

# Work camps in Germany – summer 2019

## Otterstadt / Rhineland-Palatine

16.06. – 29.06.2019

10 Volunteers

25.08. – 07.09.2019

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PROJECT: The association "Naturspur" is involved in ecological and educational projects in youth work and adult education. With children, parents and other interested people, natural playgrounds are developed and designed in a participative process. On a former sports ground in Otterstadt a nature experience area was created, which offers ideal conditions as an area for experiencing nature during various educational events. Emphasis is placed on ecological construction methods and the use of regional building materials. During the construction camp in spring, a model school garden is to be planned and laid out. For this purpose, raised beds, a tool shed, benches and work tables are to be built. Further tasks, which will be done in the spring and summer camp, are the dismantling of wooden huts, the new planting and setting of woods as a basic framework, the care of all horticulturally arranged surfaces, the sawing of firewood and the artistic design of existing building elements with paint and wood.

WORK: Work with natural stone, landscape, carpentry and joinery work, gardening, clay construction.

BOARD AND LODGING: Accommodation in construction wagons on the premises (on camp beds), separate rooms for men and women possible by arrangement, showers and toilets in the clubhouse on the premises. The volunteers help with the preparation of the meals (cooking service), meals mainly vegetarian, internet connection available, no washing machine.

## Kalbe / Saxony-Anhalt

30.06. – 13.07.2019

9 Volunteers

PROJECT: The "artist city Kalbe" wants to remind people of their creative potential. It pursues a sustainable urban and regional development concept. The goals are to open up perspectives for staying of inhabitants, enable people to move in and improve the quality of life for the locals. In the five years of its existence, the artist city of Kalbe has been honoured and awarded 16 times for its extraordinary works. The organisation owns three buildings, all of which are to be rebuilt or dismantled. Also, a former farm in the middle of the old town will be converted into a residential centre for scholarship holders and should create space for approx. 20 residents. In addition, there is a former court, which is to become the centre of the artists' city. During the construction camps, the front building of the future "culture yard" is to be restored.

WORK: Dry works, grinding, clay plastering, painting

BOARD AND LODGING: Accommodation in single rooms the project takes care of the catering, volunteers help preparing the meals (vegetarian alternatives available), washing machine and Wi-Fi is available.

## Storkow / Brandenburg

30.06. – 13.07.2019

10 Volunteers

PROJECT: „Jugendhilfe und Sozialarbeit e.V.“ (JuSeV) with seat in Fürstenwalde is a recognized carrier of the youth welfare service. It works with children, young people and families in various fields of social pedagogy and youth social work as well as in school and extracurricular education. Among other things, JuSeV operates the Evangelical education and meeting centre Hirschluch in nearby Storkow, which has been rich in tradition since 1925. Up to 190 children and adolescents, families and various groups are accommodated here in seven guest

houses. The meeting centre organises numerous activities, seminars and educational events and thus offers a place for encounters between people of different ages, religions and cultures as well as people with and without disabilities. During the construction camps in 2019, a house facade will be painted and several tipis made of wood will be built.

WORK: Painting, wood work.

BOARD AND LODGING: Accommodation in the guest houses of the youth centre, full board (vegetarian board possible), washing machine can be used, Internet via WLAN (data volume limited use)

## Sammatz / Lower Saxony

30.06. – 13.07.2019	12 Volunteers
14.07. – 27.07.2019	12 Volunteers
28.07. – 10.08.2019	12 Volunteers
11.08. – 24.08.2019	12 Volunteers
08.09. – 21.09.2019	12 Volunteers

PROJECT: The children's home Peronnik with 6 residential groups and 34 children and adolescents is part of the "Living and working community Sammatz". There are 70 employees living here with their children. In addition, there are about 30 volunteers from all over the world who help in the various work areas (gardening, agriculture, farm shop, dairy, bakery, kitchen, café, childcare). In the last two years, an exhibition house "Nature house" and a guest house were built with a lot of personal contribution. The guesthouse is a kind of a youth hostel for the volunteers and school classes, who can do their agricultural and social internship here. Seminars and exhibitions take place in the "Nature house". During the summer camps, several multigenerational timber-framed houses will be extended.

WORK: Interior work, dry construction, carpentry, electrical work, heating and sanitary work, flooring and painting work.

BOARD AND LODGING: Multi-bed rooms with separate rooms for female and male participants. The project will take care of the food, but needs the volunteers' help with breakfast and dinner. Vegetarian diet possible. Washing machine and WLAN available.

