





PROGRAM COMMEMORATION AND LIBERATION CEREMONIES 2024 "LAW AND JUSTICE IN NATIONAL SOCIALISM"



Organized by Mauthausen Committee Austria and our local initiatives and associations

"In memory of the blood shed by all peoples, in memory of the millions of brothers assassinated by Nazi-Fascism, we solemnly swear to never abandon this path. We want to erect the most beautiful monument that one could dedicate to the soldiers who have fallen for the cause of freedom of the international community on a secure basis: A world of free men! We direct ourselves to the entire world, shouting:

help us in this work!"

(Excerpt from Mauthausen Oath of liberated prisoners on 16 May 1945)







The International Commemoration and Liberation Ceremony at the Memorial Mauthausen and at sites of its former satellite camps has been organized and conducted since 1946 by the camp survivors and their associations. As the successor organization of the Austrian Association of Mauthausen Survivors, Mauthausen Committee Austria has taken over this task and will organize these celebrations in 2024 on the occasion of the 79th anniversary of the liberation of the Mauthausen Concentration Camp.

Because over 90 percent of the victims were neither German nor Austrian, to us, the commemoration of the victims of the Mauthausen Concentration Camp and its satellite camps has international significance. The International Commemoration and Liberation Ceremony is the largest ceremony of its kind worldwide. In addition to the main ceremony in Mauthausen, each year sees over 110 memorial events at locations of former satellite camps of Mauthausen CC and other sites of Nazi terror throughout Austria. Tens of thousands of visitors each year take a powerful stand: "Never again!".

Each year we dedicate the Commemoration and Liberation Ceremonies to a special theme. Relevance to the present is an essential component of each annual theme. This is intended to provide young people in particular with reference to their world of experience today through an examination of the Nazi era and ideology. This year's Commemoration and Liberation Ceremonies are dedicated to "Law and Justice in National Socialism" (details on the next page).

The legacy of CC survivors (mkoe.at/aams) forms the foundation of Mauthausen Committee activities. In addition to commemoration of the victims of Nazi crimes, especially crimes against prisoners held in Mauthausen CC and it's satellite camps, other areas of focus are right-wing extremism, knowledge transfer, and decisive anti-fascist and anti-racist work, especially with young people.





















COMMEMORATION AND LIBERATION CEREMONIES 2024 "LAW AND JUSTICE IN NATIONAL SOCIALISM"

Justice is a moral and ethical concept referring to the fair and decent treatment of persons and groups. It entails the equal treatment of all before the law as well as the principle of no favouritism and no discrimination, regardless of origin, status, or characteristics.

Striving for jutsice is the foundation of a democratic society. During the Nazi era, the legal system was systematically abused. The aim was to suppress the power of state and the individual freedom and rights of its citizens. The NS period was not just a time in which the legal system was altered, but it was also a time of blatant violation of justice.

The Nazis created a new legal system that reflected their ideology. Laws were passed and implemented so that they would be in line with racist and inhuman objectives. This enabled the persecution, expropriation, and murder of Jews, Romani people and other groups. The Nuremberg Laws serve as a harrowing example of how the law was perverted during the Nazi era, and how extreme injustice was revealed.

The judiciary was exploited: It served to persecute and oppress dissidents and - as the regime called them - "andersartig", meaning those of different race. A core instrument of this change was the coordination of the judicial machinery. The independence of the judiciary was quickly undermined. Judges and lawyers were ideologically coordinated to serve the objectives of the "Führer", Adolf Hitler. Loyal Nazis were placed in many high-ranking legal positions. At the same time, new courts were established to serve exclusively the judiciary terror and the realisation of the racist and delusional concept of the NSDAP - first and foremost the "Volksgerichtshof" (engl. "People's court"), but also the so-called "Hereditary Health Courts", which legitimised the mass murder of people with disabilities and mental illnesses. The courts ruled based on ideological provisions; constitutional principles fell by the wayside.

While the legal system continued to exist in this changed manner, there was hardly any justice in practice. Those who resisted the NS ideology and its crimes were arrested, tortured, and executed without a fair trial. The idea of justice was trampled on as the Nazis put their criminal goals above the well-being and the rights of human beings.

After the end of World War II, the victorious powers tried to reestablish justice on an international level. The Nuremberg Trials (1945 - 1949), during which those mainly responsible for the war crimes and the crimes against humanity were brought to justice, were a first step in the right direction. The founding of the United Nations (1945) and the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (1948) were further such steps.

The dark chapter of National Socialism shows that law doesn't always mean justice. To this day, justice can be abused by authoritarian regimes to legitimise injustice.

It is our responsibility to make sure that the law always serves a higher moral standard and that as a society, we actively stand up to injustices. Protecting our legal system by guaranteeing independent institutions is essential, so that justice serves all and so that human rights violations can be prevented.

International Commemoration and Liberation Ceremony

SUNDAY, 5 MAY 2024

MAUTHAUSEN

International
Commemoration
and Liberation
Ceremony
Mauthausen
concentration
camp memorial site
Upper Austria

11:00

International Liberation and Commemoration Ceremony 2024 on the topic of "Law and Justice in National Socialism"

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FRIDAY, 19 JANUARY 2024

ST. GEORGEN AN DER GUSEN

House of Remembrance Marcel-Callo-Straße 3 Upper Austria

18:00

Opening of the exhibition "Marcel Callo - Victim of Gusen II" with film screening at the House of Remembrance

In 1943 the young Frenchman, scout and member of the Catholic Workers' Movement was conscripted to Nazi forced labour manufacturing small arms in Thuringia. There he took care of his comrades, founded sports groups, organised forbidden church services and made contact with French prisoners of war who were imprisoned nearby. Detention, Gotha prison, starvation and forced labour again, deportation to Gusen II, where he was maltreated to death in the "Bergkristall" mine. The young Frenchman spent the last days of his life until his death in the Mauthausen "Sonderrevier".

