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The Programme

APRIL - MAY 2018





What is the German YMCA in London?

Founded in 1860, the Association is one of the oldest YMCAs in London and has been part of the English YMCA movement since that time. We are also one of the largest charities with German roots operating in England and support the German-speaking and local community in a variety of ways, from organised events and programmes, assistance to individuals in crisis situations, to material and practical support for other organisations.

On the following pages you will find details of our regular programmes and events: our Parent-Toddler group, the au pair Tea Morning, the Anglo-German Circle, Schubertiade Concerts, trips and visits, and much more.

Our home has been in the Lancaster Gate, Bayswater area north of Hyde Park in central London since 1959. Here, in Craven Terrace, is our Association's centre and the Lancaster Hall Hotel. The hotel was opened in 1973 by the German YMCA and offers both the tourist and business traveller an ideal base in central London at affordable prices.



Who can take part in our programmes?

We are a Christian movement and stand for respect and freedom for all, tolerance and understanding between people of different faiths, opinions and race.

We welcome people of different Christian traditions, those of other faiths and those of none.

Although, because of our Association's heritage, the name contains "German", "Young" and "Men", we welcome anyone of any age and nationality, male and female. Our doors are open to all, members and non-members alike.

What other services do we offer?

Through our Youth Secretaries and the Programme Secretary (who is also the Association's Chaplain) we aim to give advice to individuals, to those in crisis situations and those just in need of general advice. We also offer an au pair placement service in cooperation with IN VIA and the VIJ in Germany.

We try to create a network of people who, through direct contact with each other, are able to support one another on an ongoing basis outside the activities in our centre.

Wir wünschen ein
Frohes Osterfest!
Happy Easter to
everyone!



THE
Schubert Society
OF BRITAIN

SCHUBERTIAD

THURSDAY 5TH APRIL, 19:00
Michael Rakotoarivony (baritone) &
Nigel Foster (piano) p8

SUNDAY 15TH APRIL, 15:00
Lúnó Connolly (soprano) &
Dylan Perez (piano) p8

SUNDAY 21TH MAY, 15:00
Niel Du Preez (piano) p9

VOICES IN HARMONY

Thursday 26th April,

Show, preceded by dinner at 18:00 p8

Peter's Music Live

Wednesday 9th May, 14:00

**DAVID
HANESWORTH** (VIOLIN)
& **PATRICIA
ROMERO** (PIANO)

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FAITH TALK

Thursday 12th April, 19:00

Wok poroman, wok misen

**Partnership between churches of
Germany and Papua-New Guinea**

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12:30 SATURDAY 14TH APRIL

**Bring &
Buy** FUNDRAISING FOR
GLASSDOOR GLASSDOOR SUPPORTS THE WALK LONDON CHARITIES p8

Wednesday 18th April, 14:00

Tea Dance & Vienna Café

Not the music but the dancing is live

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Tea Morning

Jeden Donnerstag treffen sich Au Pairs zum Tea Morning in unserer Youth Lounge, 31 Craven Terrace.

Bei Tee, Kaffee und Keksen könnt ihr Kolleginnen oder Kollegen kennenlernen, euch unterhalten und Erfahrungen austauschen.

Hier könnt ihr Pläne zur Erforschung Londons schmieden. Infos haben wir reichlich.

**JEDEN DONNERSTAG,
AB 10:30**



Lo-Co London Connection

Whether you are an au pair, student, volunteer or young employee, we would like to invite you to get together, exchange work and life experiences, as well as going out and having fun...



For everybody up to the age of 30 who spends some time in and around London.

Call 020 3238 2197 for more details

Struwwelpeter

mit kleinen Kindern (0 - 3 Jahre)

Mütter und Väter mit kleinen Kindern treffen sich jeden Mittwoch beim deutschsprachigen "Struwwelpeter", der Eltern-Kind-Gruppe im German YMCA.

Während die Kinder erste Kontakte zu Gleichaltrigen aufnehmen und ihr Umfeld erkunden, haben die Eltern Gelegenheit, es sich bei einer Tasse Kaffee gemütlich zu machen und sich auszutauschen. Eine kleine Spende ist willkommen.