## Wettin-Löbejün / Saxony-Anhalt

14.07. – 27.07.2019	12 Volunteers
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PROJECT: The association "Saale-Delta e.V." helps the association "Altstadt Wettin" with the rescue of a listed house in Wettin. The house is to be developed into a socio-cultural centre in the historically significant town of Wettin. The workcamp will primarily involve security and clearing work. In addition, some rooms will be renovated in order to give the "Altstadt Wettin" premises for the association's work.

WORK: Clearing, salvage of old building materials, renovation, possibly dry-stone wall work.

BOARD AND LODGING: Accommodation in the Wettin student residence. Separate accommodation m/f, 2-4 bed rooms.

## Krautheim BSK / Baden-Wuerttemberg

14.07. – 27.07.2019

8 Volunteers

PROJECT: Since 1955, the Bundesverband Selbsthilfe Körperbehinderter e.V. (Federal Association of Self-Help of Physically Disabled Persons) has represented the interests of people with handicap and is thereby one of the oldest self-help organizations of this kind in Germany. The goal is to make a self-determined life for people with body handicaps possible. In Krautheim, the non-profit association maintains the Eduard Knoll living center, workshops and barrier-free dwellings. The volunteers of Bauorden have already been helping in Krautheim for several years. In 2019, the conversion of an apartment into an assisted living facility and various works in the outside area are planned.

WORK: painting and wallpapering, gardening, landscaping.

BOARD AND LODGING: Accommodation in the BSK guesthouse in single and double rooms, with full board (vegetarians can be catered for), washing machine and WLAN are available.

## Meißen / Saxony

14.07.– 27.07.2019

8 Volunteers

PROJECT: The "Bürgerstiftung Meißen", founded in 2016, is a non-profit organisation of citizens for citizens in the city of Meißen (approx. 30km north of Dresden). Its aim is to facilitate and support civic engagement, strengthen community spirit, social cohesion and equal opportunities. The ambitious vision of the group of Meissen citizens and friends of the Jahnhalle, which was built in 1895 in Art Nouveau style and is now listed as a historical monument, is to make one of the most beautiful buildings in the city available for use again. The facility, which was already used for sporting activities at that time, is to be reactivated. A cross-generational indoor sports area is to be created. During the construction camp, a multisport facility and paths will be built and the historic building will be further renovated.

WORK: Painting, bricklaying, carpentry, off-road work, concrete work.

BOARD AND LODGING: Accommodation in the guest house, full board, volunteers help preparing the meals (vegetarian alternatives available), Internet available.

## Hitzacker/ Lower Saxony

28.07. – 10.08.2019

12 Volunteers

11.08. – 24.08.2019

12 Volunteers

08.09. – 21.09.2019

12 Volunteers

PROJECT: The Hitzacker village will be an intercultural district of Hitzacker, where people of all ages and origins - families, single parents, single people, working people and pensioners - live together peacefully and support each other. It is particularly important that people who have fled their home country can also live there. In addition to apartments, space will also be created for businesses (shops, offices, practices...) and a communal house with a cafeteria will be set up. In general there is the goal to live together with about 300 people, of which about 1/3 are people from other countries, about 1/3 are older natives and about 1/3 will be native young and families. There are already some ideas for common facilities, e.g. Foodcoop, canteen kitchen, health house, etc.. Playgrounds are planned for children. The volunteers will help with various building tasks in the village.

WORK: Woodworking, clay work, tiling, general building.

BOARD AND LODGING: Accommodation in sturdy tents for 1-2 persons with slatted frame and mattress; the volunteers help with the preparation of meals, (vegetarian meals possible), internet available.

## Märkisch Wilmersdorf / Brandenburg

11.08. – 24.08.2019

8 Volunteers

PROJECT: The association "Achor e.V." came up from the former association "Grunewaldhaus", which was founded in the 1960's to enable meetings between young Catholics from the BRD and the GDR. Achor e.V. aims to rebuild a heritage protected building in Märkisch Wilmersdorf to create an educational and meeting place. The education centre will enable an encounter with Christian values. Since 2010, the Bauorden has been helping with the renovation. In 2019 the goal is to design and make use of the outdoor area. Further security measures in the barn are also planned.

WORK: Masonry, carpenter work, landscaping, demolition work.

BOARD AND LODGING: Accommodation in the guest rooms in the project, lunch will be provided, volunteers will help with preparing breakfast and dinner, vegetarians meals possible, washing machine can be used, Internet available.

