



## **Lithuanian communities abroad**

As Lithuanians are scattered throughout the world, in a lot of countries they have gathered into communities, both official and unofficial groups that celebrate Lithuanian festivities, preserve our country's heritage and initiate numerous activities. [Here you will find a list of active Lithuanian communities all around the world.](#)

### [Global Lithuanian Leaders \(GLL\)](#)

GLL is a non-profit association for professional individuals that identify with Lithuania and care about its future. It coordinates and promotes collaboration between individuals from all over the world by providing virtual access to a very real community of businesspersons, scientists, government officials, civil servants, scholars, and artists—all of whom identify with Lithuania in some way. Registered participation in GLL provides access to elite professional connections, as well as priority access to Lithuanian consuls and communities around the world, invitations to private events, and involvement in programs aimed to strengthen the global position of Lithuania and shape its future.

### [We Connect Lithuania](#)

“We Connect Lithuania” is a programme organized by Global Lithuanian Leaders. Its aim is to match high potential Lithuanian youth from all over the world with leading companies, charities, social enterprises, and innovative start-ups in Lithuania for a 6 weeks period to discover the modern and innovative country. The programme creates opportunities to establish personal and professional connections. Participants engage with distinguished Lithuanian leaders from various organizations on a broad range of topics. “We Connect Lithuania” participants also have the unique opportunity to explore Lithuanian history, get to know national heroes and feel the pulse of modern-day Lithuania. The programme is designed with the focus on discovering Lithuania along with her nature and culture. Participants join the trips to the most beautiful sceneries in Lithuania as well as to country's vibrant cities. They also engage in interactive workshops, tours, outdoor team building activities and get some opportunities to take part or volunteer at the national events such as The Lithuania Song Festival, Meeting of World Lithuanian Youth and Kaunas 2022.

### [London City Lithuanian Club](#)

The club encourages the spread of social networks, organizes sport and charity events as well as discussions on various topics with business and leading politicians from Lithuania and the United Kingdom.

One of the main aims is to encourage cooperation between Lithuania's society and the members of the club.

### [Lithuanian Foundation](#)

Established in 1961, Lithuanian Foundation is a not-for-profit foundation dedicated to preserving and fostering Lithuanian culture and traditions in the United States, Lithuania and Lithuanian communities worldwide. During its 54 years of existence about 19 million dollars have been donated. The bulk of the funds were designated to the preservation of Lithuanian heritage and projects that are related to this cause: education, culture, art, science projects, public and youth events, student scholarships. With the support of the Lithuanian Fund, Lithuanian schools can continue working all around the world, Lithuanian books are being published, foreign Lithuanian parliaments are being organized, as well as various events relating to the promotions of Lithuanian culture and heritage. The fund also supports art and culture organizations and their events, celebrations, youth camps, world Lithuanian youth congresses and youth organizations, Lithuanian press and radio.

### [Lithuanian Youth Camp Dainava](#)

Camp Dainava is a camp located near Manchester, Michigan. It has been founded in 1957 as a summer campground for Lithuanian youth. Since that time, each summer has seen campers and supporters of all ages enjoying the beauty of Camp Dainava, learning about their rich Lithuanian culture, and creating lifelong friendships. These precious memories of time spent at Dainava are being passed from one generation to subsequent generations.

### [LT Big Brother Big Sister](#)

LT Big Brother Big Sister is the first and the only global voluntary professional mentoring programme for Lithuanian students around the world. The main goal of the project is to facilitate transfer of professional knowledge and experience between established Lithuanian professionals and ambitious Lithuanian students. With this goal in mind, they help fellow Lithuanians to nurture their professional skills as well as contribute towards development and creation of a better future for Lithuania.