



"It is a terrible spectacle when the irrational becomes popular."

-German Nobel Prize in Literature laureate Thomas Mann in his famous speech at the Library of Congress in 1943

he GAI, in partnership with the German Program at Carleton College and Arts at Carleton, presents *Thomas Mann: Democracy Will Win!*, a national touring exhibition which will be on display at Carleton's campus in Northfield from Thursday, May 4 through Wednesday, May 31.

This unique exhibition explores the political journey of Thomas Mann, from a monarchist to a vocal opponent of National Socialism and an ardent supporter of democracy. It connects his life to ongoing debates on both sides of the Atlantic and features pivotal historical moments, such as the Selma to Montgomery Marches, the Monday demonstrations in East Germany, right-wing terror after the end of the Cold War, the March for Our Lives, the legalization of same-sex marriage, UN climate summits, and the Black Lives Matter movement. The exhibit engages in essential debates about democracy, resistance movements, and social justice. **Learn more at gaimn.org/thomas-mann**.

EXHIBIT OPENING AND PERFORMANCE Sunday, May 7 | 11:00 AM-12:00 PM Weitz Center for Creativity at Carleton College

The opening of *Thomas Mann: Democracy Will Win!* will feature a performance and remarks by Emmy Award winning actor, vocalist, arts educator, and community organizer T. Mychael Rambo. The exhibition will be introduced by Assistant Professor of German at Carleton College Dr. Juliane Schicker, the GAI's Language Education Specialist Dr. Katrin Erdmann, and Carleton's Puzak



T. Mychael Rambo

Family Director of the Arts, Steve Richardson. This exhibit opening event and reception is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served.

More info at gaimn.org/exhibit-opening

EVENTS

MAY 4-31

Thomas Mann exhibition

MAY 7

Thomas Mann opening event

MAY 9

Stammtisch Curbside

MAY 11

DAAD Study Abroad info session

MAY 13

Spring Cleanup event

MAY 21

Challenges Facing German Nationals info session

LEARN GERMAN

Adults

Spring Session registration open

Kids and Teens

Summer camps registration open

GAI GRUPPEN

MAY 13

Haus & Grounds Spring Cleanup

MAY 15

GAI Damenklub

MAY 17

Deutscher Sprachklub (summer date)

MAY 20

Modelleisenbahn Gruppe



May Stammtisch Tuesday, May 9 | 11:30-noon

Das Menü: Boneless chicken breast in asparagus sauce, noodles, steamed broccoli, and fruit tart for dessert. Pick up your meal between 11:30 and noon. Please call the office at 651.222.7027 or e-mail office@gaimn.org to RSVP by 3 p.m. on Wednesday, May 3. \$14 for lunch and dessert.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Spring Clean-Up Day Saturday, May 13 | 9 AM-Noon

Join us for the annual Haus & Grounds Spring Clean-Up event! Projects include raking, trimming, garden preparation, and repairs both inside and outside the Haus. We'll finish with lunch, beer, and social time. For more info, contact Jim Gruetzman at jgruetzman@gaimn.org.



Info session with Barbara Müller Sunday, May 21 | 1-2 PM | Zoom

In this virtual presentation, Barbara Müller, Honorary Consul of the Federal Republic of Germany, will cover topics of importance to German nationals living in the United States. Includes a Q & A component—please come with questions. \$5, registration is required. Register at gaimn.org/challenges



GAI night with MNUFC Wednesday, June 28 | 7:30 PM

Minnesota United soccer club will host FC Kaiserslautern of the 2. Bundesliga for an international friendly at Allianz Field. Pick a side (or cheer for both) and join us in the GAI section in your full German gear! Our discounted tickets (\$35 for all seats) are available on a first come, first served basis, so make sure you get yours right away. gaimn.org/calendar/minnesota-united



Deutsche Tage 2023— GERMAN INNOVATION Saturday, June 10 | 11 AM-9 PM Sunday, June 11 | 11 AM-5 PM

This year's Deutsche Tage will highlight **German Innovation**. From medical to technological to edible and wearable—Germany is an engine of invention! You'll also find the tried and true favorites that have us looking forward to Deutsche Tage all year: musical entertainment, cold Paulaner beer on tap, *Kaffee und Kuchen*, German food vendors, and old and new friends. Find the details at **gaimn.org/deutschetage**.

