

# **Cultural Highlights 2017**

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## JANUARY

### Lower Austria

#### MUSEUM GUGGING, Gugging

*“jean dubuffet’s art brut.! the origins of the collection”*

Museum Gugging presents 169 works from Dubuffet’s illustrious collection, the foundation of which he assembled between 1945 and 1949. It includes works by famous artists such as Aloïse Corbaz, Adolf Wölfli, Auguste Forestier, and by many other well-known as well as anonymous artists.

Dates: 25 Jan.–26 June 2017

[www.gugging.at](http://www.gugging.at)

#### KLOSTERNEUBURG MONASTERY

*“Church, Monastery, Empress: Maria Theresa and Religious Austria”*

*Exhibition to mark the 300<sup>th</sup> birthday of Maria Theresa*

Church representation reached one of its last significant peaks during the life of Maria Theresa. Numerous works of art will be at the focal point of the exhibition at Klosterneuburg Monastery, and some of the most beautiful objects from the monastery’s treasury will be presented in a new setting. The presentation is enriched through valuable loans from the area of late Baroque textiles and goldsmiths’ art.

Dates: until 15 Nov. 2017

[www.stift-klosterneuburg.at](http://www.stift-klosterneuburg.at)

### Salzburger Land

#### 3 DAYS OF JAZZ, Saalfelden

The Jazz Festival Saalfelden, held each year in August, has earned an outstanding reputation in international jazz circles. Since January 2016 jazz lovers can enjoy superb music in winter as well; this year marks the second annual “3 Days of Jazz” festival in snowy Saalfelden.

Dates: 20–22 Jan. 2017

[www.jazzsaalfelden.com](http://www.jazzsaalfelden.com)

#### ART ON SNOW, Gasteinertal

During the festival week, spectacular snow and ice sculptures are created surrounded by impressive mountain scenery – and in the evening the artworks are brought to life through an unforgettable light show. During this time, hotels also offer painting workshops.

Dates: until 3 Feb. 2017

[www.gastein.com/de/art-on-snow](http://www.gastein.com/de/art-on-snow)

#### MOZART WEEK, Salzburg

Every year at the time of Mozart’s birthday, in late January, the Mozarteum Foundation Salzburg hosts the Mozart Week, with opera performances and orchestral, chamber, and solo concerts. World-renowned Mozart specialists, orchestras, and ensembles make the Mozart Week a highly respected musical event. This year’s Mozart Week presents a theatrical performance of Mozart’s Requiem in the equestrian choreography of the French theatre director Bartabas.

Dates: 26 Jan.–2 Feb. 2017

[www.mozarteum.at](http://www.mozarteum.at)

## RESIDENZGALERIE SALZBURG, Salzburg

### *“Masterworks”*

Outstanding European paintings of the 16<sup>th</sup> to the 19<sup>th</sup> century form the core of the collection of the Residenzgalerie Salzburg and are among the most splendid art treasures of Salzburg Province.

Dates: until 26 June 2017

[www.residenzgalerie.at](http://www.residenzgalerie.at)

## DOMQUARTIER SALZBURG, Salzburg

### *Christmas exhibition “Alle Jahre wieder–Nordoratorium”*

The exhibition in the Nordoratorium of Salzburg Cathedral invites visitors to take a close look at pictures from various centuries that relate the Christmas story from the Annunciation to the Presentation of Jesus in the Temple. On display are paintings, graphic works, sculpture and goldsmiths' art from the Late Gothic period to the 20<sup>th</sup> century.

Dates: until 5 Feb. 2017

[www.domquartier.at](http://www.domquartier.at)

## Tirol

### SHAPES IN WHITE, Ischgl

Artworks made of snow and ice created as part of the Snow Sculpture Competition astound a town and its visitors. Again in 2017 the ski resort of Ischgl invites sculptors to craft masterpieces out of snow. Surrounded by the stupendous backdrop of the Paznaun Mountain, dazzling “Shapes in White” materialize.

Dates: 9–13 Jan. 2017

[www.ischgl.com](http://www.ischgl.com)

## Vorarlberg

### FRAUENMUSEUM, Hittisau

#### *“Maasai Baumeisterinnen aus Ololosokwan”*

The exhibition in the Frauenmuseum Hittisau examines the fascinating life of the Maasai women in terms of their building culture and provides unique insights into their everyday life.

Dates: until 18 June 2017

[www.frauenmuseum.at](http://www.frauenmuseum.at)

## Vienna

### 21er HAUS, Belvedere

#### *“Franz West–Artistclub”*

From 14 December 2016 to 23 April 2017, the 21er Haus presents key works by the prominent Austrian artist Franz West (1947–2012) in the exhibition “Franz West–ARTISTCLUB”. The works on view were created by 36 different artists in collaboration with Franz West.