2024 marks the 80th anniversary of the foundation of the Gusen II Concentration Camp. The exhibition will be open until May 2024.

SATURDAY, 27 JANUARY 2024

WELS

Minoriten Wels Rainerstraße 2 Upper Austria

19:30

KLANG ZEICHEN SETZEN - An event against violence on International Holocaust Remembrance Day

Joana RADZYNER, historian and long-time ORF journalist, reads from her book "Sklavenarbeit unter dem Hakenkreuz" (Slave labour under the Swastika), which she authored together with Reinhard ENGEL. She will also read from a volume of poetry by her mother Tamara.

The A CAPELLA CHOR WELS under the direction of Julia AUER will contrast these haunting, oppressive (dark) texts with "light music" from the 1930s and 1940s as a counterpoint.

SUNDAY, 28 JANUARY 2024

KLAGENFURT

Künstlerhaus 10:00

Klagenfurt Matinee on International Holocaust Remembrance Day at the

Goethepark 1 Künstlerhaus Klagenfurt

Carinthia The City of Klagenfurt and the Advisory Board for the Culture of

Remembrance and Commemoration invite you to the annual Holocaust

Remembrance Day matinee: Sunday, 28 January at 10:00 am at Künstlerhaus Klagenfurt. This year's keynote speaker will be Ernst

GRUBE, born in 1932.

Welcome and opening: Mayor Christian SCHEIDER

Contemporary witness and keynote speaker: Ernst GRUBE

Musical accompaniment: Duo Masis (Anna HAKOBYAN and Karen

ASATRIAN)

Moderation: Nadja DANGLMAIER

WEDNESDAY, 31 JANUARY 2024

GALLNEUKIRCHEN

Memorial for Peace 19:00

Anton-Riepl-Straße/ Memorial rally for the "Mühlviertler Manhunt" at the Memorial

Gallneukirchner Straße for Peace

Upper Austria The Mauthausen Committee Gallneukirchen invites you to a memorial

rally at the Memorial for Peace in Gallneukirchen.

Memorial stone of 19:45

Diakoniewerk

Hauptstraße 3

Memorial rally on "Euthanasia murders - unworthy life" at the memorial stone of Diakoniewerk

Upper Austria

After the memorial celebration at the Memorial for Peace, a memorial rally on the subject of "Euthanasia murders - worthless life" will take place at the memorial stone of Diakoniewerk in Gallneukirchen.

WEDNESDAY, 14 FEBRUARY 2024

WELS

Bildungshaus Schloss

19:30

Puchberg

Political Ash Wednesday

Puchberg 1

Upper Austria

The well-known Austrian filmmaker, science journalist and author Kurt LANGBEIN will participate in the 14th Ash Wednesday Talk organised

by the Wels Initiative against Fascism at the Schloss Puchberg

Education Centre.

In conversation with journalist and Antifa activist Marina WETZLMAIER, the award-winning non-fiction author, director and producer will talk about his many years of work and his socio-political approach to timecritical topics such as health, the environment and democracy.

Afterwards, there will be an opportunity to exchange ideas over classic herring cheese and drinks.

FRIDAY, 23 FEBRUARY 2024

MAUTHAUSEN

Donausaal 20:00

Mauthausen "No one has the right to obey" (Hannah Arendt) -

Josef-Czerwenka-Commemorative event on the "Mühlviertel Manhunt".

Straße 4

In commemoration of the "Mühlviertel Manhunt", perspektive Upper Austria

mauthausen is organising an eventing about law and justice with music

and literature.

Konstanze BREITEBNER will read. The music program will be provided

by HAUSGEMACHT.

SATURDAY, 24 FEBRUARY 2024

WELS

Puchberg

Bildungshaus Schloss 14:00

40th anniversary of the Wels Initiative against Fascism

Puchberg 1 Numerous Elfriede-Grünberg-award laureates will attend. There will be

Upper Austria an extensive program with musical accompaniment.

TUESDAY, 12 MARCH 2024

WELS

Bildungshaus Schloss

19:00

Puchberg

Book presentation "Brüchiges Schweigen" (engl. Fragile

Puchberg 1

silence)

Upper Austria

The book presentation of Brigitte HALBMAYR's "Brüchiges Schweigen" takes place in cooperation with the Bildungshaus Schloss Puchberg and Dr Willi ACHLEITNER.

THURSDAY, 21 MARCH 2024

OBERWART

Offenes Haus Oberwart

17:00 - 20:00

ОНО

Conference: "Never Again is Now" - RE.F.U.G.I.U.S.

Lisztgasse 12

Commemoration and remembrance during times of war, hatred, and

Burgenland

violence.

RE.F.U.G.I.U.S. has invited the following speakers:

Dr Danielle SPERA, former Director of the Jewish Museum Vienna; Dr Maximilian LAKITSCH, Senior Scientist at Karl-Franzens University of Graz; Dr Walter MANOSCHEK, retired associate professor of Political Sciences Policies; Mag Katharina TIWALD, freelance writer, teacher

Host: Walter REISS

SUNDAY, 24 MARCH 2024

RECHNITZ

Kreuzstadl 14:00

Geschriebenstein- Commemoration of all victims of the construction of the

straße South-East Wall

Burgenland Paul GULDA, RE.F.U.G.I.U.S.

Dr Andor GROSZ, president of the association of Hungarian

communities of Jews Mazsihisz

Rabbi Schlomo HOFMEISTER, MSc, message of greeting Representatives of Jewish communities Zalaegerszeg and

Szombathely

Music: Bogdan LAKETIC

Schlachthaus 15:15

Steinamangerstr. 41a

Burgenland

Unveiling of the Memorial of the Victims of the

Slaughterhouse Massacre

In memory of 18 Hungarian Jews who were murdered by fanatic

National Socialists shortly before the end of the war, on 25 March 1945.

