





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

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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).

<u>The legacy of CC survivors (mkoe.at/aams)</u> 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 highranking 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 Wels19:30Rainerstraße 2KLANG ZEICHEN SETZEN - An event against violence onUpper AustriaInternational 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 Klagenfurt	10:00 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 Anton-Riepl-Straße/ Gallneukirchner Straße Upper Austria	19:00 Memorial rally for the "Mühlviertler Manhunt" at the Memorial for Peace The Mauthausen Committee Gallneukirchen invites you to a memorial rally at the Memorial for Peace in Gallneukirchen.
Memorial stone of Diakoniewerk Hauptstraße 3 Upper Austria	19:45 Memorial rally on "Euthanasia murders - unworthy life" at the memorial stone of Diakoniewerk 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 Puchberg Puchberg 1 Upper Austria	19:30 Political Ash Wednesday 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 time- critical 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 Mauthausen	20:00 "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

Bildungshaus Schloss	14:00
Puchberg	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 OHO Lisztgasse 12 Burgenland	17:00 - 20:00 Conference: "Never Again is Now" - RE.F.U.G.I.U.S. Commemoration and remembrance during times of war, hatred, and 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 Geschriebenstein- straße Burgenland	 14:00 Commemoration of all victims of the construction of the South-East Wall 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 Steinamangerstr. 41a Burgenland	 15:15 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

HINTERBRÜHL

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 St. Margarethenstraße 4 Styria	15:00 Memorial trail 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	19:30
Ennsegg	Reading by Jack HERSCH from his book "Escape on the Death
Schloßgasse 4	March"
Upper Austria	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	Time will be announced
Garnisonstraße 20	Commemoration at the Jewish cemetery in Wels
Upper Austria	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	16:00
Lauriacumstraße 4	"David Hersch Memorial March" in Enns and Ennsdorf
Enns	Together we will walk part of the route that David HERSCH had to
Upper Austria	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	19:00
Lauriacumstraße 4	Commemoration of the victims of the Enns death marches at
Enns	the Enns-St. Laurenz Basilica
Upper Austria	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	18:30
Marktplatz	Commemoration ceremony at the site of former St. Aegyd
Lower Austria	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 Roma11:00und SintiCommemoration at the memorial for Roma and SintiIgnaz Rieder Kai 21The Cultural Association of Austrian Roma, in co-operation with theSalzburgSalzburg 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	18:00
Kulturwerkstatt	Panel discussion "The Captivation of Authoritarianism"
Abt Karl-Straße 27a	In commemoration of 80 years since the construction of the Melk
Lower Austria	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

ANSFELDEN

Ansfelden Primary	08:00
School/Kremsbrücke	Never forget - GEH.DENKEN 2024
Ansfelden	"We walk, we think, and we act for Peace." This is the title of the project
Anton-Bruckner-Straße 10	"Human Rights Education - Political Education in Primary Schools"
Upper Austria	focussing 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	18:00 Commemoration 2024: "Everyone is Someone - Law and Justice"
Upper Austria	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

KLAGENFURT

Burghof	16:00
Burggasse 8	Memorial walk for the victims of the NS justice system in
Carinthia	Klagenfurt
	Meeting point: Burghof in Klagenfurt
Regional Court	17:00
Klagenfurt	Memorial walk for the victims of NS justice system in
Josef-Wolfgang-	Klagenfurt
Dobernig-Straße 2	Meeting point: Regional Court Klagenfurt
Carinthia	

SATURDAY, 27 APRIL 2024

FÜRSTENFELD

Memorial to the	12:00 - 13:00
victims of the Nazi	"Law and Justice in National Socialism" - Vigil of the K.Ö.St.V.
death marches of 1945	Riegersburg (MKV) against Neo-Nazism, violence, and
Stadtpark	extremism
Styria	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

WIEN-SIMMERING

Gasthaus "Zur Bast"	Time will be announced
Haidestraße 22,	Commemoration at the former Wien Saurer-Werke Satellite
Oriongasse	Camp
Vienna	

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
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FRIDAY, 3 MAY 2024

GLEISDORF

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ST. VALENTIN

Herzograd Memorial	17:00
Anna-Strasser-Platz	"Law and Justice in National Socialism" - Commemoration
Lower Austria	ceremony in St. Valentin