Dates: until 23 Apr. 2017

[www.belvedere.at](http://www.belvedere.at)

### ALBERTINA

#### *“Poussin To David”*

This exhibition shows not only Nicolas Poussin's breathtaking free landscape studies and Claude Lorrain's light-drenched depictions of nature; playful masterpieces by François Boucher and Jean-Honoré Fragonard also assume their rightful places here, as do the imposing creations of Jacques Louis David and the lovely scenes of Jean-Baptiste Greuze.

Dates: 25 Jan.–25 Apr. 2017

[www.albertina.at](http://www.albertina.at)

## Az W–ARCHITEKTURZENTRUM Wien

### *“In the End: Architecture”*

To mark the retirement of founding director Dietmar Steiner, the Az W takes a look, with him, at some 60 years of international architectural history.

Dates: until 20 March 2017

[www.azw.at](http://www.azw.at)

## BANK AUSTRIA KUNSTFORUM

### *Georgia O’Keeffe*

Georgia O’Keeffe was a founder of American Modernism and an artistic pioneer. This exhibition represents the first retrospective in Austria of O’Keeffe’s oeuvre, which spans seven decades. Among the exhibits is Jimson Weed/White Flower No. 1 (1932), the most expensive picture by a woman artist ever sold.

Dates: until 26 March 2017

[www.bankaustria-kunstforum.at](http://www.bankaustria-kunstforum.at)

## KUNSTHISTORISCHES MUSEUM

### *“Edmund de Waal meets Albrecht Dürer”*

The exhibition will be accompanied by an extensive programme of guided tours, lectures, musical performances and other events as well as an exhibition catalogue and an artist edition produced especially for the Kunsthistorisches Museum by Edmund de Waal.

Dates: until 29 Jan. 2017

[www.khm.at](http://www.khm.at)

### *“The Museum Completed”*

125 years ago, on 17 October 1891, Emperor Franz Joseph formally inaugurated the Kunsthistorisches Museum on Vienna’s Ringstrasse, making the treasures of the House of Habsburg accessible to the public at a single location. To mark this birthday, three small temporary exhibitions will be presented, focusing on that inaugural year 1891 and the history of the museum.

Dates: until 29 Jan. 2017

[www.khm.at](http://www.khm.at)

### *“1 Zobl–75–Das Bildnis im Kreis”*

Helmut Zobl is one of the few modern representatives of the field of coin and medal art, which he has given a new cultural vitality with his sculptural perfection.

Dates: until 28 Feb. 2017

[www.khm.at](http://www.khm.at)

### *“The Emperor’s Gold”*

The world-class status the Vienna Coin Cabinet enjoys today is owed to the collecting passion of the Emperors Charles VI (reigned 1711-1740) and Francis I (reigned 1745-1765). On the occasion of the 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Kunsthistorisches Museum, the Vienna Coin Cabinet presents a special exhibition of the highest-carat gold pieces from the former Imperial Coin Collection.

Dates: until 5 March 2017

[www.khm.at](http://www.khm.at)

*“Exhibition Posters: Director’s Choice”*

In the Bassano Hall, a representative selection of posters, from the museum’s opening poster from 17 October 1891 to the posters for the current exhibitions will be displayed. The posters show not only the different topics and issues on display during the museum’s long history but also the change of corporate designs.

Dates: 19 Jan.–8 Aug. 2017

[www.khm.at](http://www.khm.at)

**MAK**

*“handiCRAFT”*

The exhibition handiCRAFT: traditional skills in the digital age reflect the significance and status of handicraft as an integral component of material culture and cultural identity.

Dates: until 9 Apr. 2017

[www.mak.at](http://www.mak.at)

*“100 BEST POSTERS 15: Germany Austria Switzerland”*

The 100 winning projects of the popular graphic design competition once again dazzle with their humour, explosive colour and precise execution, demonstrating that the poster medium can be much more than a simple advertising space.

Dates: until 5 Feb. 2017

[www.mak.at](http://www.mak.at)

*“Josef Hoffmann – Josef Frank: Endless Trimmings”*

This year, with the exhibition “Josef Hoffmann – Josef Frank: From Endless Trimmings to an Open System”, the Josef Hoffmann Museum in Brtnice examines the relationship between Josef Hoffmann and Josef Frank. The exhibition is thematically linked to the monographic exhibition “JOSEF FRANK: Against Design” at the MAK in Vienna.