They were shot and hurriedly buried in the middle of a field. In 1970

their bodies were exhumed and buried with dignity.

Welcome: Dr Christine TEUTSCHLER; Artistic designer: Wolfgang A.

HORWATH; Speech: Mag Judith PFEFFER MA, National Fund of the

Republic of Austria for Victims of National Socialism;

Music: Bogdan LAKETIC

SUNDAY, 24 MARCH 2024

RECHNITZ

Naturpark Mittelschule

Schulgasse 10 Burgenland 16:15

Book presentation "Rechnitz. The Slaughterhouse Massacre in

March 1945"

On 24 March 1945, up to 180 Jewish Hungarian forced labourers were

murdered in Rechnitz at the Kreuzstadl.

The massacre on 25 March 1945 is less known. Near the slaughterhouse, 18 Hungarian Jews were shot and killed. This publication is dedicated to the memory of these "almost forgotten"

victims.

Welcoming speech: Mayor Martin KRAMELHOFER and Dir. Vera TANGL Presentation: Walter REISS in conversation with Eva SCHWARZMAYER

Music: Bogdan LAKETIC & Paul GULDA

WEDNESDAY, 27 MARCH 2024

WIENER NEUSTADT

Memorial near the 10:00

Serbenhalle Wreath ceremony at the site of the former Wiener Neustadt

Pottendorferstraße 47 Satellite Camp

Lower Austria at the memorial near the Serbenhalle in an intimate setting with

representatives of the city

FRIDAY, 29 MARCH 2024

HINTERBRÜHI

Memorial 14:30

Johannesstraße 16-32 Commemoration ceremony at the site of the former

Lower Austria Hinterbrühl Satellite Camp with prayer at the Way of Sorrows

Participants can visit five different stations at the Way of Sorrows with

varying themes and musical accompaniment.

SPRING

GUNTRAMSDORF / WIENER NEUDORF

Details about the **Time will be announced**

venue: TBA "Disappeared Wiener Neudorf Residents"

Lower Austria Presentation of research findings on the victims of National Socialism

in Wiener Neudorf.

FRIDAY, 5 APRIL 2024

HIRTENBERG

At the park outside 15:00

Hirtenberg Middle Unveiling of a stele at the site of the former Hirtenberg

School Satellite Camp

Corner of B18/ Enzesfelder Straße

Lower Austria

SATURDAY, 6 APRIL 2024

PEGGAU

Protestant Church 15:00

St. Margarethenstraße 4 **Memorial trail**

Styria in memory of the prisoners' march from the sites of forced labour to

the former concentration camp site

Concentration Camp 16:00

Memorial Commemoration ceremony at the site of the former Peggau

Peggau Satellite Camp

Mittereggstraße 1

Styria

MONDAY, 8 APRIL 2024

LINZ

Upper Austrian Chamber of Labour Volksgartenstraße 40 Upper Austria

08:30

Hermann-Langbein-Symposium from 8 April to 12 April 2024

For more than 40 years, the seminar "Ideology and reality of National Socialism", better known as the "Hermann-Langbein-Symposium", has been a substantial module for continuing education on the topic of the "Nazi era in Austria". The symposium aims at raising awareness about the atrocities of the National Socialists and offering extensive knowledge and information about anti-fascist educational work for teachers of all school types. Since the place where the seminar is held is close to the Mauthausen and Hartheim memorials, excursions to these sites and their educational offers are possible.

The seminar is accessible to everyone, and attending individual lectures only is also possible. It is the longest running event within the teacher training activities.

TUESDAY, 16 APRIL 2024

ENNS

Auerspergsaal Schloss Ennsegg Schloßgasse 4

Upper Austria

19:30

Reading by Jack HERSCH from his book "Escape on the Death March"

The US-American Jack HERSCH reads from his book about his father David HERSCH, who managed to escape during the death march from Mauthausen to Gunskirchen in April 1945. He was hidden by the FRIEDMANN family in Kristein and thus survived.

WEDNESDAY, 17 APRIL 2024

WELS

Jewish cemetery Garnisonstraße 20 Upper Austria Time will be announced

Commemoration at the Jewish cemetery in Wels

The Wels Initiative against Fascism invites you to a commemoration at the Jewish cemetery in Wels with Christine HAIDEN, author, journalist, and president of the Upper Austrian Press Club.

ENNS UND ENNSDORF

Basilica of St. Laurenz Lauriacumstraße 4 Enns

Upper Austria

16:00

"David Hersch Memorial March" in Enns and Ennsdorf

Together we will walk part of the route that David HERSCH had to take in April 1945. His son Jack HERSCH and the historian Angelika SCHLACKL will provide additional information. The new memorial to the victims of the death marches, which was opened by the Mauthausen Committee in October 2022, will also be presented.

ENNS

Basilica of St. Laurenz Lauriacumstraße 4 Enns

Upper Austria

19:00

Commemoration of the victims of the Enns death marches at the Enns-St. Laurenz Basilica

Memorial service for the 87 victims who were buried at the Enns cemetery. Thanks to recent research, some of the names of those murdered are now known. We will commemorate with words and music.

THURSDAY, 18 APRIL 2024

ST. AEGYD AM NEUWALDE

Kulturstadel St. Aegyd Marktplatz

Lower Austria

18:30

Commemoration ceremony at the site of former St. Aegyd satellite camp

The commemoration ceremony on the annual theme of "Law and Justice in National Socialism" will be organised by students from St. Aegyd Middle School with content and music. As always, the event will conclude with a silent march from the Kulturstadel to the concentration camp memorial site.

