



Summer events begin with our first Lawn Café

The GAI grounds were in full bloom for our first in-person event at the Haus this summer. Friends reconnected while enjoying *Kaffee und Kuchen*, cello music, and a beautiful and relaxing setting on the lawn. Thanks to the Haus & Grounds team, the lawns were lush and dotted with colorful flowers. Many participants wore their *Dirndl* face masks with pride (removing them to enjoy their *Schwarzwälder Kirschtorte* or *Apfelstrudel!*) Our next outdoor event is a concert by Makam Baklava Turkish Music Ensemble on August 22. Details below!

EVENTS

Makam Baklava Turkish Music
Saturday, August 22

Oktoberfest Lite
Saturday, September 19 (pick-up only)
Sunday, September 20 (on-site only)

FALL CLASSES

ADULTS

Fall registration opens August 3

KIDS

Samstagsschule registration opens August 3



Makam Baklava

Turkish Music on the Lawn

Saturday, August 22 | 6:30–8:30 PM | Germanic-American Institute

Save the date for a summer evening lawn concert with GAI favorite, Makam Baklava Turkish Music Ensemble. Orhan Ucer, Nickolai Kolarov, and friends will play spirited music that connects us to our friends across the Atlantic. Enjoy the music from our socially-distanced chairs or on your own blanket or lawn chair. Everyone is welcome to bring their own non-alcoholic beverages and snacks. \$10 per person, registration required. Registration opens August 1 at gai-mn.org/turkishconcert.





Street Art and George Floyd—a new multimedia project from the GAI

Throughout the world, people continue to react to the death of George Floyd at the hands of the police in Minneapolis on May 25, 2020. From taking to the streets in protest, to re-examining long-held beliefs about racism and systems of justice, a global movement is calling for social justice and equality. Street art has played an important role in this movement—as an outlet for citizens to express their grief, outrage, and hope about the future. This street art has been created on the sides of local businesses, street corners, plywood covering broken windows, and more, from neighborhoods in Minneapolis to countries around the world.

Recently, our team at the Germanic-American Institute connected with the local scholars and students at St. Thomas University who created the Urban Art Mapping George Floyd and Anti-Racist Street Art database. This database serves as an important resource for communities and scholars around the street art—locally and internationally—and the issues it explores. From breathtaking murals created by teams of professional artists to poignant graffiti, this collection captures the breadth of street art that has been created in response to this moment.

ONLINE GALLERY: gai-mn.org/streetartgallery

The gallery on the GAI's website represents a selection of street art from the database with works by local street artists and community members in Minneapolis and St. Paul, Minnesota. For the full database, see georgefloydstreetart.omeka.net

PODCAST: gai-mn.org/Podcast

Our latest episode of the GAI's podcast, Hier & There, features an interview with Dr. Heather Shirey, Dr. Todd Lawrence, and student researcher Chioma Uwagwu, curators of the Urban Art Mapping George Floyd and Anti-Racist Street Art database.

VIDEO: bit.ly/2X2xq5n

Visit the GAI's YouTube channel for a video introduction to the street art database and recent developments in street art around the world.



Bisignano, Italy



Mauerpark, Berlin



Bethlehem



About the project

The GAI's multimedia street art project was inspired by the Goethe-Institut's #artbits blog, a photo collection and series of articles about street art discoveries and artists in cities throughout Mexico, Canada, and the U.S. To learn more about #artbits, please visit: bit.ly/2OKPOGJ. As a Goethe-Institut *Kulturgesellschaft*, the GAI has been a close collaborating partner of the Goethe-Institut on a wide array of educational and cultural programs.

FALL SESSION

German language classes

Schnupperkurs Intro to German sampler class

Saturday, August 29 at 10 AM and Tuesday, September 1 at 7 PM

Try us with a one-session sampler class—now live online! Led by one of our experienced language instructors, you will learn some basic German words and phrases in a fun and relaxed atmosphere. The session is 90 minutes long and will be limited to 12 participants. You may apply the \$10 fee to registration in one of our upcoming online or in-person classes.

Register at gai-mn.org/schnupperkurs

Learn Deutsch@Home via Zoom online classes

Registration opens August 3 | Classes begin September 14

Our popular online-only classes offer the same high-quality German instruction as our in-person sessions. Learn from experienced language instructors (via live online-classes) from the convenience of your home—whether you live here in Minnesota, or half-way around the globe.

Register at gai-mn.org/Deutsch@home

Fall classes at the GAI Haus

Registration opens August 3 | Classes begin September 14

Fall class options include START 123 for beginners and courses for intermediate and advanced students. These classes will follow social distancing protocols while offering in-person interactions with your instructor and classmates.

Register at gai-mn.org/Fall-2020

Oberstufe Leistungskurs C+ level at the GAI Haus

Registration opens August 3 | Classes begin September 12

For advanced students, the theme will be current events, touching on topics including Germany's leadership of the EU Council, the global pandemic, US–Europe relations, and more!

Register at gai-mn.org/Fall-2020

Samstagsschule (Saturday School) for kids and teens

Saturday School classes for ages four through high school return for fall!

The program is built around natural acquisition of language in an interactive, fun environment. Beginning to advance levels offered for all age groups.

Register at gai-mn.org/children

Climate Kids Workshop for Teens

Registration is open | Workshop begins September 19

An interactive climate and culture workshop leading to a Klimagipfel (Climate Summit) in December. The course is designed for young people, ages 12–16, with basic knowledge of German (Level 2/A2 or higher).

Register at gai-mn.org/German-and-Science-Workshops



SUMMER TRADITIONS

This podcast makes a splash with topics such as summer escapes, pool culture, and Eurovision. Learn about Summer Camps and Samstagsschule first-hand from nine-year-old Kaspar and hear details about language classes resuming at the Haus.

Also, see page 3 for information about the George Floyd street art project podcast.

Listen at gai-mn.org/Podcast



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Support the GAI and celebrate Oktoberfest!

Oktoberfest Lite will take place at the GAI the weekend of September 19 and 20. Pick up an Oktoberfest kit on Saturday for a party at home, or reserve a kit and a spot at a table on the GAI grounds for one of two seatings on Sunday. Registration opens mid-August at gai-mn.org/OktoberfestLite.