Dates: until 7 May 2017

[www.mak.at](http://www.mak.at)

*“Josiah McElheny–The Ornament Museum”*

Josiah McElheny’s extraordinary installation “The Ornament Museum”, developed especially for the MAK, reinterprets the historical design language of Viennese Modernism, finding within it a set of new questions about art and psychology.

Dates: until 2 Apr. 2017

[www.mak.at](http://www.mak.at)

**MUMOK**

*“We Pioneers”*

With “Trailblazers of Postwar Modernism”, the mumok focuses on two charismatic personalities of European art and culture after 1945: Viktor Matejka and Werner Hofmann.

Dates: until 26 Feb. 2017

[www.mumok.at](http://www.mumok.at)

*“Anna-Sophie Berger. Places to fight and to make up”*

In her exhibition “Places to fight and to make up”, the artist reflects on fundamental questions regarding communication. The exhibited works look at the influence of modern mass media on society’s capability of engaging with dialogue and discourse as well as at our use and preservation of objects.

Dates: until 29 Jan. 2017

[www.mumok.at](http://www.mumok.at)

### *“Construction\_Reflection”*

Under the title “Construction\_Reflection”, the collectors Gertraud and Dieter Bogner present a selection of works from their own collection that they donated to mumok in 2007, and which has since been steadily expanded. With more than 100 paintings, sculptures and objects, and 300 drawings, gouaches, prints, autographs, artists’ books, and archive materials, this is the largest single donation to the museum to date.

Dates: until 17 Apr. 2017

[www.mumok.at](http://www.mumok.at)

### *“Július Koller”*

This is the most comprehensive exhibition of the Slovak artist’s work to date, documenting his independent contribution to the neo-avant-garde based on painstaking research into his art and archived material.

Dates: until 17 Apr. 2017

[www.mumok.at](http://www.mumok.at)

### **NEW YEAR’S CONCERT**

On 1 January 2017 the Vienna Philharmonic gives its annual New Year’s Concert in the Musikverein under the direction of Gustavo Dudamel. Born in 1981 in Barquisimeto, Venezuela, Dudamel thus becomes the youngest person to conduct the New Year’s Concert in its 75-year history.

[www.wienerphilharmoniker.at](http://www.wienerphilharmoniker.at)

### **UPPER BELVEDERE**

#### *“Fredrikson Stallard and Heinitz von Heinzenthal”*

Fredrikson Stallard present an installation commissioned by Swarovski in the Marble Hall of the Upper Belvedere. “Hurricane” comprises two golden mirrors made of crumpled, mirror-polished aluminium. Both objects were hand-shaped by the artists.

Dates: until 30 June 2017

[www.belvedere.at](http://www.belvedere.at)

### **THEATERMUSEUM**

#### *“In the Privacy of One’s Home. Paper Theatre – a Bourgeois Passion”*

Families enthusiastic about theatre assembled miniature stages complete with figurines from cut-out sheets readily available from stationery stores. These miniature stages perfectly recreated the illusion of depth and space of a real stage and allowed theatre aficionados to re-play the repertory of the great theatres and opera houses of the day.

Dates: until 20 March 2017

[www.theatermuseum.at](http://www.theatermuseum.at)

#### *“Spettacolo Barocco. Theatre’s Triumph”*

No art form was more suitable than theatre for translating the spectacular show effects of the Baroque era. The sovereigns of the 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> centuries knew how to place themselves in the limelight with theatrical processions, grand opera performances and opulent horse ballets. Artists preserved these events in quick sketches and colourful presentation folios.

Dates: until 16 Jan. 2017

[www.theatermuseum.at](http://www.theatermuseum.at)

*“His Freedom, our Freedom. Václav Havel and Vienna’s Burgtheater”*

Anna Freimanová, Václav Havel’s companion of many years and consultant during his presidency, curated this show, which was produced by the Václav Havel Library in Prague. The Theatermuseum presents this exhibition in cooperation with the Czech Centre Vienna.

Dates: until 17 Apr. 2017

[www.theatermuseum.at](http://www.theatermuseum.at)

## WIEN MUSEUM

*Robert Haas: “Framing Two Worlds”*

Robert Haas was among the great Austrian-American photographers of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. The exhibition presents his virtually unknown oeuvre to the general public for the first time: at once an artistic discovery of the first order and a richly detailed panorama of the times.

Dates: until 26 Feb. 2017

[www.wienmuseum.at](http://www.wienmuseum.at)

## WIENER KONZERTHAUS Resonanzen

Every year in the last week of January, ensembles and performers of international renown come together for the “Resonanzen” festival to give ten concerts, focusing on a different theme each year. This year’s festival explores the topic of “Pastimes”.