**jeden Mittwoch,
10:00 - 12:00**



For children
from about 3 to
6 years

Younger siblings are
welcome

Films, arts and crafts,
outings, picnics, and
more depending
on season



Parents or
carers must stay
and are responsible
for their children

Suggestions, ideas or
wishes are most
welcome

After School Club

for Kids & Parents

When: every 1st
and 3rd Thursday of the
month, 15:30 to 17:00

Where: here at the German
YMCA

Costs: a donation of £2 minimum
per session would be appreciated

We serve: coffee, tea, juice and
snacks

Language: English

Call Rachel or Barbara on
020 3238 2197 for more details





Gesegnete Ostern und allen, die nach Hause fahren, wünschen wir eine schöne Zeit und gute Erholung!

So 1.4. Ostereier-Suche & Brunch 11:00

Bestimmt haben die meisten von euch bereits einige Ostereier-Jagden hinter sich, aber garantiert noch keine wie diese: Denn der Osterhase hat uns bereits eine Nachricht zukommen lassen, dass er für euch ein paar der Leckereien im Hyde Park hinterlegen wird. Danach müssen wir uns doch auf jeden Fall auf die Suche begeben! Und nach dieser Anstrengung belohnen wir uns mit einem (durchaus verdienten) Brunch im Park.

Buchung: ab sofort bis 26.03. Preis: £3
Treffpunkt: Italian Fountains im Hyde Park

Sa 14.4. Dare to Differ: Intercultural understanding 13:30

Prejudices and stereotypical images from the media influence our perception of other cultures. How do we manage to meet one another openly and overcome prejudices? In the workshop we will consider how culture and prejudices can be analysed and resolved.

Workshop leader: Sophia Weidemann is currently studying at SOAS.

Booking: guests please book Price: £3.00 for guests
Meeting Point: Lancaster Hall Hotel, 35 Craven Terrace, London W2 3EL



Tu 17.4. Musical: The Phantom of the Opera 19:30

Far beneath the majesty and splendour of the Paris Opera House, hides the Phantom in a shadowy existence. When the owner of the opera house changes the situation gets out of hand - a fantastic story of love, passion and rejection.

Booking: Please book and pay by 15.4. Price: £42.50
Meeting point: Her Majesty's Theatre, Haymarket, London SW1Y 4QL

Sa 28.4. Neasden Temple 09:30

We visit a traditional Hindu Temple: The Shri Swaminarayan Mandir. It is the first and largest Hindu stone Mandir Temple in the Western hemisphere. Inside Indian beliefs, art and tradition come alive.

Booking: now open Price: £1.50 to be paid at the temple
Meeting point: Stonebridge Park Station, NW10 ORW (behind the ticket barrier)

So 6.5. Street Art Tour 13:45

Wenn euch bei euren London-Erkundungstouren bereits die zahlreiche Street Art aufgefallen ist und ihr schon immer einmal mehr darüber wissen wolltet, dann seid ihr hier richtig. Und wenn ihr es bis jetzt geschafft habt, euch dieser spannenden alternativen Kunst zu entziehen, müsst ihr erst recht! Begleitet uns auf eine professionell geführte Tour durch Straßen und Winkel des East Ends und lauscht den Geschichten über die geheimnisvollen Künstler, während ihre Bilder vor euren Augen lebendig werden...

Anmeldung: ab sofort bis 24.04. Preis: £10.00
Treffpunkt: Liverpool Street Tube, Bishopsgate West exit - top of the escalator

Sa 12.5. Dare to Differ: Britain and its Royal Houses 13:30

With only one week to go until another royal wedding it's the perfect time to explore the colourful history of Britain represented by its royal houses. Blue badge guide Steven Szymanski will give an overview of the British royal family starting with the legendary King Arthur to Queen Elisabeth II.

