!

The intimate atmosphere makes sure this secret stage will be something all visitors will remember. Our doors are always open to new opportunities, new connections, and new experiences.



Kevin Valentine

MOBILE MERMAID

Normal mermaids don't do too well out of water. They just flop around and flap their fins, and you have to come to see them. But the mermaid that the pirates captured is on wheels!

She is an oracle who listens to the whispers of the wind and the waves, know the stories of the sky and the sea - and the secrets of legless modes of travel.

She drives around the festival, going from stage to stage. Who better than a mythical mermaid to bring a sense of calm and normalcy to this crazy world?







CONTACTS

The Valparaiso is our floating community headquarters in Amsterdam Noord. Most of the materials we work with are reclaimed.

We take society's castaway items and breathe new life into them.

We believe that sharing stories brings people closer together.

Our international crew believe in Community, Creativity and Sustainability, and these are the values that we try to resonate with at the events we attend. It takes quite a few people to bring our concepts to life, and about half of the crew are travellers who help to prepare for and run the concepts during festivals. For more information about how many pirates we bring, or for any other questions or queries, contact us! We'd love to hear from you.

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