Dates: 21–29 Jan. 2017

[www.konzerthaus.at](http://www.konzerthaus.at)

## WINTER PALACE BELVEDERE

*“Heavenly! – the Baroque Sculptor Johann Georg Pinsel”*

The Belvedere honours the Late Baroque sculptor Johann Georg Pinsel with an exhibition at Prince Eugene of Savoy’s Winter Palace in Vienna. The artist continues to baffle scholars to this day: little is known about his life, origins or training.

Dates: until 12 Feb. 2017

[www.belvedere.at](http://www.belvedere.at)

## FEBRUARY

### Carinthia

#### MÖLLTALKlang

*“China meets MÖLLTALKlang”*

For one week in February the National Choir of China will join forces with singers from the Möll Valley and with the well-known jazz-pop band “The Tall-tones” – directed by Nijay Upadhyaya – to fill the Möll Valley with choral sounds old and new.

Dates: 21–25 Feb. 2017

[www.gross-glockner.at](http://www.gross-glockner.at)

#### CARINTHIAN MUSEUM OF MODERN ART

*“Incredibly Beautiful. Still Life Today”*

In seven rooms as well as in the museum’s “Burgkapelle” art space, the exhibition presents works by 16 contemporary artists who approach the subject of still life using present-day means and asking topical questions, with sometimes surprising answers.

Dates: 2 Feb.–14 May 2017

[www.mmkk.at](http://www.mmkk.at)

## Salzburger Land

### SALZBURG MUSEUM

*“Troger, Rottmayr, Kremser Schmidt – Pictorial Stories for Salzburg”*

At the centre of this exhibition are the oil paintings of these three artists, who created their works for Salzburg. In addition to the purely factual information about the pictures, such as measurements, technique, purchaser, date and exhibition history, special attention is given to the content of each painting.

Dates: 24 Feb.–15 Oct. 2017

[www.salzburgmuseum.at](http://www.salzburgmuseum.at)

## Vorarlberg

### KUNSTHAUS BREGENZ

*“Rachel Rose”*

Rachel Rose is the youngest artist ever to be invited to stage a solo exhibition at Kunsthaus Bregenz. But she is, in fact, a shooting star of the art world, having exhibited at New York’s Whitney Museum, London’s Serpentine Sackler Gallery, the Museo Serralves in Porto, the Castello di Rivoli in Turin and the Biennale in São Paulo. Kunsthaus Bregenz, designed by architect Peter Zumthor as a space of intense corporeal experience, is the ideal venue for her video works.

Dates: 4 Feb.–17 Apr. 2017

[www.kunsthau-bregenz.at](http://www.kunsthau-bregenz.at)

### MONTFORTER ZWISCHENTÖNE, Feldkirch

*“deciding”*

The “Montforter Zwischentöne” is held three times each year. The focus for the winter season is the topic “deciding”.

Highlights include a string quartet concert, talks by decision researchers and the jury’s decision on the winner of the 2017 Hugo Concert Competition.

Dates: 23 Feb.–26 Feb. 2017

[www.montforter-zwischentoene.at](http://www.montforter-zwischentoene.at)

## Vienna

### ALBERTINA

*“Egon Schiele”*

To kick off the commemoration of the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Egon Schiele’s death, the Albertina is devoting a broadly conceived exhibition to this seminal artist, drawing on the museum’s rich collection of Schiele’s works.

Dates: 22 Feb.–18 June 2017

[www.albertina.at](http://www.albertina.at)

### INTERNATIONAL ACCORDION FESTIVAL

The International Accordion Festival is a month-long cultural event in Vienna with Austrian and international accordion artists and formations representing all stylistic genres. In addition, the audience is given the opportunity to get to know the accordion as an instrument and the superb music it is capable of making.

Dates: 25 Feb.–26 March 2017

[www.akkordeonfestival.at](http://www.akkordeonfestival.at)



## AUSTRIAN NATIONAL LIBRARY, State Hall

### *“Maria Theresa: The Habsburgs’ Most Powerful Woman”*

2017 sees the 300<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the birth of Maria Theresa. In this exhibition, the Austrian National Library examines the personal life of Maria Theresa and her role in Austria and Europe. The exhibition addresses both her political successes and crises and the cultural achievements of her era.

Dates: 17 Feb.–5 June 2017

[www.onb.ac.at](http://www.onb.ac.at)

## WIEN MUSEUM

### *“Protestant Vienna: Religious Conflict after Luther”*

Martin Luther’s publication of his 95 Theses in 1517 was the spark that ignited the Reformation. Marking the 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of this event, the exhibition provides a reminder that for several decades, even Vienna was a predominantly Protestant city.