Booking: guests please book Price: £3.00 for guests

Meeting Point: Lancaster Hall Hotel, 35 Craven Terrace, London W2 3EL

Tu 15.5. Jane Eyre 19:30

Cathy Marston's adaptation of the ultimate gothic romance follows Charlotte Brontë's "poor, obscure, plain, and little" heroine as she faces a world which offers her little in the way of kindness. After accepting a position to teach at Thornfield Hall, the home of the mysterious Mr Rochester, dark secrets unfold and hidden desires are uncovered, with an original score by Philip Feeney, played live by Northern Ballet Sinfonia.

Booking: as of now Price: £20.00

Meeting Point: Sadler's Wells Theatre, Rosebery Avenue, London EC1R 4TN

Sa 19.05. Royal Wedding LIVE 11:30

Es gibt einige Events, die man in England besser nicht verpassen sollte, aber die Royal Wedding ist mit Sicherheit eines davon. Und da wir wahrscheinlich alle keine persönliche Einladung zur feierlichen Zeremonie erhalten werden, wird es Zeit, dass wir uns eine Alternative überlegen: Daher seid ihr herzlich eingeladen, mit uns gemeinsam beim YMCA eine Live-Übertragung der Hochzeit anzuschauen. Zwar können wir nicht versprechen, dass unsere Zeremonie an Königlichkeit mit derjenigen in Windsor mithalten kann, aber ein schöner (Vor)Mittag wird es bestimmt trotzdem!

Anmeldung: ab sofort bis 14.05. Preis: kostenlos

Treffpunkt: Lancaster Hall Hotel, 35 Craven Terrace, London W23EL

Sa 26.5. Thames Boots- und Greenwich Tour 11:00

Vom Westminster Pier aus fahren wir mit dem Boot vorbei am London Eye, unter der Tower Bridge durch bis nach Greenwich. Nach einer kleinen Stärkung auf dem Markt von Greenwich gibt es eine Führung durch das alte Naval College. Danach besuchen wir das restaurierte Queen's House und dann geht es durch den Park zum Observatorium. Wer von euch schon immer mal auf dem Nullmeridian stehen wollte, hat jetzt die Chance dazu!

Buchung: bitte bis 18.5. anmelden und zahlen Bootstour: £6.80

Treffpunkt: Westminster Tube Station, hinter den Ticketbarrieren (Richtung Ausgang 1)



Sa 9.6. Daytrip to Cambridge 9:00

We take the bus to Cambridge, a unique and beautiful city home to one of the oldest and most respected universities in the world.

Booking: open

Price: Au Pairs £13, Guests £15, please pay when booking

Meeting point: Lancaster Hall Hotel, 35 Craven Terrace, W2



- Tu 3.4. Feierabend Club: Bach in Brazil** **14:00**
 Ein Musiker will ein original Bach Manuskript aus Brasilien holen. Dabei wird er beraubt ... Klassik trifft Samba (sorry, no subtitles).
Cake for the homeless **15:30**
 After the film home-made cake will be sold in aid of the Connection at St Martin's in the Fields, a homeless charity.
- Th 5.4. Anglo-German Circle: Schubertiade** **19:00**
 Michael Rakotoarivony (baritone) and Nigel Foster (piano) perform Schubert's song cycle Schwanengesang.
- Th 12.4. Anglo-German Circle: Faith Talk - Wok poroman, wok misen** **19:00**
 Partnership between Lutheran churches of Northern Germany and Papua-New Guinea. Discuss with Deacon Mark Möller impressions, ideas and challenges – what has "mission" to do with it?
- Sa 14.4. Bring & Buy** **12:30**
 Anything portable welcome, except food and mains electrical. There is also fresh bread and light refreshments (cake, Bratwurst, ...). Funds raised for Glass Door, a homeless charity.
- Su 15.4. Schubertiade: Iúnó Connolly & Dylan Perez** **15:00**
 Iúnó (soprano) & Dylan (piano) perform Schubert, Schumann, Bridge and Grieg.
- Mo 16.4. Skattunier** **19:00**
 Skat zugunsten des German Welfare Councils. £5 Mindestspende.