FRIDAY, 19 APRIL 2024

STADT SALZBURG

Memorial for Roma und Sinti Ignaz Rieder Kai 21 Salzburg

11:00

Commemoration at the memorial for Roma and Sinti

The Cultural Association of Austrian Roma, in co-operation with the Salzburg Peace Office, invites you to a commemoration ceremony at the memorial for Roma and Sinti.

During the National Socialist regime, Roma and Sinti from the city and the rural regions of Salzburg were rounded up at the former trotting track in the city of Salzburg and taken from there to the Maxglan Camp. Due to the "Auschwitz Decree", the Maxglan Camp was closed at the end of March/beginning of April 1943. The majority of the approximately 300 Roma and Sinti were deported to the Auschwitz Concentration Camp. A smaller group was sent to the so-called "Gypsy Detention Camp" in Lackenbach.

SUNDAY, 21 APRIL 2024

MELK

Tischlerei Melk Kulturwerkstatt Abt Karl-Straße 27a Lower Austria

18:00

Panel discussion "The Captivation of Authoritarianism"

In commemoration of 80 years since the construction of the Melk Satellite Camp and celebrating 30 years since the MERKwürdig Association was established.

"Remembering means working on the future", writes Aleida ASSMANN. In light of increasing anti-democratic and fascist tendences all across Europe, the panel discussion will cover topics such as authoritarianism, fascism, and anti-democracy in a world that is greatly affected by digital media. Practical counterstrategies will be a particular focus. The panellists will be announced shortly.

TUESDAY, 23 APRIL 2024

ANSFFIDEN

Ansfelden Primary School/Kremsbrücke Ansfelden Anton-Bruckner-Straße 10 Upper Austria

08:00

Never forget - GEH.DENKEN 2024

"We walk, we think, and we act for Peace." This is the title of the project "Human Rights Education - Political Education in Primary Schools" focusing on local contemporary history in 4th grade.

What happened 79 years ago at the Kremsbrücke? Near the Kremsbrücke in Ansfelden, students commemorate the victims of the death marches Jews had to undertake from Mauthausen to Gunskirchen.

WEDNESDAY, 24 APRIL 2024

ANSFELDEN

Kremsbrücke Gasthof

Stockinger

Ritzlhofstraße 63/65

Upper Austria

18:00

Commemoration 2024: "Everyone is Someone - Law and

Justice"

Equality in value and dignity: This is what makes us human beings. In this world, where oppression is the rule and liberation the exception, we need stories of a different world, a world where justice and law are the

basis of our coexistence.

Commemoration of the victims and survivors of the death marches for Jews from Mauthausen/Gusen to Gunskirchen near Kremsbrücke and

Gasthaus Stockinger.

FRIDAY, 26 APRIL 2024

KI AGENFURT

Burghof

Burggasse 8

Carinthia

16:00

Memorial walk for the victims of the NS justice system in

Klagenfurt

Meeting point: Burghof in Klagenfurt

Regional Court

Klagenfurt

Josef-Wolfgang-

-

Dobernig-Straße 2

Carinthia

17:00

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Klagenfurt

Meeting point: Regional Court Klagenfurt

SATURDAY, 27 APRIL 2024

FÜRSTENFELD

Memorial to the

victims of the Nazi

death marches of 1945

Stadtpark

Styria

12:00 - 13:00

"Law and Justice in National Socialism" - Vigil of the K.Ö.St.V.

Riegersburg (MKV) against Neo-Nazism, violence, and

extremism

The vigil will take place at the memorial to the victims of the Nazi death

marches of 1945 in Fürstenfeld municipal park.

Speakers: K.Ö.St.V. Riegersburg

APRIL

WIFN-SIMMERING

Gasthaus "Zur Bast"

Haidestraße 22,

Oriongasse

Vienna

Time will be announced

Commemoration at the former Wien Saurer-Werke Satellite

Camp

THURSDAY, 2 MAY 2024

EBENSEE

Details about the

venue: TBA Upper Austria 10:30

Scenic theatre by "teatro caprile" on the subject of "Youth

under the Swastika"

Performance for students

Details about the

20:00

venue: TBA

Upper Austria

Scenic theatre by "teatro caprile" on the subject of "Youth

under the Swastika"

Evening performance

FRIDAY, 3 MAY 2024

GLEISDORF

Memorial 10:30 - 11:30

Rathausplatz **Commemoration ceremony at the Rathausplatz Memorial**

Styria **Contemporary witnesses: Gabriella GOLDMANN and Norbert**

ZECHNER

Music: Jose OBESO, Gleisdorf Music School

Participants: Students of Gleisdorf Middle School, BG/BRG Gleisdorf

ST. VALENTIN

Herzograd Memorial 17:00

"Law and Justice in National Socialism" - Commemoration Anna-Strasser-Platz

Lower Austria ceremony in St. Valentin

SPITAL AM PYHRN

17:00 St. Leonhard cemetery

Pyhrnstraße 165

Upper Austria

Commemoration ceremony of the victims of National

Socialism at the "Fremdvölkisches Kinderheim"

BRAUNAU AM INN

Memorial stone in 18:00

Salzburger Vorstadt Commemoration at the memorial for victims of National

Salzburger Vorstadt 15 **Socialism**

Upper Austria Ceremony for the victims of war and National Socialism in Braunau

Speaker: Karl MARKOVICS

Musical accompaniment: Braunau Democratic Choir

In case of bad weather, the commemoration ceremony will take place

at the VAZ event centre of the city of Braunau.