Dates: 16 Feb. 2017–14 May 2017

[www.wienmuseum.at](http://www.wienmuseum.at)

## MARCH

### Burgenland

#### LISZT FESTIVAL Raiding

The Liszt Festival Raiding is devoted to exploring all aspects of the work of Franz Liszt, and at the beginning of its 12<sup>th</sup> season it presents works ranging from the composer’s progressive and daring depiction of the Stations of the Cross, “Via Crucis”, to a complete performance of his epochal piano cycle “Années de Pèlerinage”.

Dates: 22–26 March 2017 (additional dates in June and October)

[www.lisztfestival.at](http://www.lisztfestival.at)

### Lower Austria

#### LOISIARTE, Langenlois

The Loisiarte Music and Literature Festival is held each year at the Loisium World of Wine, in Langenlois. With its unique combination of contemporary compositions, readings from world literature, and first-class chamber music, this festival guarantees enjoyable and compelling events.

Dates: 23–26 March 2017

[www.loisiarte.at](http://www.loisiarte.at)

#### OSTERFESTIVAL IMAGO DEI, Krems

Each year in the period before Easter, the festival Imago Dei presents a varied programme in the medieval Minorite Church’s Klangraum Krems. Events include concerts of ancient and contemporary music, dance, literature and performance projects by outstanding soloists and ensembles.

Dates: 24 March–17 Apr. 2017

[www.klangraum.at](http://www.klangraum.at)

#### RENAISSANCE CASTLE SCHALLABURG

##### *“ISLAM”*

In addition to religious objects, the exhibition “ISLAM” shows many surprising exhibits that tell the story of “Islam in Austria”.

Dates: 18 March–5 Nov. 2017

[www.schallaburg.at](http://www.schallaburg.at)

## SCHLOSS HOF

*“Maria Theresa: Strategist, Mother, Reformer”*

On the occasion of the 300<sup>th</sup> birthday of Maria Theresa, an extensive jubilee exhibition kicks off exploring the life and work of one of the most important sovereigns in the history of Europe.

Dates: 15 March–29 Nov. 2017

[www.schlosshof.at](http://www.schlosshof.at)

## Upper Austria

### OSTERFESTSPIELE, SALZKAMMERGUT FESTWOCHEN Gmunden

This Easter Festival of the Salzkammergut Festwochen Gmunden again holds many surprises in store for visitors: the varied programme features concerts, song recitals and readings at some of the loveliest venues of the scenic Traun Lake region.

Dates: 7–22 Apr. 2017

[www.festwochen-gmunden.at](http://www.festwochen-gmunden.at)

## Salzburger Land

### SALZBURG EASTER FESTIVAL

With the founding of the Salzburg Easter Festival 50 years ago, Herbert von Karajan set the standard against which other festivals continue to be measured. This anniversary season will see a performance of Richard Wagner’s opera “Die Walküre” in a unique “re-creation” of the Festival’s very first opera production from 1967.

Dates: 8–17 Apr. 2017

[www.osterfestspiele-salzburg.at](http://www.osterfestspiele-salzburg.at)

### SALZBURG MUSEUM

*“Ich gehöre nirgends mehr hin!”*

*“Stefan Zweig’s “The Royal Game” – A Story from His Exile”*

“The Royal Game” is Stefan Zweig’s only story in which he addresses current political events in Austria.

Dates: 3 March–28 May 2017

[www.salzburgmuseum.at](http://www.salzburgmuseum.at)

### SNOW JAZZ GASTEIN

“My Favorite Things”

Over a period of ten days, the 16<sup>th</sup> edition of the international festival SNOW JAZZ GASTEIN presents an impressive array of projects, bands and musicians devoted to the theme “My Favorite Things”.

Dates: 10–19 March 2017

[www.gastein.com/de/snow-jazz-gastein](http://www.gastein.com/de/snow-jazz-gastein)

## Styria

### DIAGONALE, Graz

Graz’s Diagonale, the festival of Austrian film, sees itself as a forum for the presentation and discussion of Austrian film productions.

Dates: 28 March–2 Apr. 2017

[www.diagonale.at](http://www.diagonale.at)

## Tirol

### OSTERFESTIVAL TIROL, Innsbruck & Hall in Tirol

International artists from the worlds of music, dance and theatre meet in Innsbruck for the 29<sup>th</sup> Osterfestival Tirol. For three weeks, Hall and Innsbruck become venues for international encounters: with new and old music, with dance and performance, and with film and dialogue.