Tu 17.4. 14:00
Feierabend Club: Saving Mr Banks
 This film portraits the length Walt Disney went to to get the rights and make his Mary Poppins film.



- We 18.4. Peter's Music Tea Dance & Vienna Cafe** **14:00**
 Robin and Helena invite you to dance (or just sit and enjoy). There will be some Viennese cake to go with the coffee/tea.
- Th 19.4. Anglo-German Circle: Innovation & Science** **19:00**
 Robin will present some of the most interesting recent innovations, such as the colonisation of Mars.
- Th 26.4. Anglo-German Dinner: Chicken Schnitzel** **18:00**
 Please book by 19.4. (two courses £7).
Anglo-German Circle: Voices in Harmony **19:00**
 The show will raise funds for PIP – Pursuing Independent Paths, a charity for people with learning disabilities.

- Tu 1.5. Feierabend Club: Jenseits der Stille** 14:00
Ein taubstummes Paar hat ein musikalisches Kind (subtitles).
Liebesgeschichte, Drama, ein Film übers Erwachsenwerden.
- We 2.5. Lunch: Beef Olive (Rinderroulade)** 12:45
£7 for two courses
- We 2.5. Peter's Music Film: Brigadoon** 14:00
Musical with Gene Kelly about a mystical village in Scotland.
- Th 3.5. Anglo-German Circle: Paula Modersohn-Becker** 19:00
Helena introduces the work and life of the German painter.
- We 9.5. Peter's Music Live: David Hanesworth & Patricia Romero** 14:00
David (violin) and Patricia (piano) perform music
by Dvorak, Elgar, Massenet and Beethoven.
- Th 10.5. Anglo-German Circle: Ascension Day** 19:00
Fr Ioakeim explains the Greek Orthodox theology of icons.
- Tu 15.5. Feierabend Club: Mary Poppins** 14:00
Famous Disney film about a magical nanny. Not just for kids.

We 16.5. Peter's Music Excursion: Chess 14:30

ABBA songwriters Benny Anderson and Björn Ulvaeus wrote
this musical with hits like *One night in Bangkok* and *I know
him so well*.

At the ENO, St Martin's Lane, WC2N, tickets from us £17



- Th 17.5. Anglo-German Circle: Berlin! Berlin! Wie haste Dir verändert** 19:00
Berlin nach 1945 – eine Betrachtung von Margit Hosseini.
- Su 20.5. Schubertiade: Niel Du Preez** 15:00
The pianist will perform Schubert, Liszt, Scriabin and Debussy.
- We 23.5. Skattunier** 19:00
Skat zugunsten des German Welfare Councils. £5 Mindestspende.
- Th 24.5. Anglo-German Circle: The Islington Meistersingers** 19:00
The London-German choir sings 19th and 20th century music, esp. Brahms.
- Sa 26.5. To be a Pilgrim ...** 08:00
Our Chaplain will walk from Swanley Station to raise funds for the homeless.
More details in the news (page 10).
- Th 31.5. Anglo-German Circle: Deutschland Saga** 19:00
Ein australischer Geschichtsprfessor betrachtet Mythen,
Legenden und Träume der Deutschen (documentary, no subtitles).



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| Th | 7.6. Anglo German Circle: The Dixie Ticklers | 19:00 |
| Sa | 9.6. Day Trip to Cambridge
Booking now: Members £13, guests £15 | 09:00 |
| Sa | 16.6. Street Party in Craven Terrace | 11:00 - 17:00 |

News



Your Feedback

During the last weeks we received some feedback about activities and changes our members would like. As a result we have changed the starting time of the Anglo German Circle to 19:00 instead of 19:30. Perhaps some of you are now more inclined to come. Another wish was for activities outside the YMCA in the afternoon. Therefore we took the musical Chess on 16 May into the programme. If you have any other suggestions that haven't been met yet, don't be shy about letting us know and we will see what can be done.



To be a Pilgrim ...

