





#### Who is CEMPER?



#### **CEMPER**

- Centre for Music and Performing Arts Heritage
- Target area = Flanders, Belgium
- CEMPER advises, supports and guides organizations and private persons in safeguarding their music or performing arts heritage (tangible and intangible)







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- Organizations with multiannual grants within the 'Arts Flemish Parliament Act' are required to take care of their archives.
- TRACKS is a network of heritage organizations that support artists and arts organizations in that obligation.
- Toolbox now available in English and French
  - o https://www.projecttracks.be/en/
  - o https://www.projecttracks.be/fr/



# Arts Heritage Trajectory



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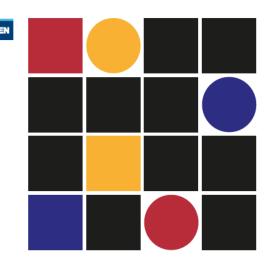
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- Conclusions:
  - Decentralized model works well for the support of artists during their careers.
  - Not every art discipline has a specialized heritage institute with a depository
    - → When artists want to transfer their archives, ad hoc solutions have to be found
  - Central coordination to align archival roles and a central depot policy would be desirable



Veldanalyse Dienstverlening Kunstenerfgoed

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  - o Guide for organizational and financial framework for artistic legacies
  - Pilot projects artistic legacies
    - lacktriangle result: digital publication in Dutch



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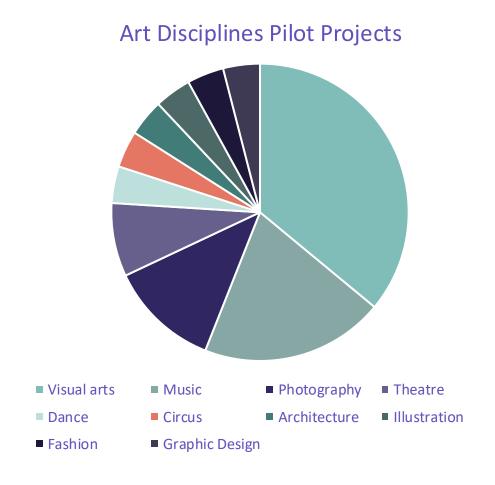


## Pilot Projects Artistic Legacies

- Temporary Grant by the Flemish Government
- Two rounds of application:
  - 02023
  - 02024
- 90 applications in total
- 25 projects granted€ 1.083.900
- Collaboration with heritage organizations encouraged



## **Diversity of Applicants**



- Applicants from various artistic disciplines
- Projects for which CEMPER has been involved:
  - □ 1 dance
  - □1 circus
  - □1 theatre
  - □ 5 music
- Involvement ranged from sounding board to coexecuting



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Arts organizations/ foundations

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- Activating the legacy
  - Podcast
  - Digital platform

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## Intervision Meetings Pilot Projects

- Projects 2023 2024
  - Mandatory meetings organized by Flemish government
- Projects 2024 2025
  - Meetings organized by heritage institutions







#### Lessons learned ...

- We want to preserve a <u>multitude of traces</u>
  - But classical heritage steps come first
- Dealing with an artistic legacy takes time
  - Many honored projects already had a heritage awareness
  - Most projects weren't finished after one year
- Dealing with an artistic legacy can be a complex process
  - Organizational and financial framework
  - Emotions
  - Copyright issues
  - Level of archival and technical know-how





#### Thank you for your attention!

# Questions? Is this recognizable? How do you deal with this (in your area)?