SPITAL AM PYHRN

St. Leonhard cemetery	17:00
Pyhrnstraße 165	Commemoration ceremony of the victims of National
Upper Austria	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

Memorial Bundesstraße 1 Upper Austria	10:00 "Walk of Solidarity"
KZ Cemetery Upper Austria	10:30 Liberation ceremony at the site of the former Gunskirchen Satellite Camp
MAUTHAUSEN	
Mauthausen Concentration Camp Memorial Erinnerungsstraße 1 Upper Austria	 10:00 - 17:00 Walking tour at the Mauthausen Concentration Camp Memorial and discussion meeting focusing on female 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	
Concentration Camp Memorial Ebensee, Max-Ziegler-Straße Upper Austria	10:30 Liberation ceremony at the site of the former Ebensee Satellite Camp Memorial lecture by Niklas FRANK

SATURDAY, 4 MAY 2024

MELK

Tischlerei Melk	10:30
Kulturwerkstatt	Opening reception of the Street Art Festival "Handreichung" to
Abt Karl-Straße 27a	celebrate 30 years of MERKwürdig
Lower Austria	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	17:00
Camp Memorial,	Liberation ceremony at the site of the former Gusen Satellite
Appellplatz (150	Camp
metres east of the	The liberation ceremony is dedicated to the theme: "The Roll Call
crematorium)	Square. Place of Murder, Place of Torture. What happend here back
Georgestraße 7	then? What did the prisoners have to stand here for?"
Upper Austria	Our response: Place of Encounter.
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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
Upper Austria	
Barrack 1, former camp	09:00

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

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 Erinnerungsstraße 1 Upper Austria	10:00 International Youth Commemoration
Chapel at the memorial site Upper Austria	Time will be announced Ecumenical service

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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-Platz16:00Lower AustriaWalking 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	18:00
military barracks	Book presentation with music: "The forgotten Raid. Pexonne,
(South gate)	27 August 1944"
Prinzlstraße 22	Presentation of the German edition of Guillaume MAISSE's book in the
Lower Austria	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	19:30
Kirchenplatz 3	Reading from Franz Rieger's book "Schattenschweigen oder
Upper Austria	Hartheim"

MONDAY, 6 MAY 2024

VÖCKLABRUCK

Secondary school of	10:00
the Association for	Commemoration ceremony in Vöcklabruck
Franciscan education	by students of the ORG Vöcklabruck
Graben 13	
Upper Austria	

MONDAY, 6 MAY 2024

VÖCKLABRUCK

Memorial stone near	12:00
the regional sports	Commemoration ceremony at the memorial stone at the site
centre	of the former Vöcklabruck Wagrain Satellite Camp
Bahnhofstraße/	We will lay down flowers at the memorial stone.
Schlossstraße	
Upper Austria	

AMSTETTEN

Bildstock,	10:00
Eisenreichdornach	Wreath ceremony in commemoration of the former Amstetten
access road	Satellite Camp
Schabfeldstrasse	There will be a wreath ceremony as well as ecumenical prayer.
Lower Austria	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	10:30
military barracks	Commemoration ceremony at the site of the former Melk
(South gate), Melk	satellite camp
Concentration Camp	The commemoration ceremony for the victims of the Melk Satellite
Memorial	Camp, which is traditionally visited by survivors of the camp and
Prinzlstraße 22	their families, focuses on the topic of "Law and Justice in National
Lower Austria	Socialism".
	Text contributions: Students of the Stiftsgymnasium Melk
	Musical arrangement: Music Middle School Melk

MONDAY, 6 MAY 2024

STEYR

Concentration Camp Memorial Haagerstraße	17:30 "Law and Justice in National Socialism" - Liberation ceremony at the site of the former Steyr Satellite Camp
Upper Austria	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 NEUDORF

Concentration Camp	Time will be announced
Memorial	Wreath ceremony at the concentration camp memorial
Wiener Neudorf at Park	
der Erinnerung	
Eumigweg/	
Palmersstraße	
Lower Austria	

LENZING

Memorial stone in	18:00
Pettighofen	Liberation ceremony at the site of the former Lenzing Satellite
Agerstraße	Camp
Upper Austria	with MoP Eva Maria HOLZLEITNER