... our Chaplain Udo Bauer will walk with his family 19.5 miles from Swanley to Aylesford on the way to Canterbury. It starts 8:00 at Swanley Station. You are all invited to join them and their efforts to raise funds for The Connection at St Martin's in the Fields, a homeless charity. You can book a place with Eugene Ling on 020 8877 5555 (Ext. 521). If you can't join the walk, perhaps you'd like to encourage the Bauer's effort with a financial contribution to their fundraising?

Bring and Buy

February's Bring & Buy generated £600 for Open Age, a charity championing an active life for older people. Many thanks to donors, customers and helpers!

In Memoriam

Edward "Ted" Tottman died 24 January 2018 aged 78.

Our thoughts and prayers are with him and his family and friends.

"The poor man called, and the Lord heard him; he saved him out of all his troubles." Psalm 34.7



THE Schubert Society OF BRITAIN

Schubert Society Singer Prize 2016

Eleanor Penfold (soprano), the Schubert Society Singer Prize winner for 2016, gave her Schubertiade recital on 21 January 2018. It was a wonderful concert and everyone enjoyed it. You can see it on Eleanor's face as she gets her certificate and is allowed to hold the Singer statue once more.



Conversation and Culture Classes:

Monday from 16.4.

German (advanced) 10:00
Italian (lower intermediary) 12:00
German (beginners) 12:30

Tuesday from 17.4.

German (intermediary plus) 12:30
German (beginners plus) 15:00
German (beginners plus) 18:00

Peter's Music

every
Wednesday
at 14:00

GEBURTSTAGE

Zum Geburtstag wünschen wir von Herzen Gottes Segen:

im April Ludwina Bhattacharyya, Shirley Boatswain, Matthias Brandl, Bärbel Breen, Violet Clarkson, Ulrike Conzelmann, Teresa Doonan, Barbara Fiedler, Martin Finke, Jane Frost, Alfons Gith, Frank Gonsalves, Helga Grange, Michael Juska, Hadi Kermani, Robin Knight, Jessica Neisen, Marco Nicolai, Patrick Phair, Greta Pope, Eleanor Robbins, Irmgard Rouse, George Sulker-Hutson, Rob Townsend, Ida Upham-Battlogg, Jutta Wilson und Eliza Zigmane.

im Mai Rosmarie Aissa, Elfriede Bader, Esther Barrera-Roie, Ruth Blunt, Angela Bracher, Val Butterfield, Monica Collinson, Christian Daur, Martin Doherty, Angelika Golz, Sven Haase, Joan Hogg, Eleonore Hussein, Bryon Idehen, Samuel Kind, Uwe Maynard, Georg Miniakis, Gordon Morris, Helga Nealen, Zofia Pacek, David Plumer, Lyudmila Razumova, Erika Robinson, Bob Rogers, Paulina Rowinska, Caridad Ruiz Millan, Cornelia Rulf, Cornelia Schmieder, Catherine Thuss, Joan Wheeler, Peter Willis und Gisela Wright.

Happy Birthday to you all, Udo Bauer





April 2018

Jesus said: "Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you." John 20.21

It is an inescapable fact for all of us, that on our journey through life, we will disappoint in some way the people around us. Rightly or wrongly, others have expectations we do not or can not fulfil. In the same way we will be disappointed, feel let down, disillusioned by others, who do not fulfil what we expect of them. This has always been our lot. It was not different at the time, Jesus of Nazareth travelled in his homeland and instructed in word and deed his people about the will of his Father in heaven. Oh yes, he had followers everywhere and the gospels give witness of this fact throughout. And in a way even more important, Jesus chose twelve men, took them away from their daily lives, to become his disciples. As teacher he chose his students, because that is what the word 'disciple' means. He chose them with the purpose and expectation, that they would see, learn, understand and above all, carry forward his divine purpose. He taught them by example, preaching, exposure to conflict, every way possible, to learn about humility, forgiveness and selfless love. A lesson in humility was exemplified when Jesus was washing the feet of the disciples (John 13). But he could not overcome their religious heritage, their faith, based on expectation carried forward by the prophets through the generations. To this needs to be added the disciples' personal ambitions, weaknesses, bravado, even attempts to force their master into some mighty actions they deemed necessary of the Messiah. "They had clung to their material dreams of an earthly kingdom and of their own prominence in it." (Interpreter's Bible).