SATURDAY, 4 MAY 2024

GUNSKIRCHEN

Upper Austria

Memorial 10:00

Bundesstraße 1 "Walk of Solidarity"

KZ Cemetery 10:30

Upper Austria Liberation ceremony at the site of the former Gunskirchen

Satellite Camp

MAUTHAUSEN

Mauthausen 10:00 - 17:00

Concentration Camp Walking tour at the Mauthausen Concentration Camp

Memorial Memorial and discussion meeting focusing on female

Erinnerungsstraße 1 **prisoners**

As a part of the feminist commemoration of women, there will be two walking tours at the concentration camp memorial (one of them with translation into Austrian sign language) and a discussion meeting.

EBENSEE

Upper Austria

Concentration Camp 10:30

Memorial Ebensee, Liberation ceremony at the site of the former Ebensee Satellite

Max-Ziegler-Straße Camp

Upper Austria Memorial lecture by Niklas FRANK

SATURDAY, 4 MAY 2024

MELK

Tischlerei Melk Kulturwerkstatt Abt Karl-Straße 27a Lower Austria

10:30

Opening reception of the Street Art Festival "Handreichung" to celebrate 30 years of MERKwürdig

Austrian as well as international artists display the over 38 native languages of the prisoners of the Melk Satellite Camp. The artworks will temporarily affect the appearance of the World Heritage city of Melk from 4 May to 28 September 2024.

The artists and curators will attend the opening reception. There will be music by Baba Yaga, a wild Balkans-Klezmer-Crossover-Combo.

GUSEN

Gusen Concentration
Camp Memorial,
Appellplatz (150
metres east of the
crematorium)
Georgestraße 7
Upper Austria

17:00

Liberation ceremony at the site of the former Gusen Satellite Camp

The liberation ceremony is dedicated to the theme: "The Roll Call Square. Place of Murder, Place of Torture. What happend here back then? What did the prisoners have to stand here for?"

Our response: Place of Encounter.

At the end of the commemoration, a wreath ceremony will take place near the former crematorium.

SUNDAY, 5 MAY 2024

MAUTHAUSEN

Memorial for Roma and Sinti, Mauthausen Concentration Camp Memorial Erinnerungsstraße 1

Upper Austria

09:00

Commemoration ceremony at the Memorial for Roma and Sinti as a part of the International Liberation and Commemoration Ceremony

As a result of many years of cooperation between the Cultural Association of Austrian Roma and the Central Council of German Sinti and Roma in Heidelberg, the memorial was opened to the public on 9 May 1998 with a festive ceremony. Shortly before the end of the war, on 9 March 1945, 450 female Sinti and Roma and their children were transported from Ravensbrück to Mauthausen. The babies and children were murdered by the National Socialists as soon as they arrived.

Organiser: Cultural Association of Austrian Roma

Memorial plaque for Richard Bernaschek (rear of former infirmary), Mauthausen Concentration Camp Memorial Erinnerungsstraße 1

09:00

Commemoration ceremony for the social democrats murdered in Mauthausen concentration camp

Organiser: Federation of Social Democratic Freedom Fighters, Victims of Fascism and Active Anti-Fascists

Barrack 1, former camp brothel, Mauthausen Concentration Camp Memorial Erinnerungsstraße 1 Upper Austria

Upper Austria

09:00

Anti-fascist feminist women's commemoration: "Visibility against forgetting"

Remembering and commemoration leads to today. In memory of the persecution, murder and resistance of women, lesbians and girls under Nazi fascism.

In memory of the women and girls who were imprisoned at the Mauthausen Concentration Camp, and in memory of the women that were transferred to Mauthausen from the Ravensbrück Concentration Camp in order to be forced into prostitution at the camp brothel.

No more fascism! No more war!

SUNDAY, 5 MAY 2024

MAUTHAUSEN

Wailing wall, memorial plaque for the 42, Mauthausen Concentration Camp Memorial Erinnerungsstraße 1

Upper Austria

09:15

Commemoration ceremony of the KZ-Verband/VdA Upper Austria for the 42 resistance fighters murdered on 28 April 1945

The memorial plaque, which was unveiled in 2001 in memory of the 42 anti-fascists who were gassed on 28 and 29 April 1945, is an important symbol of commemoration for the political resistance in Austria. The majority of the 42 were part of the so-called "Welser Gruppe" which was annihilated by the Gestapo in 1944.

The commemoration ceremony is organised by the KZ-Verband/VdA Upper Austria.

Quarry, Mauthausen Concentration Camp Memorial

Memorial
Erinnerungsstraße 1

10:00

International Youth Commemoration

Chapel at the memorial site

Upper Austria

Upper Austria

Time will be announced Ecumenical service

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11:00

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RIED IN DER RIEDMARK

Memorial stone

Marktplatz

Upper Austria

15:30

Commemoration in remembrance of the "Mühlviertel manhunt"

After the Liberation and Commemoration Ceremony at the Mauthausen Concentration Camp Memorial, there will be a commemoration of the victims of the "Mühlviertel Manhunt" at the memorial in the town of Ried in der Riedmark.

Opening and welcoming speech: MoP Sabine SCHATZ and mayor

Christian TAUSCHEK

Memorial speech: Andreas GRUBER

MELK

Dr.-Josef-Sora-Platz Lower Austria 16:00

Walking tour to the Melk Concentration Camp memorial site

The guided walking tour will lead from Dr.-Josef-Sora-Platz via Melk train station to "Objekt 10" at the site of the former satellite camp, near the Birago military barracks, and then to the Concentration Camp memorial in Melk at the former crematorium (Schießstattweg 2).

The tour will take between 2 and 2.5 hours. Adequate clothing and hiking boots are recommended.

SUNDAY, 5 MAY 2024

MELK

Objekt 10, Birago military barracks (South gate) Prinzlstraße 22 Lower Austria

18:00

Book presentation with music: "The forgotten Raid. Pexonne, 27 August 1944"

Presentation of the German edition of Guillaume MAISSE's book in the presence of the author.

