

Newsletter 11 / 2023

Dear friends of Kultur verbindet e.V.,

We are very pleased that we have found a new volunteer who wants to support us in the field of cultural offers and activities ("Kulturangebote"). Mrs. Donoval moved from Cologne to Bonn a few months ago and found the association via the internet platform nebenan.de. She has extensive experience with children, both privately as a mother and grandmother and professionally, is very open and likes to approach people. We are sure that she will quickly familiarize herself with this task and hope that, thanks to her help, we will be able to organize workshops in museums, excursions and theater visits again in 2024.

Dear mentors, we have an urgent request for you. You know that all the coordinators at the individual schools and also Mrs. Rheingans who organize the project "My First Library (meine erste Bibliothek)" work on a voluntary basis. Therefore, it is all the more incomprehensible when requests for the coordination of appointments or documents required for submission are not responded to. Also, unfortunately, the coordinator is not always informed if there are changes in the contact details or if a new child/mentee is taken in the program, which makes our work unnecessarily difficult.

It is particularly annoying when mentors do not respond to the request to submit a new certificate of good conduct. This has happened several times in the last few weeks and unfortunately always with volunteers who have been with us for five years. After five years, a current certificate of good conduct must be submitted. This is a legal requirement; non-compliance with this regulation by the association is punishable by law and may lead to the withdrawal of any funding.

Therefore, our urgent request: If you receive a letter asking you to apply for a new certificate of good conduct, book an appointment at the Bürgeramt of the district or at the Stadthaus Bonn. If you recieve your certificate of good conduct, immediately send a copy, scan or photo to <u>frauke.rheingans@kulturverbindet-bonn.de</u> or via WhatsApp/Signal to 0163 63 98 552. You can also put a copy of your certificate in our mailbox at Oststraße 4. You save us from having to check with you and reissue the application form.

From our projects

In November, we had invited to the regulars' table. Maja Voss gave a lecture on the topic of "Tips for reading with unenthusiastic readers". All these ideas and suggestions can be implemented in the reading sessions with the children. They are also suitable for children who love to read and bring fresh momentum to the meetings. Attached is the file with the presentation.

At the moment, various meetings for our volunteers are taking place. In the next two weeks, the reading mentors of the Elsa Brändström School, the Andreas School and the Lyngsberg School will meet. This will be followed by a meeting at the Erich Kästner School at the beginning of December. The meetings serve as an opportunity for our volunteers to exchange ideas with each other. Especially the new volunteers can get practical information from the "old hands". These meetings are important for the association, as they make us aware of problems and issues that we can help solve.

On November 23rd, we started our project "I shape my own future" ("meine Zukunft gestalte ich selbst") in the Medinghoven district. Every fortnight we will offer open workshops on the topics of sustainability, climate change and environmental protection in the rooms of the Martin-Bucer-Haus (Stresemannstr.). The workshops are to be continued next year; Naziha Hasan is currently preparing the new offers for the period from January to the Easter holidays. In the districts of Pennenfeld and Dransdorf, we will also continue to offer these workshops in 2024.



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Hier wurden Waffeln mit Muskatkürbis gemacht. Sehr zu empfehlen!

Tips for reading and leisure

For those who would like to immerse themselves in what life was like the past, namely in a village 100 years ago, the "Advent for all the senses" on 2 and 3 December in the LVR open-air museum in Kommern is just right. The museum invites you to a pre-Christmas experience of a completely different kind. Christmas music can be heard in the village museum houses. Blacksmith, weaver and stonemason show off their skills. And the classic Advent scents such as baked apples and freshly baked cookies are also catered for.

December 2nd and 3rd | 10 to 18:00 Fee: $9,50 \in | 8,50 \in | 7,50 \in$ Admission for children and young people under the age of 18 free Parking: 3,00 €

Directions:

Take the <u>Deutsche Bahn</u> to Mechernich station Take <u>bus line 773 (PDF, 0.06 MB)</u> from Mechernich train station to the LVR open-air museum in Kommern. Buses run every hour between 9:15 a.m. and 3:15 p.m. (outbound) and 10:30 a.m. - 6:30 p.m. (return).

Dates

Saturday, 02.12.2023, 11 - 13:00: Salon 53177, Am Fronhof 1, Bad Godesberg. Make small gifts. For children aged 6 - 12 years. (see attachment to this newsletter).

Christmas holidays NRW: 21.12.2023 - 05.01.2024. The first day of school after the holidays is Monday, 08.01.2024.

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