Through all this, Jesus experienced, to the point of despair, the shortcomings of his chosen ones. The enthusiastic reception on his entry into Jerusalem must have given his disciples the greatest of expectations of wonderful things to



come. But then the terrible events, the purpose of which Jesus repeatedly had tried to prepare them for, became reality.

In the Garden Gethsemane, in the company of chosen disciples, Jesus finds himself utterly alone: ***Could you men not keep watch with me for one hour?*** (Mt 26.40). Can there be a greater disappointment? We know what follows. Jesus on the cross cries to his Father: ***My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?*** (Mt 27.46). And: ***All the disciples deserted him and fled*** (Mt 26.55).

We find them again hidden in a room behind closed doors, a frightened little group of broken men. They were grieving, hurting and humiliated; their faith, their wonderful dream was destroyed. And they were not capable to believe in the risen Christ. The reports of witnesses meant nothing to them, it was met with rejection. Their own peril and despair blocked out everything else. We see them in dire need of counselling. And they get it, and more. It was of the utmost importance, that the risen Christ appeared amongst them. An everyday greeting, as so many meaningless ones

spoken to this day, becomes here a profound meaning: **Peace be with you.** This was what they needed above all, peace in their own heart, peace for their bruised conscience. Christ's presence and spirit frees them from all anxiety and startles them out of their sense of failure into calmness, the quietness of mind that opens to new understanding. He reminds them, that he has chosen them and that he believes in them to be after all the ones to be of service to God in his plan for the salvation of the world. You remain my choice: **As the Father has sent me, I am sending you.**

Only recently I read in one of Elly Griffiths' mystery novels words to the effect that "learning begins when formal education has ended". This, in secular literature formulated observation is certainly true here. The disciples emerge from their student status as apostles – men sent. Only now, after what they had been taught and largely misunderstood, do they begin, ('begin' being the key word here), to understand what it will mean for the fulfilment of their Great Commission: **Go and make disciples of all nations** (Mt 28.19). As eyewitnesses of life, death and resurrection of Christ, they are now appointed ambassadors. They are to take over the task to continue Christ's work on earth. And they will not achieve this by themselves, but through Christ's spirit. It is the beginning of Christianity. The conversion from disciples to apostles did not happen overnight, it took time. But the church had begun, even before the gospels were written. The apostles were sent into a hostile world, surrounded and pursued by antagonism, to continue a mission in the faith, that with God's help they will see it through.

What does this mean in today's world? "There are wide areas in modern life, in which only one Christian language will be understood, the language of unselfish service and sacrifice" (Hanns Lilje). So much more could be written about the text for April. But as a bridge to the

text for May, I will use a verse from a German hymn (EKG 241), a prayer, that refers to the first witnesses of Christ's purpose on earth:

*Wach auf, du Geist der ersten Zeugen,
die auf der Mau'r als treue Wächter stehn,
die Tag und Nächte nimmer schweigen
und die getrost dem Feind entgegen gehn,
ja deren Schall die ganze Welt durchdringt
und alle Völkerscharen zu dir bringt.*

Mai 2018

Es ist aber der Glaube eine feste Zuversicht dessen, was man hofft, und ein Nichtzweifeln an dem, was man nicht sieht. Hebräer 11,1

