

Geschäftsstelle

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Dear Ladies and Gentlemen, dear members and friends,

in the years 1941/42 about 25,000 Jewish citizens were deported from their towns to Riga. The "[German Riga Committee](#)", an association of cities currently consisting of more than 60 cities, was founded on May 23, 2000 with the aim of commemorating the fate of these people. The commemoration also includes the more than 26,000 Latvian Jewish victims of the Riga Ghetto who were murdered in Rumbula on November 30, 1941, the so-called "Riga Bloody Sunday", and the days following.

Also from Detmold more than 30 people of Jewish faith were deported to Riga on December 13, 1941. None of them survived. A detailed account is offered in the article by Gudrun Mitschke-Buchholz "[Abgemeldet in den Osten' - Zum 80. Jahrestag der Deportation von jüdischen Menschen aus Detmold nach Riga am 13. Dezember 1941](#)".

On September 10, 2020, the council of the city of Detmold unanimously passed a resolution to join the German Riga Committee.

80 years after the deportation of these people and 22 years after the foundation of the "German Riga Committee" different organizers of the city of Herford, also member of the Riga Committee, dedicate themselves to this topic and invite to the exhibition opening in the Kreishaus:

Tuesday, May 24, 2022, 17:00

Exhibition opening: Riga. Deportations - crime scenes - cultures of memory

A multimedia exhibition

In December 1941, people of Jewish faith from Bünde, Herford and Vlotho, among others, were deported to the Latvian capital Riga. After their arrival, they were interned in

the ghetto or in one of the many camps around Riga under cruel conditions that are hard to imagine, and exploited as forced laborers. Most of them were murdered in mass shootings in the Bikernieki forest.

80 years after the deportation of these people, the exhibition is dedicated to this topic.

We would like to invite you to join us for the opening of the exhibition on 24.05.2022 at 5 pm. This will be accompanied by lectures by Winfried Nachtwei and Christoph Laue. We will meet directly at the Kreishaus in Herford. If you do not have a ride, please feel free to call us (AB 05231 8788562) or email us and we will try to arrange a ride for you.

You can find more information about the exhibition

here: <https://www.volksbund.de/nachrichten/von-ort-zu-ort-erinnern-an-riga>.

Arbeit und Leben im Kreis Herford DGB VHS e.V. mit Volksbund Deutsche Kriegsgräberfürsorge e.V. in Westfalen-Lippe, Arbeit und Leben Bielefeld e.V., Kuratorium Erinnern Forschen Gedenken e.V.

Kreishaus Herford, Foyer, Amtshausstr. 2, 32051 Herford

We would also like to draw your attention to further events:

Tuesday, April 12, 2022 - Sunday, May 22, 2022

Touring exhibition "More than you know - closer than you think"

presents object stories from Nazi memorials and memorial sites in North Rhine-Westphalia

The stories tell of people to whom the objects belonged, from whom they were stolen, or who saved them for the present. Over time, they changed their meaning. Some were once an important part of religious celebrations. The others helped quite practically in everyday life. Some things were toys, some were jewelry. Today, they all have the same function: to keep the memory alive, either of people who were persecuted by National Socialists or to give a face to the former perpetrators, so that lessons can be learned from a burdened past.

There is a memorial behind every object. They are the ones who preserve the objects and their history. Often the exhibits came to the facilities in a roundabout way. Thus, the objects are representative of the mission of their repositories: to confront the past again and again and to ask about its significance for the present.

The exhibition is presented by the Landeszentrale für politische Bildung Nordrhein-Westfalen together with the Arbeitskreis der NS-Gedenkstätten und -Erinnerungsorte in NRW e.V.. The Frenkel-Haus Memorial is a member of the working group and participates in the exhibition with a special object: the shofar horn from the former Lemgo synagogue. This Jewish ritual object was taken by the Shoah survivor Shmuel Raveh after the end of the war. His wife Karla Raveh brought the shofar from Israel back to her hometown Lemgo at the end of the 1980s.

