

Circus art in Germany
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Variété Theatres

Bar jeder Vernunft

The *Bar jeder Vernunft* is a Variety theatre in an old traditional Art Nouveau tent. It opened in 1992 and has, since then, hosted a large number of popular German singers, comedians and artistic acts. For their tenth anniversary in 2002 a second tent location in Berlin was established. “Tippi das Zelt” can host larger audiences and offers similar events.

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www.bar-jeder-vernunft.de
www.tipi-das-zelt.de

Chamäleon Theater

The Chamäleon Theater is located in the center of Berlin’s traditional “die Hackeschen Höfe”. The main focus lies on musical shows, theatre and variety shows, acrobats, magicians and dancers. The location has a flexible stage.

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www.chamaeleonberlin.com

Friedrichstadtpalast

The Friedrichstadtpalast was founded in the 1920’s by Max Reinhardt and Eric Charellis. It is the largest Revue theatre in Europe with a large stage area (24 meters wide, 52 meters deep), swimming pool, skating rink, flying equipment, two revolving stages and many other technical features. The theatre seats 2000 people, has a revue orchestra and a 60 person ballet company. The shows include top-class choreography and breathtaking acrobatics.

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Friedrichstraße 107
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Wintergarten Varieté

The theatre sees itself as a tribute to the great tradition of the variety theatre in Berlin. Its opening in 1992 helped to trigger the renaissance of this genre throughout Germany. The

Wintergarten founded by André Heller, Bernhard Paul and Peter Schwenkow wishes to serve its 500 spectators a colourful menu of artistic acts, acrobatics and music.

Wintergarten Variete
Potsdamer Str. 96
10785 Berlin
Tel.: +49 30-25 00 88 88
www.wintergarten-variete.de

Krystallpalast Varieté Leipzig

Opened in 1882, the Krystallpalast was destroyed during the Second World War. In GDR times it stopped operating but was reopened in 1997. Today it offers an international variety of high class artistics, music and humour.

Krystallpalast Varieté Leipzig
GmbH & Co. KG
Magazingasse 4
04109 Leipzig
Tel.: +49 341 14 06 60
www.krystallpalastvariete.de

Tigerpalast Varieté Theater

The Tigerpalast presents stars of the artistic arts in the ambience of the classical Varieté. World stars of the Varieté and the winners of international artistic festivals work with the dancers, singers and brilliant cabaret artists of the theatre. A live orchestra provides a special atmosphere during the shows.

Tigerpalast Varieté Theater
Heiligkreuzgasse 16-20
60313 Frankfurt
Tel.: +49 69-920022-0
www.tigerpalast.de

Pegasus Varieté

The Pegasus Varieté was founded in 1996. It hosts shows with internationally known artists. The program ranges from comedy acts to magicians to acrobats.

Pegasus Varieté
Beauner Platz 1-7
64625 Bensheim
Tel.: +49 62 51 - 6 20 00
www.varietepegasus.de

Scheinbar Varieté

The Scheinbar Varieté was founded in Berlin in 1984 by students from the school of performing arts "Etage" as "seemingly" the smallest theatre in Berlin. Performances of known artists as well as newcomers are shown and the Scheinbar has a regular "Open

Stage Night". Amongst the performers are pantomimes, clowns, comedy artists and acrobats.

Scheinbar Varieté e.V.
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werner@scheinbar.de
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Roncalli's Apollo Varieté Theater

On October 17th 1997 Düsseldorf's famous Apollo Theatre reopened almost 40 years after it had closed. Under the artistic direction of Circus Roncalli's director Bernhard Paul, international artists perform sophisticated evening entertainment. The programs are presented in the style of a traditional Varieté and change every second month.

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KEHRWIEDER Variété-Musik-Theater

The newly designed theatre seats 340 visitors. Live productions are presented in a two month cycle, the repertoire ranges from acrobats, clowns, juggling to dance and modern music acts.

KEHRWIEDER Variété-Musik-Theater
c/o Stage Entertainment Studios GmbH
Kehrwieder 6
20457 Hamburg
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www.stage-entertainment.de

Friedrichsbau Variété

The Friedrichsbau Variété opened in 1994 in the city centre of Stuttgart. It offers classical variety programs, new innovative concepts and seats 370 people. Internationally acclaimed artists as well as new talents appear in shows with multi media concepts choreographed and staged by André Heller and Bernhard Paul, director of the well known Circus Roncalli.

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GOP

Reopened in 1996, this traditional variety theatre is firmly established in Hannover and has opened subsidiaries in Essen, Oeynhausen and Münster. Each of these offers an independent program including international performers and acrobats.

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Et Cetera Variété

Founded in 1996, this variety theatre has a program that changes bimonthly and includes performances by international artists mainly magicians and acrobats.

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Da Capo

The Da Capo Varieté combines the feeling of a tent structure with the technical possibilities of a theatre that enable great light and sound effects. The Da Capo produces its own show but can also be rented for private events.

Da Capo
Jungeli Entertainment GmbH
Pfungstädter Straße 81
64297 Darmstadt
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Telefax: +49 6151 595007
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www.dacapo-variete.de

Neues Theater Höchst

The Neues Theater Höchst is a theatre with a constantly changing program that ranges from spoken word to acrobatics and music performances.

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service@neues-theater.de
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Starclub Variété

The Theater in downtown Kassel was founded in 1996. Shows range from comedy to acrobatics. They have an open stage on Saturday nights that offers performance opportunities for artists and non-professionals. For an archive of all shows please consult the website.