The book is about the raid of Pexonne, a small village in Lorraine, on 27 August 1944. The SS arrested 109 men and three women simply by virtue of suspected support of the French resistance movement. Many were deported to different concentration camps, 43 to the Melk Satellite Camp, where they were forced to work in the tunnel construction. Only four of them survived their time at the Melk Satellite Camp.

Music by Johannes KAMMERER, works of French composers

GROSSRAMING

Regional music school

Kirchenplatz 3

Upper Austria

19:30

Reading from Franz Rieger's book "Schattenschweigen oder

Hartheim"

MONDAY, 6 MAY 2024

VÖCKLABRUCK

Secondary school of the Association for Franciscan education

Graben 13 Upper Austria 10:00

Commemoration ceremony in Vöcklabruck

by students of the ORG Vöcklabruck

MONDAY, 6 MAY 2024

VÖCKLABRUCK

Memorial stone near

the regional sports

centre

Bahnhofstraße/

Schlossstraße

Upper Austria

12:00

Commemoration ceremony at the memorial stone at the site

of the former Vöcklabruck Wagrain Satellite Camp

We will lay down flowers at the memorial stone.

AMSTETTEN

Bildstock.

Eisenreichdornach

access road

Schabfeldstrasse

Lower Austria

10:00

Wreath ceremony in commemoration of the former Amstetten

Satellite Camp

There will be a wreath ceremony as well as ecumenical prayer.

Speeches: Christian HABERHAUER, mayor of the city of Amstetten, representatives of MKÖ and of the federal state of Lower Austria, representatives of Amicale de Mauthausen (Belgium), cultural and

musical program by Amstetten schools

MELK

Objekt 10, Birago

military barracks

(South gate), Melk

Concentration Camp

Memorial

Prinzlstraße 22

Lower Austria

10:30

Commemoration ceremony at the site of the former Melk

satellite camp

The commemoration ceremony for the victims of the Melk Satellite

Camp, which is traditionally visited by survivors of the camp and their families, focuses on the topic of "Law and Justice in National

Socialism".

Text contributions: Students of the Stiftsgymnasium Melk

Musical arrangement: Music Middle School Melk

MONDAY, 6 MAY 2024

STEYR

Concentration Camp

Memorial

Haagerstraße

Upper Austria

17:30

"Law and Justice in National Socialism" - Liberation ceremony at the site of the former Steyr Satellite Camp

Reception: Karl RAMSMAIER, Mauthausen Committee Steyr

Welcoming speech: Markus VOGL, mayor of the city of Steyr

Memorial speech: Alois BIRKLBAUER, professor for criminal law, JKU

Linz

Words of commemoration: Claude SIMON, Amicale de Mauthausen

Biographical footprints Music: I Fisakkordeonisti

Wreath ceremony

Minute of Silence at the concentration camp memorial

In case of bad weather, the liberation ceremony will take place at the

Münichholz fire station, Prinzstraße 1a, 4400 Steyr.

TUESDAY, 7 MAY 2024

WIENER NEUDORE

Concentration Camp

Memorial

Wiener Neudorf at Park

der Erinnerung Eumigweg/

Palmersstraße

Lower Austria

Time will be announced

Wreath ceremony at the concentration camp memorial

LENZING

Memorial stone in

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Pettighofen Liberation ceremony at the site of the former Lenzing Satellite

Agerstraße Ca

Upper Austria with MoP Eva Maria HOLZLEITNER

18:00

TUESDAY, 7 MAY 2024

LENZING

Lichtspiele Lenzing

19:30

Hauptplatz 6

Film screening "Kreis der Wahrheit - Verity Circle"

Upper Austria

The story and life of the sisters Helga and Elisabeth. A journey through

time, from hell into the light.

WEDNESDAY, 8 MAY 2024

ZIPF/VÖCKLABRUCK

Memorial in Zipf

18:00

Langwies 48

Commemoration ceremony at the site of the former Redl-Zipf

Satellite Camp

Upper Austria

Participants to the commemoration ceremony will be ARGE Schlier and students of Neukirchen an der Vöckla Middle School and Timelkam am

Zipf Middle School.

VIENNA

Heldenplatz

19:30

Vienna

Festival of Joy

In memory of the victims and with joy about the liberation from the Nazis' rule of terror, the MKÖ is organising the Festival of Joy for the twelfth time in 2024. This year's Festival of Joy is dedicated to the topic of "Law and Justice in National Socialism".

Over the past eleven years, numerous visitors and virtual participants from Austria and abroad have sent a strong signal for the establishment of a worthy commemoration of 8 May as Liberation Day at the Festival of Joy.

SUNDAY, 12 MAY 2024

GALLNEUKIRCHEN

Memorial for Peace

18:30

Anton-Riepl-Straße/

Commemoration ceremony at the Memorial for Peace

Gallneukirchner Straße

The topical focus of the commemoration in Gallneukirchen is "Humans

- Rights". Everyone has the right to recognition everywhere as a person

before the law (Art. 6 of the UN Convention on Human Rights).

TUESDAY, 14 MAY 2024

VILLACH

Upper Austria

Memorial of Names

18:00

Widmanngasse 35

Annual commemoration ceremony in Villach at the Memorial of Names

Carinthia

The memorial speech will be held my Austrian writer, essayist, and

playwright Antonio FIAN.