Landeszentrale für politische Bildung in enger Zusammenarbeit mit dem Arbeitskreis der NS-Gedenkstätten und -Erinnerungsorte NRW

Museum Hexenbürgermeisterhaus in Lemgo

Monday, May 02, 2022 - Saturday, June 04, 2022

Jews in North Lippe

A two-part exhibition project on Jewish family biographies and places of Jewish history from the 18th to the 20th century

The exhibition project "Jews in North Lippe" is a continuation of two exhibitions by **Jürgen Scheffler** about the history of the Jewish Hochfeld family at the Städtisches Museum Hexenbürgermeisterhaus in Lemgo in 2017 and at the "Johannesburg Holocaust & Genocide Centre" (South Africa) in 2019. The thematic focus in 2022 is especially on the aspects of the family history connected to the North Lippe communities and the town of Barntrop.

The exhibition project consists of two exhibition parts:

The traveling exhibition "The Hochfelds and their relatives. Jewish Family Stories from North Lippe from the Late 18th to the 20th Century".

The exhibition "Places of Jewish History in the Bega- and Extertal" in the Europawaggon of the Landeseisenbahn Lippe e.V.. Eight places of Jewish history along the railroad line between Lemgo and Bösingfeld are presented. This is a test for an unusual approach to the history of regional Jewry in Lippe.

Further information can be found on the homepage of the Kulturstellwerk Nordlippe (<https://www.kulturstellwerk-nordlippe.de/2022/04/01/wanderausstellung-juden-in-nordlippe/>) and here (<https://www.alltagskultur.lwl.org/de/blog/juden-in-nordlippe/>).

Kulturstellwerk Nordlippe an der Bahnmeisterei Farmbeck (Industriestraße 2, Dörentrup)

Friday, May 06, 2022, 16:00

Reading Circle

To be spoken about, "Everything We Don't Remember: Walking My Father's Escape Route" by Christiane Hoffmann

The author is known primarily for her journalistic work and is a frequent guest on various talk shows (Maybritt Illner, Markus Lanz, etc.). Hoffmann repeats her father's escape route: 550 km on foot from Silesia to the West.

The book has just been published in February and is therefore only available in hardback (22 €).

New members are always welcome in the reading circle, but they should register by mail to the society (gfcjz-lippe@t-online.der).

The reading circle is organized by Ulrike Blanke-Wiesekopfsieker

Gemeindehaus der Versöhnungskirche, Detmold, Martin-Luther-Straße

Thursday, May 19, 2022, 19:00

Walter Kaufmann - What a life!

Cinema documentary by Karin Kaper and Dirk Szuszies

On May 19 at 7 p.m., a special screening of the cinema documentary "Walter Kaufmann - What a Life!" by Karin Kaper and Dirk Szuszies will be held in honorable memory of Walter Kaufmann, who died in Berlin on April 15, 2021, at the age of 97. The documentary will be shown in the presence of the director. For more information [here](#).

In cooperation with the Council for Diversity, Tolerance and Respect Bad Salzuflen

Bad Salzufler Kino Filmbühne - Brüderstr. 9-11, 32105 Bad Salzuflen

Sunday, May 29, 2022, 11:00

City walk in Detmold: On Jewish traces

Guide: Gudrun Mitschke-Buchholz

For centuries, Jews helped shaping life and its changes in Detmold. They left their traces, cultivated their traditions, were neighbors, friends, business partners and part of the city's society - until all this ceased to apply and their living environments were destroyed. This tour is intended to contribute to seeing Detmold with different eyes, to raise awareness of the loss and to think about the Jewish cultural heritage with its people, their testimonies and also the irretrievable loss. On display are sites of religious culture, commercial buildings formerly owned by Jews, places of public remembrance and also of state persecution.



The tour lasts about 1 ½ - 2 hours, the cost is 5 € per person, reduced 2 € per person

Meeting point: Townhall Detmold, open staircase

Sunday, June 26, 2022, 11:00

Guided Tour of the Jewish Cemetery in Detmold

Guide: Volker Buchholz

Please note: Men will need a kippah or other head covering!



Regular fee € 5, reduced fee 2 €

The group will meet at the entrance of the cemetery at Spitzenkamptwete, opposite No. 35.

For you all warm regards - on behalf of the entire board

Kristina Panchyrz