Starclub Variété GmbH & Co. KG
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34117 Kassel
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Fax: +49 561 - 766 22 22
kassel@starclub.de
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Circus and Artistic Schools:

Die Etage

The Etage is an academy for the performing arts since 1981. It offers training and certification in the following areas: Stage acrobatics, dance, pantomime/mime, acting, painting/graphics/stage design. The goal of the three year training and government certification program is, in combination with artistic talent, to produce professional stage artists. The exams are in accordance with government exam regulations.

The Etage is interested in hosting guest workshops (this depends on room availability during the semester). The workshops should be discussed with the Etage about three months before.

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Staatliche Ballettschule und Schule für Artistik

At this school you can receive professional training with integrated academic education within 4 years and graduate as a certified with the certification as acrobat. The field of study “Acrobatic Arts” emerged from what used to be the “Acrobatic Arts College”, joined with The State Ballet School of Berlin” in 1991. The school is one of two schools in Germany that offers an officially recognized qualification in this field. Integrated in the acrobatic training are academic courses in the 9th and 10th year.

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www.ballettschule-berlin.homepage.t-online.de

Zirkus- u. Artistik Zentrum Köln ZAK

The ZAK Köln offers a wide range of classes, projects and events for professional artists and circus pedagogues . It is supported by the Theatre pedagogical centre in Cologne.

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Schule für Clowns

The clown school in Mainz offers a two year professional education to become clown-actor. The main branches are clown theatre, acting, dance and pantomime.

Schule für Clowns
Am Finther Wald
55 126 Mainz
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www.clownschule.de

Theaterpädagogisches Zentrum

The TPZ is Germany's biggest academy for theatre, play, dance and circus education. Every year more than 20 000 people take part in its courses, workshops, seminars, advanced training, performances and projects taking place in rural districts and Lower Saxony. Its work is focussed on cultural education and not on spectacular events. In 1994 the TPZ was awarded the Ygdrasil prize of Messrs. Lego, one of the most important cultural prizes in the world, for innovative concepts regarding work with children and juveniles.

The TPZ is the location of the European Centre of the International Amateur Theatre Association Headquarters (IATA/AITA). The European Centre organises outstanding professional meetings and conventions

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office@amateurtheatre.net
www.tpz-lingen.de

Networks (Europe)

LAG Zirkus

Inner German Network of Circus groups in Niedersachsen that was founded in 1994 and connects about 30 circus groups with more than 1000 kids and young adults.

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zpz@lag-zirkus.de
www.lag-zirkus.de

Circostrada

Circostrada is a European information and exchange network on street and circus arts founded in 2003. Comprised, for the moment, of 12 partners chosen for their knowledge in their sectors, the Circostrada network's goal is to work on the development and structuring of street and circus arts in Europe.

The raison d'être of the Circostrada network is to encourage the exchange of information, artistic and technical resources and know-how developed in the various countries.

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The European Federation of Professional Circus Schools

The European Federation of Professional Circus Schools (Fédération européenne des écoles de cirque professionnelles - FEDEC) was established in 1998 to build relationships between vocational circus schools with similar educational objectives. Most of the professional European schools, at Foundation and Higher Education level, are represented.

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Festivals

“Junger Circus Europa“

The international circus festival for children and young people at the Circus Cabuwazi is an annual circus festival for young people that includes participations by over 150 young international circus artists.

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Publications

The European guide to street arts and circus arts festivals presented by Circostrada

The “guide to European street arts and circus arts festivals” is the first publication by Circostrada. Like all of Circostrada’s actions, it is a collaborative effort: the festivals selected for this work were chosen by consensus.

The first work of its kind to present the major European festivals and an important element in the programming of these sectors, it meets the needs expressed by street and circus arts professionals – having a representative overview of festivals that is on the scale of the real influence of their programming. Moreover, by making the artistic vitality of these sectors more visible in Europe, this guide helps these artistic forms to be recognized by institutions, professionals in the cultural milieu and the media.



The European guide to street arts and circus arts festivals
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Circus Verlag

The Circus Verlag publishes three magazines: Circus Zeitung, appears monthly, Planet Circus, appears quarterly in English with extensive coverage of Circus events and Variété Spezial, appears yearly in October and focuses on Variété art.

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Other

Crabbel.de – Online Directory for Shows & Entertainment

A website that offers direct contacts to artists, performers, entertainers, musicians, bands, dancer stars and agencies from the show- & event branch.

www.crabbel.de

Internationale Kulturbörse Freiburg – Trade Fair for Stage Productions and Music

The Internationale Kulturbörse has been the meeting point for the culture and events scene for over 18 years now. Freiburg's Internationale Kulturbörse is a specialized event for professionals. It is attended by people who are either professionally active in the sectors of culture, entertainment, and events, or who are interested in obtaining relevant information, searching for new contacts and business relations. It's the central information and communication forum for everything that has to do with cabaret & minor arts, variety show, theater, music, galas, events, performances, and other activities related to the sector of event organization in German speaking countries.

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World of events

The World of Events is a fair that specialises in event-marketing on a global scale. It covers the following exhibition areas: Creation/planning/management, technology, catering, tents, P.O.S. Instruments, locations, congresses/conventions/incentives, performances, associations, publishers. The world of events offers a platform for exhibitors to get in contact with professionals artists.

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