Wenn ich einen Satz beginne: "Ich glaube ..." und mir jemand abfällig ins Wort fällt mit "Glauben ist nicht wissen", merkt er gar nicht, dass er in seiner vermeintlichen Überlegenheit eine allgemein gültige Wahrheit ausgesprochen hat. Wie schon zum April Text zitiert, beruht Schulwissen auf dem bereits Bewiesenen. Fortschritt kommt dann durch Lernen. Wer da nicht glaubt und hofft, in jedem Lebensbereich, durch Fragen und Forschen zuversichtlich und hoffnungsvoll ins Ungewisse vordringt um Kenntnis über etwas Unbekanntes zu bekommen, trägt nichts für die Zukunft der Welt bei. Was für ein riesiges Thema liegt da im Monatsspruch bereits ohne seine biblische Herkunft zu berücksichtigen. Zum Letzteren hier nun ein Zitat: "Also lerne hier, was 'glauben' heißt, nämlich nichts anderes, denn dass wir am Wort Christi und der Verheißung nicht zweifeln, sondern wie das Wort verheißt, solches für gewiss und wahr halten, dass es nimmermehr fehlen werde, ob wir's gleich nicht sehen oder fühlen. Denn das ist des Glaubens sonderliche Art, dass es damit umgeht und das glaubt, was noch nicht vorhanden ist" (Martin Luther, Hauspostille).

Bernd Hildebrandt

The drawing by an unknown artist came to us as a printing block from a WWII POW camp.

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Schweizer Botschaft

16-18 Montagu Place, London W1H 2BQ
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www.eda.admin.ch/london

German-Speaking Churches, London

Deutschsprachige evangelische

Gottesdienste in St Andrew's
Church Road, Petersham TW10 5HG
Tel: 020 8876 6366
www.ev-kirche-london-west.org.uk
Gottesdienst jeden 2. und 4. Sonntag im
Monat 16:30 Uhr

Deutschsprachige Katholische Gemeinde

St. Bonifatius London
47 Adler St., London E1 1EE
Tel: 020 7247 9529
www.dkg-london.org
Gottesdienst jeden 2., 4., 5. Sonntag im
Monat 11 Uhr. 1. und 3. Sonntag am
Vorabend-Samstag 18 Uhr

Deutschsprachige römisch-katholische

Gottesdienste in St Thomas Aquinas
Ham Street, Ham, Richmond TW10 7HT
Tel: 020 8332 1036
www.dkg-london.org
Gottesdienst jeden Sonntag 11:30 Uhr

Evangelische Christuskirche

19 Montpelier Pl., London SW7 1HL
Tel: 020 8876 6366
www.ev-kirche-london-west.org.uk
Gottesdienst jeden Sonntag 11 Uhr

Evangelische Dietrich-Bonhoeffer-Kirche

50 Dacres Rd., Forest Hill, London SE23 2NR
Tel: 020 7794 4207
www.german-church.org/london-ost
Gottesdienst jeden 2. Sonntag im Monat
15:30 Uhr und 4. Sonntag im Monat 10:30 Uhr

Evangelische St. Marien-Kirche

10 Sandwich St., London WC1 9PL
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Gottesdienst jeden 2., 3. Sonntag im Monat
11 Uhr und 4. Sonntag im Monat 15 Uhr

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Au Pair Services

The German YMCA offers an au pair placement service in co-operation with the IN VIA and VIJ associations in Germany. To find the right family for the right au pair and vice versa is one of our aims. To facilitate exchange between cultures is another. With our programmes, which include social-cultural events especially addressed to au pairs, we aim to give a broad experience of country, history and culture. We also offer the intercultural qualification course "Dare to Differ".

Telephone Contact

With the support of the trustees of the former German Old People's Home "Homelands" we have a project for anybody who is a native German speaker and lives in the UK. If you can not meet other German speakers in person this is an opportunity to talk to someone in your language. For further information please phone our office and we will put you in contact with Ursula Mitchell.

Volunteer Placement Services

In co-operation with other organisations we offer young people the opportunity to volunteer abroad for a period of three to twelve months. Project themes could include: youth, sport, culture, social care, environment. Our aim is to provide young people with an intercultural learning experience and to encourage social integration. For further information, or if your organisation would like to host a volunteer, please contact Alice Melsheimer by phone or e-mail.

Office Hours

The office is open from Monday to Friday 9am - 12 and 1 - 5pm. In case of an emergency please contact the duty manager of the Lancaster Hall Hotel on 020 7723 9276.

Programme Booking

If you would like to take part in our activities you can book in person, by telephone or e-mail.

The German YMCA is a Christian movement which welcomes people regardless of their gender, age, religion or ethnic background.

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