WEDNESDAY, 15 MAY 2024

GROSSRAMING

Details about the

09:00

venue: TBA

Excursion to Hartheim Castle Education and Memorial Centre

Upper Austria

LINZ

Chapel of the

19:00

University College of Education Diocese of

"Lichtblicke" - Geh!Denk!Feier! in Linz

Linz

by students of the 4th grade at the Adalbert-Stifter-Praxismittelschule

Salesianumweg 3

in memory of the former Linz II Satellite Camp

Upper Austria

THURSDAY, 16 MAY 2024

ATTNANG-PUCHHEIM

Memorial near the train 18:30

station Wreath ceremony at the concentration camp memorial at

Upper Austria Attnang-Puchheim train station

Cinema 19:15

Mitterweg Commemoration ceremony at the Attnang-Puchheim cinema

Upper Austria Participants in the commemoration: ORG of the Franciscan Sisters

Vöcklabruck, Vocational School Attnang-Puchheim, accordion

orchestra "musica accordis"

Memorial speaker: Franz VRANITZKY, former federal chancellor

THURSDAY, 23 MAY 2024

PRÄBICHL

Skiarena Präbichl **09:45**

Eisenstraße 17th March of Life in memory of the 250 Hungarian Jews who

Styria died in 1945

The 17th March of Life is organised as part of the project "Human rights and democracy as lived everyday culture" for Upper Styrian communities. We will commemorate the 250 Hungarian Jews who died in 1945 and walk along their path together.

The meeting point is at 9.45 am in the Präbichl Skiarena. At 10 am the March of Life will lead via the Almhäuser to the memorial (approx. half an hour's walk).

Please bring a fist-sized stone in memory of the victims. Warm clothing and rain gear are recommended.

THURSDAY, 23 MAY 2024

EISENERZ

Memorial Präbichl 11:00

Passhöhe Präbichl Commemoration ceremony at the memorial

Styria in memory of the 250 Hungarian Jews who died in 1945

FRIDAY, 24 MAY 2024

WEYER-DIPOLDSAU

Memorial Dipoldsau 16:00

Anger Commemoration ceremony at the site of the former Dipoldsau

Upper Austria Satellite Camp

SATURDAY, 25 MAY 2024

MELK

Dr.-Josef-Sora-Platz 14:00

Lower Austria Walking tour to the Melk Concentration Camp Memorial

The guided walking tour will lead from Dr.-Josef-Sora-Platz via Melk train station to "Objekt 10" at the site of the former satellite camp, near the Birago military barracks, and then to the Concentration Camp Memorial in Melk at the former crematorium (Schießstattweg 2).

The tour will take between 2 and 2.5 hours. Adequate clothing and hiking boots are recommended.

FRIDAY, 31 MAY 2024

NEUMARKT

Styria

Schloss Lind/ 20:00

das ANDERE Liberation ceremony at the site of the former Lind Castle

heimatmuseum Satellite Camp

St. Marein 28 Literature & Music: Angelika HAGEN and Andreas SCHREIBER

Angelika HAGEN will present the book "FLUCHT IN DIE FREIHEIT.

Österreichische Juden in Palästina und Israel" (Escape towards

freedom. Austrian Jews in Palestine and Israel) published by herself

and Joanna NITTENBERG.

Musical accompaniment curated specially for this event - a combination of classical music, jazz, and free improvisation by

Angelika HAGEN and Andreas SCHREIBER

MAY/JUNE

WIEN-FLORIDSDORF

Memorial plaque Time will be announced

Hopfengasse 12 Commemoration ceremony at the site of the former

Floridsdorf Satellite Camp

The ceremony starts at the memorial plaque in Hopfengasse and ends

at the memorial stone at the Floridsdorf District Museum.

WEDNESDAY, 5 JUNE 2024

EBENSEE

Vienna

Contemporary 19:00

History Museum & Book presentation at Contemporary History Museum Ebensee

Concentration Camp Georg Friedrich HAAS: "Durch vergiftete Zeiten, Memoiren eines

Memorial Ebensee Nazibuben" (Through Toxic Times; Memoirs of a Nazi Boy)

Kirchengasse 5
Upper Austria

SATURDAY, 8 JUNE 2024

LOIBLPASS STRASSE

Tunnel portal Loibl -North, former forecourt of the Customs office Carinthia

09:00

International Commemoration Ceremony at the site of the former Loibl North Satellite Camp

The commemoration ceremony follows the tradition of trying to anchor this long "forgotten" satellite camp in Carinthia's and Austria's cultural memory. Mauthausen Committee Carinthia/Koroška feels a moral duty towards the victims of Loiblpass Concentration Camps, to tell the story of their suffering and dying, but also to preserve their story of courageous resistance and survival with honour.

Memorial speech: Aron STIEHL, artistic director of Stadttheater Klagenfurt/Celovec

Voices of contemporary witnesses/their descendants: Georg LEXER and Katharina SPRINGER

The ceremony will also feature voices from the youth and a musical program.

Memorial Loibl-Süd Slovenia

11:00

International Liberation Ceremony at the site of the former Loibl South Satellite Camp

FRIDAY, 28 JUNE 2024

KLAGENFURT

Domplatz (Cathedral Square) Karfreitstraße Carinthia 18:00

"Svobodni! Liberated! A Festival in Honour of Resistance" Memorial Kärnten/Koroška invites you to a festival on Klagenfurt Cathedral Square.

SATURDAY, 29 JUNE 2024

BRETSTEIN

Memorial for 11:00

Bretsteingraben Commemoration ceremony at the site of the former Bretstein

satellite camp Satellite Camp

Bretsteingraben 16

Styria

MONDAY, 1 JULY 2024

GOLDEGG

Schloss Goldegg, 19:30

Kemenatensaal "My father, the deserter"

Hofmark 1 Conversation with Peter PIRKER, Reinhold BILGERI, Elfi OBLASSER, and

Salzburg Erhard GASSNER.