Dates: 31 March–16 Apr. 2017

[www.osterfestival.at](http://www.osterfestival.at)

## Vorarlberg

### BREGENZ SPRING

Top dance companies from all over the world again appear at the Bregenz Spring International Dance Festival, held at the Festspielhaus Bregenz. Renowned dance formations with outstanding choreographies point the way to the future of contemporary dance.

Dates: 17 March–9 June 2017

[www.bregenzerfruehling.at](http://www.bregenzerfruehling.at)

## Vienna

### ALBERTINA

*“Acting For The Camera”*

With some 100 masterpieces, this third presentation of the Albertina’s Photographic Collection examines the multifarious relationships between the individuals on either side of the lens.

Dates: 10 March–5 June 2017

[www.albertina.at](http://www.albertina.at)

### ART AUSTRIA

Vienna’s Liechtenstein Garden Palace hosts the tenth edition of the “Art Austria” art fair and on this occasion opens its private collection to visitors as well. On guided tours, guests can marvel at the one of the world’s most important art collections during the preview, the exhibition opening and the art fair.

Dates: 24–26 March 2017

[www.art-austria.info](http://www.art-austria.info)

### LEOPOLD MUSEUM

*“Carl Spitzweg – Erwin Wurm: Hilarious! Hilarious?”*

Some 130 years after Carl Spitzweg’s death, the Leopold Museum presents the first comprehensive exhibition in Austria of works by the German artist (1808–1885), focusing on works critical of the time and the society he lived in

Dates: 25 March–19 June 2017

[www.leopoldmuseum.org](http://www.leopoldmuseum.org)

### SCHÖNBRUNN: SPECIAL MARIA THERESA EXHIBITION, Vienna und Lower Austria

This major anniversary exhibition is presented by the Schloss Schönbrunn Kultur- und Betriebsges.m.b.H. in cooperation with the KHM-Museumsverband. Various aspects of the sovereign’s life will be examined at four locations in Vienna and Lower Austria.

Dates: 15 March–29 Nov. 2017

[www.schoenbrunn.at](http://www.schoenbrunn.at)

### VIENNA BLUES SPRING

Hundreds of musicians fill an array of venues all over the city during the world’s longest blues festival. The programme ranges from classic delta and Chicago blues to rock and soul blues and boogie, performed by international stars and the cream of Vienna’s blues scene.

Dates: 20 March–30 Apr. 2017

[www.viennabluespring.org](http://www.viennabluespring.org)

## WIEN MUSEUM

*“Bird’s-Eye Vienna. The City at a Glance”*

Dates: 23 March–17 Sept. 2017

[www.wienmuseum.at](http://www.wienmuseum.at)

## APRIL

### Lower Austria

#### DONAU FESTIVAL, Krems

As the new artistic director of the “donaufestival”, Thomas Edlinger aims at making audible the connection between wilfulness and the relationship to society. The programme focuses up until now, including music, performance and visual arts, are to be linked, broadened and deepened through additional formats and communication offerings.

Dates: 28 Apr.–1 May und 5–6 May 2017

<https://www.donaufestival.at>

#### HALBTURN CASTLE CONCERTS

Each summer the splendid Fresco Hall (designed in 1765 by Franz Anton Maulbertsch) at Halbturm Castle opens its doors to music lovers. An intimate setting and top-flight musical offerings are guaranteed at Burgenland’s oldest music festival.

Dates: 27 Apr.–6 Nov. 2017

[www.schlosshalbturm.com](http://www.schlosshalbturm.com)

#### LITERATURE AND WINE, Göttweig Abbey

The “Literature and Wine” festival celebrates its 19<sup>th</sup> season at Göttweig Abbey.

Dates: 6–9 Apr. 2017

[www.literaturundwein.at](http://www.literaturundwein.at)

### Upper Austria

#### CROSSING EUROPE FILM FESTIVAL, Linz

International makers of films and videos present their current works at this annual event, with the focus on contemporary auteur cinema from Europe.

Dates: 25–30 Apr. 2017

[www.crossingeurope.at](http://www.crossingeurope.at)

### Styria

#### PSALM

*“Fertile”*

The new edition of the PSALM festival travels through time and space to look at the moments in which female fertility has been celebrated and ritualized. The programme ranges from Venus, the ancient goddess of love, to the immaculate conception of the Virgin, and from the fertility myths of South Africa and the traditional Indian temple dances to the celebration of the birth of the heir to the throne of the House of Habsburg.

Dates: 9–17 Apr. 2017

## Vienna

### ALBERTINA

*“Eduard Angeli”*

To mark this Austrian artist's 75<sup>th</sup> birthday, the Albertina is showing a large-scale retrospective exhibition of his oeuvre: around 100 paintings and graphic works trace Angeli's artistic path from 1967 to the present, luring the viewer into (colour-)spaces characterized by clear architectural elements, unusual perspectives, and uncanny lighting.