Volunteer at Deutsche Tage!

Join our crew of fun-loving and hard-working event volunteers. There are jobs for many interests and abilities—learn more by clicking on the volunteer link at **gaimn.org/deutschetage**.



Deutsche Tage Personal Sponsorship

Deutsche Tage is the anchor of the GAI's cultural programing and a cherished tradition for many.

Each year we rely on our Personal Sponsors to help us share Germanic culture with our region. Please consider becoming a Personal Sponsor for \$100 per person. Along with recognition at the event, sponsors will get VIP gift bags containing authentic German gift items, an alcohol wristband and two free drinks. Sponsors may mail a check or pay securely online at gaimn.org/DTVIP. Herzlichen Dank im voraus!

GAI GERMAN LANGUAGE PROGRAMS



Study in Germany Info Night with DAAD

For teachers and families with upper middle school to high school students Thursday, May 11 \mid 6–7 PM \mid Zoom

Germany is one of the most popular study abroad destinations. Join us for a virtual information session to find out all about studying in Germany. DAAD representative Hanni Geist will explain what you need to prepare for your international study experience, how to find a study program, what requirements there are and how the application process works. There will be 15 minutes reserved for Q&A. Held online via Zoom.

Register at gaimn.org/calendar/daad-info-night

German for Lunch—Book Discussion

Read and discuss *Die Entdeckung der Currywurst* by Uwe Timm 4 Wednesdays, May 3–24 | noon to 1 PM | Zoom For levels B1–B2

In his attempt to uncover the origin of the *Currywurst*, the narrator is led to Frau Brücker, an elderly woman living in a senior residence. Frau Brücker tells him the story of her life and of a love affair with a young boatswain who hides in her apartment toward the end of World War II. Frau Brücker conceals from the young man that the war is over and Hermann doesn't actually need to hide in her apartment anymore. Read and discuss this beautiful, bittersweet love story. Register at gaimn.org/adults

Summer camps

Add a GAI German camp to your child's summer fun! Our half-day week long camps (with optional extended care) immerse campers in themes such as *Kinder in der Küche, Märchen, Workshop KREATIV, All Things Bauen, Eine Bunte Woche,* and more. German beginners to bilingual children are welcome.

Learn more at gaimn.org/camps

AROUND THE HAUS

Haus & Grounds April work session

Join us for our annual Spring Clean-up event on Saturday, May 13 from 9 a.m. to noon. Projects include raking, trimming, garden preparation, and repairs both inside and outside the Haus. Get more information about helping maintain the GAI Haus and grounds, please contact Jim Gruetzman at jgruetzman@gaimn.org or call the GAI office at 651.222.7027.

LANGUAGE PROGRAMS FOR ALL AGES



Fall openings at our Minneapolis location

Families looking for quality preschool should look no further than the GAI's German Immersion Preschool! The Kinderstube program focuses on experiential learning in a play-based, German immersion preschool setting modeled after a combination of the German Kita and the American licensed preschool program. Learn more at gaimn.org/kinderstube



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GAI Member Deals

MN Opera Ordway Series

Get a 35% discount on up to four tickets to the opera, *Don Giovanni*, at the Ordway Theater from May 6 to 21, 2023.

Buy tickets at gaimn.org/membership. Promo code GAI35

Language classes

Members get discounts on language classes year-round. Learn more at gaimn.org/adult NONPROFIT ORG U.S. POSTAGE PAID PERMIT NO. 1388 TWIN CITIES, MN

Bus Tour to New Ulm

Tuesday, July 18, 2023 | 7:30 AM-9 PM

Our day trip to New Ulm, Minnesota is packed with things to see and do. The guided tour begins with a reception and refreshments at the Chamber of Commerce followed by a tour of the town and historic sites by bus. Lunch is at historic Turner Hall, then the Wanda Gag House, Schell's Brewery tour and beer tasting, and Minnesota's Largest Candy Store! Dinner is at Jordan Supper Club. The price includes everything except drinks at lunch and dinner.

7:30 AM depart from the GAI 9 PM arrive back at the GAI \$170 for GAI members, \$185 for non-members Register by Friday, June 30

Learn more at gaimn.org/New-Ulm or call the office at 651.222.7027.