

Help us fill our mug of *Glühwein* with a donation to the GAI today!

We've turned the page on our calendars to 2024 and with this new year comes the excitement of a fresh beginning to all our upcoming events, programming, and a very hopeful outlook for the GAI.

We've had an incredible outpouring of support from our donors as 2023 came to a close. If you've donated in support of our Annual Fund this year, herzlichen Dank!

The GAI is getting close to our goal of \$120,000, but we're not there just yet. As the Annual Fund campaign comes to a close, your support is so important for us to reach our goal.

It's the final stretch to raise \$23,000. Can we depend on you to bring us over the finish line?

To make a donation, please visit **gaimn.org/annualfund** or mail a tax-deductible donation to 301 Summit Ave, St. Paul, MN 55102. *Vielen Dank!*

Be our Valentine

February Stammtisch

Tuesday, February 13

Eat at the Haus or pick up your meal for this special Valentine's Day Stammtisch. On the menu: Hungarian Goulash, Spaetzle, peas and carrots, and dessert.



Curbside: Pick up between 11:30 a.m. and noon in the back parking lot. \$14

Dine in: Meal begins at 12:15 p.m. \$20 (includes one beverage—beer, wine, soda, or bubbly water—in addition to coffee and water)

Please call the office at 651.222.7027 or e-mail office@gaimn.org to RSVP by 3 p.m. on Wednesday, February 7.

EVENTS

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Global Fanfare: Nordic World Cup

FFBRUARY 22

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Wine Workshop

MARCH 7

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MARCH 9

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KIDS AND TEENS

Samstagsschule in session

GAI GRUPPEN

FEBRUARY 17

Modelleisenbahn Gruppe

FEBRUARY 19

GAI Damenklub

FEBRUARY 21

Deutscher Sprachklub

HAUS & GROUNDS

February Work Session

The next Haus & Grounds
Saturday work session is February
10th. The work session begin at
9 a.m. and ends around noon with
lunch and beer! This month we
will work on general maintenance
and painting.

Did you know Haus & Grounds also meets most weeks on Thursday mornings?

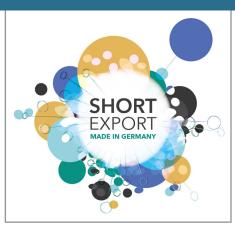
If you would like to volunteer or for more information on about current or upcoming work, please contact Jim Gruetzman at jgruetzman@gaimn.org or call the GAI office at 651.222.7027

UPCOMING EVENTS



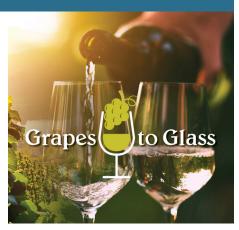
Global Fanfare: German Cheering Section at the Nordic World Cup February 17+18

Gear up for an exhilarating winter experience as the COOP FIS Cross-Country World Cup descends upon Minneapolis! While tickets to this event are already sold out, the GAI has a limited number of free tickets for fans eager to form an enthusiastic cheering section for the German team! Learn more at gaimn.org/global-fanfare



Kinoabend: Short Export February 22 | 6:30-8 PM

Join us for this curated collection of German short films. Selected from more than 470 entries to the Clermont-Ferrand International Short Film Festival, the six German short films in this unconventional program give us an insight into the broad artistic, esthetic, and thematic variety of contemporary German short film. Learn more at gaimn.org/short-export



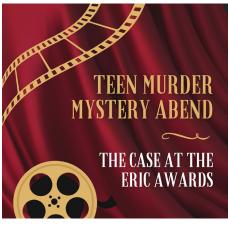
Grapes to Glass: German Wine Workshop March 1 | 6–8 PM

Take a tour of the 13 German wine regions and learn about what makes them special. You'll sample wines from at least five regions, some featured from the vineyards we'll visit on our August German Wine Tour! Sommelier & German Wine Ambassador Amy Waller will be your guide through the exciting world of German wines. Learn more at gaimn.org/wine-workshop



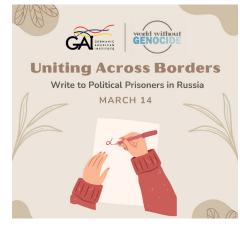
Walker Art Center Tour: Multiple Realities March 7 | 10 AM-12 PM

Join us for an exclusive group tour of Multiple Realities: Experimental Art in the Eastern Bloc, 1960s–1980s at the Walker Art Center. Multiple Realities sheds light on ways that artists refused, circumvented, eluded, and subverted official systems, in the process creating works often riddled with wit, humor, or irony. Learn more at gaimn.org/multiple-realities