Dates: 5 Apr.–26 June 2017

[www.albertina.at](http://www.albertina.at)

### WEAN HEAN

This festival of Viennese song will be presented at various venues in the city. The modern “Wienerlied” allows space for current themes as well, both musical and social.

Dates: 21 Apr.–21 May 2017

[www.weanhean.at](http://www.weanhean.at)

## MAY

## Burgenland

### KLANGFRÜHLING FRIEDENSSTADT SCHLAINING

Dates: 23–28 May 2017

[www.klangfruehling.com](http://www.klangfruehling.com)

## Carinthia

### MUSIKWOCHEN MILLSTATT

The superb historic atmosphere of the Abbey and Parish Church of Millstatt is the setting for outstanding performances of large-scale sacred and secular choral and orchestral works as well as highlights of the chamber-music repertoire from all musical epochs.

Dates: May until October 2017

[www.musikwochen.com](http://www.musikwochen.com)

### STADTTURMGALERIE GMÜND

*“The Virtuositic Power of Colour”*

This gallery in the “Artists' Town” of Gmünd shows graphic artworks by Joan Miró, who counts among the most popular artists of the 20<sup>th</sup> century. The supporting programme includes film showings in the Cinema Gmünd and a special art-education programme for children and schools.

Dates: 5 May–1 Oct. 2017

[www.stadtgmueund.at](http://www.stadtgmueund.at)

## Lower Austria

### MUSIKFEST SCHLOSS WEINZIERL

On the last weekend in May, renowned musicians such as the Quartetto di Cremona, the young horn virtuoso and prize winner of the ARD Competition Katerina Javurkova, the Dutch clarinetist and multiple winner of international competitions Lars Wouters van den Oudenweijer, and the outstanding Russian-Italian violist Anna Serova meet at Weinzierl Castle, the birthplace of the string quartet, to make music together at the ninth annual "Musikfest Schloss Weinzierl".

Dates: 25–28 May 2017

[www.musikfest-weinzierl.at](http://www.musikfest-weinzierl.at)

### SZENE BUNTE WÄHNE, Horn

Szene Bunte Wähne was founded in order to develop a high-quality and varied programme of art and culture for young audiences. The theatre festival has now become one of the world's most important annual meetings for international theatre groups.

Dates: 17 May–25 June 2017

[www.sbw.at](http://www.sbw.at)

### VIERTELFESTIVAL NIEDERÖSTERREICH, Weinviertel

"METAMORPHOSIS"

At the "Viertelfestival NÖ 2017", in Austria's Weinviertel region, 67 projects will be realized following the motto "Metamorphosis". They are concerned in artistic terms with the special features of the region and are remarkable for their innovative and experimental nature.

Dates: 6 May–6 Aug. 2017

[www.viertelfestival-noe.at](http://www.viertelfestival-noe.at)

## Salzburger Land

### WHITSUN FESTIVAL

At the 2017 Whitsun Festival the "Joy of Grief" will be read, danced, sung and enjoyed at a gala dinner.

Dates: 2–5 May 2017

[www.salzburgerfestspiele.at/pfingsten](http://www.salzburgerfestspiele.at/pfingsten)

## Styria

### DESIGN MONTH GRAZ

Since 2011 Graz has been a "UNESCO City of Design", and with its museums, galleries, festivals and technical schools – many of which have an emphasis on industrial design, information design and media – it is a popular meeting place for design fans. Graz's creative quarter lies in the city centre, near Lendplatz and Mariahilferstrasse. In May this international design festival offers a number of exhibitions, lectures and workshops.

Dates: 29 Apr.–28 May 2017

[www.designmonat.at](http://www.designmonat.at)

## Tirol

### GLÜCK.TAGE, Kufstein

The glück.tage 2017 presents lectures, readings and workshops with prominent authors from the fields of philosophy, psychology, ethics and science. In addition, the Kufsteinerland offers the opportunity for some time out, for enjoying nature and many motivating encounters.

Dates: 24–28 May 2017

[www.glueck-tage.com](http://www.glueck-tage.com)

## INNSBRUCK INTERNATIONAL FILM FESTIVAL

The idea of bringing films from all over the world to Austria and giving them their premiere showing in this country or elsewhere in Europe was the basis for the founding of a film festival in Innsbruck that has gained a stellar reputation.