## Storkower See / Brandenburg

25.08. – 07.09.2019

8 Volunteers

The CVJM Berlin e.V. is a recognized provider of independent youth welfare services. Founded in 1883, it is the oldest YMCA in Germany. With their different offers, the association strives to help youngsters discover together their potentials, develop their personality and take over responsibility in the society. In the CVJM camp Storkower See (70 km from Berlin), an extensive forest area with a group house, campground and direct access to the lake, youth groups and school classes can spend their leisure time actively. The site is being continuously expanded, also during the two construction camps in 2019. In summer, further carpentry work will continue: a footbridge system, outdoor furniture, another platform between trees and a roof truss made of logs will be built. The volunteers will also carry out demolition work in the sanitary area.

WORK: Carpentry, demolition, earthworks.

BOARD AND LODGING: Accommodation in two cabins on the camp grounds (male and female participants separated), bunk beds, toilets and showers in a cabin next door. With the help of volunteers in the preparation of meals desired, vegetarian meals possible, washing machine can be used, internet only via own mobile data.

## Schopfheim / Baden-Wuerttemberg

24.08. – 07.09.2019

12 volunteers

PROJECT: For 25 years, the old train station Hasel has been converted into a youth and family leisure centre "Begegnungsbahnhof Hasel" (meeting train station) . The centre offers youth groups the opportunity to carry out leisure activities of all kinds. This ranges from seminars, music workshops and school excursions to tent camps. The Bauorden has supported the home for many years. This year, the outdoor facilities are to be redesigned, natural stone wall are to be erected and small painting jobs are to be done. Schopfheim is located in the border triangle of Germany, France and Switzerland in the district of Lörrach.

WORK: Work with natural stone, terrain work, painting.

BOARD AND LODGING: the volunteers will live in the centre (several bed rooms) and help preparing all meals. Vegetarian diet possible. A washing machine available. No Internet.

## Frankfurt Oder/ Brandenburg

25.08. – 07.09.2019

8 Volunteers

PROJECT: The Protestant parish encompasses the entire city of Frankfurt Oder and the small town of Lebus in the north. The history of the parish and the churches are marked by the destruction of the 2nd World War. In this project, a church in Lebus is to be repaired. The main focus is the utilization of the crypt as a prayer room.

WORK: Clearing work, painting.

BOARD AND LODGING: Volunteers will be accommodated in one big room at the Parish in Lebus, (no gender separated rooms) the project takes care of meals (volunteers help to prepare them). Wifi and washing machine available.

## Roidin / Mecklenburg- Pomerania

08.09. – 21.09.2019

12 Volunteers

PROJECT: The old water mill in the village Roidin in north-east Germany was built in 1805 and consists of a mill, several residential buildings, a well house with watercourses, barns and stables. Since 2015 the mill yard has been empty and left to decay. The renovation is intended to protect the listed ensemble from further decay and make it available for public use. A meeting place and cultural centre for young people with accommodation is planned. For this purpose, rooms in the former residential part of the mill will be renovated. In addition, work is planned on the mill foundation and the water intake of the mill.

WORK: bricklaying, concrete and stone works, pointing work, demolition works

BOARD AND LODGING: Accommodation in the train station Schmarsow. Volunteers help preparing breakfast and dinner (vegetarian alternatives available), washing machine and WIFI are available in the house of accommodation.

## Malche / Brandenburg

08.09. – 21.09.2019

8 Volunteers

PROJECT: The Protestant Mission House Malche (north of Frankfurt (Oder) and close to the Polish border) was until 2011 a training centre for missionaries and later for church teachers. Thanks to the activity of the training centre the community had more than 100 members. Today only 15 sisters live here. For eight years the centre, which comprises 6 houses and a church, has served as a meeting place and a guest and conference house. The volunteers of Bauorden will paint several rooms in the large guesthouse, which is in great need of renovation, and do various small jobs in the courtyard and garden.

WORK: Painting, landscaping.

BOARD AND LODGING: Multi-bed room with separate rooms for male and female participants. The project takes care of the meal, vegetarians can be catered for. Washing machine and WLAN available.

## Rothenfels / Bavaria

22.09. – 12.10.2019

7 Volunteers

PROJECT: The Rothenfels Castle is a cultural and historical monument of national importance and an important site for Lower Franconian history. The castle, built on the edge of the Spessart mountains in 1148, belongs today to the "Vereinigung der Freunde von Burg Rothenfels e.V.", which celebrates its 100th anniversary this year and today operates one of the largest educational institutions in Germany as a youth hostel and conference centre for adults. Following successful construction camps in recent years, the renovation of a historic stone staircase in the baroque garden, the renovation of a sandstone path and the construction of a covered seating area are planned for 2019.

WORK: Paving work, bricklaying work, earthworks, ground works, carpentry work.

BOARD AND LODGING: Shared rooms, the project will prepare the meals (vegetarian alternatives available), washing machine and Wi-fi available.