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 Langwies 48 Upper Austria	 18:00 Commemoration ceremony at the site of the former Redl-Zipf Satellite Camp 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 Vienna	19:30 Festival of Joy In memory of the victims and with joy about the liberation from the

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
Upper Austria	- 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

Memorial of Names	18:00
Widmanngasse 35	Annual commemoration ceremony in Villach at the Memorial
Carinthia	of Names
Carintina	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	"Lichtblicke" - Geh!Denk!Feier! in Linz
Education Diocese of	by students of the 4th grade at the Adalbert-Stifter-Praxismittelschule
Linz	in memory of the former Linz II Satellite Camp
Salesianumweg 3	
Upper Austria	

THURSDAY, 16 MAY 2024

ATTNANG-PUCHHEIM

Memorial near the train station Upper Austria	18:30 Wreath ceremony at the concentration camp memorial at 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 Eisenstraße Styria	 09:45 17th March of Life in memory of the 250 Hungarian Jews who 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
	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

DrJosef-Sora-Platz	14:00
Lower Austria	Walking tour to the Melk Concentration Camp Memorial
	The guided walking tour will lead from DrJosef-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

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

FRIDAY, 31 MAY 2024

NEUMARKT

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
Styria	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
Vienna	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

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	18:00
(Cathedral Square)	"Svobodni! Liberated! A Festival in Honour of Resistance"
Karfreitstraße	Memorial Kärnten/Koroška invites you to a festival on Klagenfurt
Carinthia	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 Goldegg deserters Hofmark Salzburg	17:00 Commemoration ceremony Guard of honour: State governor Wilfried HASLAUER 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 Hofmark 150 Salzburg	20:00 "Sturmzeit" - songs and texts by Jura Soyfer Sabine HANK and Michael KÖHLMEIER tell the story of Jura SOYFER. Guests: Reinhold BILGERI and Tini KAINRATH

SUNDAY, 21 JULY 2024

WEIDENBURG

Promoser Alm/ Gedenkkapelle	05:00 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

GREIFENBURG

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	17:00
Moosachstraße 18	Commemoration ceremony for the victims of St. Pantaleon-
Upper Austria	Weyer camp
	with wreath ceremony

TUESDAY, 1 OCTOBER 2024

ALKOVEN

Alkoven/Schloss	Time will be announced
Hartheim	Commemoration ceremony for the victims of Nazi euthanasia
Schloßstraße 1	at Hartheim Castle
Upper Austria	

FRIDAY, 4 OCTOBER 2024

TERNBERG

Pfarrbaracke	18:30
Spielfeldstraße 1	Commemoration ceremony at the site of the former Ternberg
Upper Austria	Satellite Camp
	in memory of the victims of National Socialism
	The commemoration will show that young people in Upper Austria
а	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	10:00
Flughafenstraße 7	Commemoration ceremony for the victims for a free Austria
Carinthia	The commemoration ceremony takes place in memory of the victims
	of the Nazi terror regime in Carinthia.

SATURDAY, 26 OCTOBER 2024

REICHRAMING

National Park visitors	11:00
centre Ennstal	Opening event "Hartheimkünstler" (Hartheim's Artists)
Eisenstraße 75	
Upper Austria	

AUTUMN

GOLDEGG

Goldegg Castle	Time will be announced
Hofmark 1	Laying of stumbling stones at Goldegg Castle
Salzburg	

FRIDAY, 1 NOVEMBER 2024

HINTERBRÜHL

Memorial	18:00
Johannesstraße 16-32	Commemoration ceremony on All Saints Day
Lower Austria	

SATURDAY, 2 NOVEMBER 2024

PICHL BEI WELS

Pfarrkirche Pfarrplatz 1 Upper Austria	19:00 Requiem in the parish church In memory of the children of the "Fremdvölkisches Kinderheim" at Etzelsdorf Castle
Church cemetery Pfarrplatz 1 Upper Austria	20:00 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 Kirchenplatz 3 Upper Austria	19:00 Opening event "Hartheimkünstler" (Hartheim's Artists)
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

Memorial for Roma und	11:00
Sinti	Commemoration ceremony
Ritzingerstraße 2	Rally and wreath ceremony at the memorial for Roma and Sinti in
Burgenland	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







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