Teen Murder Mystery Abend March 9 | 6-8 PM

THE most important movie gala of the year is taking place tonight in Berlin Babelsberg: The Eric Awards. Guests are coming dressed to the nines and discussing future projects. Unfortunately, one of the winners was killed in a car accident the night before. But was it really an accident? Mingle with the guests auf deutsch and find out. Learn more at gaimn.org/teen-mystery-abend



Partner Event: Uniting Across Borders March 14 | 6–8 PM

Write letters to political prisoners in Russia who are detained for protesting the war in Ukraine. This prisoner support strives to build and preserve democracy. Prisoners who get letters receive better treatment because the guards know that the prisoners aren't alone. All materials will be provided, registration is not required. Learn more at gaimn.org/uniting-across-borders



For Adults

Märchenkurs: Es war einmal...Once upon a time (Level B1 and up) Wednesdays, starting January 31 | 6:30-8 PM

In this course, students will read and listen to all sorts of fairy tales and discuss the variety of typical fairy tale characters and tropes. We will dissect why these stories are so important for children and adults alike and talk about our favorite tales.

This course is intended for students who have at least B1 level competency. Meets for 5 weeks via Zoom.

Register at gaimn.org/special-programs

Filmkurs: Der Zweite Weltkrieg, die DDR, und Träume und Talent (Level C1 and up)

Thursdays, starting February 15 | 6:30-8 PM

Schauen Sie gerne deutschsprachige Filme? In diesem Kurs besprechen wir: Das Leben der Anderen (2006), Goodbye Lenin 2003), Der Untergang (2004), Die Fälscher (2007) und Das Wunder von Bern (2003). Sie schauen die Filme vor den jeweiligen Unterrichtsstunden an, dann besprechen wir sie gemeinsam in der Stunde und machen Aktivitäten dazu!

This course is intended for students who have at least C1 level competency. Meets for 5 weeks via Zoom.

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For kids and teens

German Storytime

Every third Saturday of the month | 11-11:45 AM

Next storytime on February 17

Join for a fun-filled storytime *auf deutsch*. Children and their families will immerse themselves in stories, songs and activities that foster language skills. The storytime will be conducted in German and is geared towards children who

have German as a home language, have been exposed to German through classes or immersion programs, or have at least basic knowledge of the German language.

Learn more gaimn.org/storytime

Summer Camps

Registration opens February 2!

Campers will explore themes such as art, cooking, science, adventure games and more during our week-long camps. Ages 5 to 16 years old. German beginners to bilingual campers are welcome!

Learn more gaimn.org/camps

Hiring Lead Preschool Teacher

Kinderstube German Immersion Preschool is hiring! We are looking for someone who loves German language and culture and is committed to providing a quality preschool experience for children and families.

Learn more at gaimn.org/employment



Fall Registration open at Kinderstube Preschool

Families looking for quality preschool should look no further than the GAI's German Immersion Preschool. The Kinderstube program focuses on a social-emotional approach that offers playbased learning in a fun environment, while also preparing children for future academics.

Learn more at gaimn.org/kinderstube



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Enjoy stunning vineyard views and the best wines Germany has to offer as we visit the regions of Franken, Pfalz, Mosel, and Rheingau! We'll be traveling with a personal tour guide, and joined by sommelier Amy Waller of the German Wine Collection. This 10-day tour will give a deep introduction to local varietals and winemaking traditions.

Along the way, we'll visit spectacular sites throughout these four regions, including a hike through the steepest vineyard in Europe, a visit to the infamous Rheingau Wine Festival, and exclusive access to some of the best vineyards, cellars and tasting rooms in Germany.

Hosted by Ed-Ventures, curated by the GAI in partnership with sommelier Amy Waller of the German Wine Collection.

Learn more gaimn.org/german-wine-tour

GAI Member Deals

Brueske's Bread

Enjoy \$5 off your first order of artisan bread from Brueske's Bread. Pre-order by Thursday, February 15th at the link below and use discount code **gaimember**. Pick up your fresh German breads, rolls, or pretzels at the GAI on Saturday, February 17th between 10AM-12PM. **Pre-order at brueskesbread.com**

Waldmann Brewery and Wurstery Buy one/get one beer at Waldmann

Brewery and Wurstery—year round! One per member. Members must show their membership confirmation email with member ID and expiration date.

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