Host: Michael KERBLER

TUESDAY, 2 JULY 2024

GOLDEGG

Memorial stone for the 17:00

Goldegg deserters Commemoration ceremony

Hofmark Guard of honour: State governor Wilfried HASLAUER

Salzburg Welcoming speech: Andreas HUSS, chairman of the Austrian Health

Insurance ÖGK, and Hannes RAINER, mayor of Goldegg

Texts about the topic of "Resistance": Michael KÖHLMEIER

Haus Einklang 20:00

Hofmark 150 "Sturmzeit" - songs and texts by Jura Soyfer

Salzburg Sabine HANK and Michael KÖHLMEIER tell the story of Jura SOYFER.

Guests: Reinhold BILGERI and Tini KAINRATH

SUNDAY, 21 JULY 2024

WEIDENBURG

Promoser Alm/ **05:00**

Gedenkkapelle Commemorative walk "Summer of 1944 - Paths of

Carinthia/Friaul (Italy) Remembrance"

On the occasion of the 80th anniversary of the massacre on the civilian population by the National Socialists and fascists on the Italian Carnic Mountain pastures, we will hike to the memorial chapel on the Promoser Alm/Cra. Promosio and on to Timau. We will commemorate the innocent victims at the alpine chapel. Ascent: 1100 metres, descent: 1000 metres, meeting point: Weidenburg fire station at 5:00

am. What's important: This is a long and steep hike. Adequate gear and

fitness are required!

Register via telephone and bring valid ID!

Organisation: Hannes Guggenberger: +43 660 350 32 71

SATURDAY, 21 SEPTEMBER 2024

GRFIFFNBURG

Memorial for the 17:00

victims of National Commemoration ceremony at the memorial for the victims of

Socialism National Socialism

Bahnhofstraße Commemoration of those persecuted during the Nazi era in the Oberes

Carinthia Drautal

SUNDAY, 29 SEPTEMBER 2024

ST. PANTALEON

Memorial Weyer camp

Moosachstraße 18

Upper Austria

17:00

Commemoration ceremony for the victims of St. Pantaleon-

Weyer camp

with wreath ceremony

TUESDAY, 1 OCTOBER 2024

ALKOVEN

Alkoven/Schloss

Hartheim

Schloßstraße 1 Upper Austria Time will be announced

Commemoration ceremony for the victims of Nazi euthanasia

at Hartheim Castle

FRIDAY, 4 OCTOBER 2024

TFRNBFRG

Pfarrbaracke

Spielfeldstraße 1

Upper Austria

18:30

Commemoration ceremony at the site of the former Ternberg

Satellite Camp

in memory of the victims of National Socialism

The commemoration will show that young people in Upper Austria know how to deal sensitively with the past of memorial sites. In addition, the commitment to respect and honour humann dignity an human rights shall also be demonstrated. Together we want to set an

example!

The memorial room is open from 5 pm.

SATURDAY, 26 OCTOBER 2024

KLAGENFURT

Annabichl cemetery

Flughafenstraße 7

Carinthia

10:00

Commemoration ceremony for the victims for a free Austria

The commemoration ceremony takes place in memory of the victims

of the Nazi terror regime in Carinthia.

SATURDAY, 26 OCTOBER 2024

RFICHRAMING

National Park visitors

centre Ennstal

Eisenstraße 75 Upper Austria

11:00

Opening event "Hartheimkünstler" (Hartheim's Artists)

AUTUMN

GOLDEGG

Goldegg Castle

Hofmark 1

Salzburg

Time will be announced

Laying of stumbling stones at Goldegg Castle

FRIDAY, 1 NOVEMBER 2024

HINTFRBRÜHL

Memorial

18:00

Johannesstraße 16-32

Lower Austria

Commemoration ceremony on All Saints Day

SATURDAY, 2 NOVEMBER 2024

PICHL BEI WELS

Pfarrkirche

19:00

Pfarrplatz 1

Requiem in the parish church

Upper Austria

In memory of the children of the "Fremdvölkisches Kinderheim" at

Etzelsdorf Castle

Church cemetery

20:00

Pfarrplatz 1

Upper Austria

Memorial for the victims of the "Fremdvölkisches Kinderheim"

at Etzelsdorf Castle

The commemoration speech will be given by Gabriella HAUCH,

University of Vienna.

FRIDAY, 8 NOVEMBER 2024

GROSSRAMING

Regional music school 19:00

Kirchenplatz 3 Opening event "Hartheimkünstler" (Hartheim's Artists)

Upper Austria

Regional music school 19:30

Kirchenplatz 3 Film screening "Im Museum/T4 - Hartheim 1" (At the

Upper Austria Museum/T4 - Hartheim 1)

Direction and screenplay: Werner KOFLER

SATURDAY, 16 NOVEMBER 2024

LACKENBACH

Burgenland

Memorial for Roma und 11:00

Sinti Commemoration ceremony

Ritzingerstraße 2 Rally and wreath ceremony at the memorial for Roma and Sinti in

Lackenbach in memory of the Roma and Sinti murdered by the National

Socialists.

On 23 November 1940, the Lackenbach Camp, known by the Nazis as the "Gypsy Camp", was established in a former estate. Among the 4,000 Roma and Sinti interned there, 2,000 were deported to the Łódź/Litzmannstadt Ghetto in autumn 1941 and murdered. Only 300 to 400

prisoners survived the liberation by Soviet troops in April 1945.

TUESDAY, 31 DECEMBER 2024

HINTERBRÜHL

Memorial 18:00

Johannesstraße 16-32 Commemoration ceremony on the occasion of the turn of the

Lower Austria **year**







MAUTHAUSEN SATELLITE CAMP APP

Information, photos, videos on the history of the Mauthausen camp system and contributions by CC survivors are available in our free "Mauthausen Satellite Camp" App.

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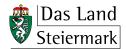






















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