Dates: 23–28 May 2017

[www.iffi.at](http://www.iffi.at)

## MUSIC IN THE GIANT, Wattens in Tirol

Each year in May the Swarovski Crystal Worlds present the Music in the Giant festival, under the artistic direction of the Tirolean composer and pianist Thomas Larcher. The great variety of music for string quartet and the music of Franz Schubert provide the programmatic framework of the festival.

Dates: 19–27 May 2017

[www.kristallwelten.swarovski.com](http://www.kristallwelten.swarovski.com)

## Vorarlberg

### SCHUBERTIAD E, Hohenems

The Schubertiade is widely considered the world's foremost Schubert festival, and the 2017 season will again bring stellar artists to Hohenems.

Dates: 4–7 May 2017 (additional dates in June, July, September and October)

[www.schubertiade.at](http://www.schubertiade.at)

## Vienna

### ALBERTINA, Vienna

*“Maria Lassnig”*

Artistic realization of deeply felt emotions is the central focus of Maria Lassnig's oeuvre. Lassnig's “body-awareness” works centre on rendering bodily sensations visible and retracing bodily perception. The way in which the artist put to paper how she perceived and sensed her self was at once humorous and serious, yearning and merciless.

Dates: 5 May–27 Aug. 2017

[www.albertina.at](http://www.albertina.at)

### BANK AUSTRIA KUNSTFORUM

*“James Welling: Metamorphosis”*

James Welling is renowned as one of the pioneers of international contemporary photography. His work is characterized by its experimental style and radical stylistic diversity; it unfolds in the liminal zones between photography and painting, film, architecture, sculpture and dance.

Dates: 5 May–16 July 2017

[www.bankaustria-kunstforum.at](http://www.bankaustria-kunstforum.at)

### LEOPOLD MUSEUM

*“Joannis Avramidis”*

Joannis Avramidis (1922–2016) is one of the most important protagonists of Austrian sculpture. A year after the artist's death, the Leopold Museum presents the largest retrospective exhibition of his work to date in Austria.

Dates: 19 May–4 Sept. 2017

[www.leopoldmuseum.org](http://www.leopoldmuseum.org)



### SUMMER NIGHT CONCERT SCHÖNBRUNN

Each year in May, the Vienna Philharmonic performs its annual Summer Night Concert Schönbrunn, an open-air concert with free admission, in the unique ambience of the gardens of Schönbrunn Palace. Semyon Bychov conducts this year's concert, an event that attracts up to 100,000 visitors annually to the Palace Park.

Dates: 25 May 2017

<https://www.schoenbrunn.at/besucher-informationen/veranstaltungskalender/schoenbrunn/detail/event/sommernachtskonzert-2017/>

### VIS-VIENNA INDEPENDENT SHORTS

Austria's largest festival of short films.

Dates: 31 May–6 June 2017

[www.viennashorts.com](http://www.viennashorts.com)

### WIENER FESTWOCHEN

Vienna is one of the leading cultural capitals of the world. With its rich artistic offerings, the Wiener Festwochen has in the over 60 years of its existence earned an important place in the festival scene as an innovative event with international collaborations in all artistic genres: opera, theatre, concerts, performance art and installations.

Dates: 12 May–18 June 2017

[www.festwochen.at](http://www.festwochen.at)

### WIENER KONZERTHAUS

*"Gemischter Satz"*

2017 will mark the third season of "Gemischter Satz", held at Vienna's Konzerthaus.

Musicians, writers, actors, visual artists, winemakers and the audience meet and experience not only poetic concerts but also culinary highlights and readings transcending all genre boundaries. The musical offerings range from classical chamber music and jazz to traditional Austrian sounds like the typical Viennese "Wienerlied".

Dates: 12–13 May 2017

[www.konzerthaus.at](http://www.konzerthaus.at)

### WIENER KONZERTHAUS

*"38<sup>th</sup> Internationales Musikfest"*

To mark the opening of the 38<sup>th</sup> Internationales Musikfest, Daniel Barenboim will conduct the Vienna Philharmonic in a performance of Pierre Boulez's "Notations I-IV".

Dates: 14 May–23 June 2017

[www.konzerthaus.at](http://www.konzerthaus.at)

## Austria

### INTERNATIONAL STORYTELLING FESTIVAL

The International Storytelling Festival has become one of the world's most important – as well as Europe's largest and Austria's only – festival of storytelling. This year some 30 events will be presented in four different Austrian provinces.

Dates: 26 May–18 June 2017

[www.storytellingfestival.at](http://www.storytellingfestival.at)



## JUNE

### Burgenland

#### LISZT FESTIVAL RAIDING

The “Liszt Festival Raiding” continues to be one of the world’s most important and renowned celebrations of the music of Franz Liszt.

Dates: 21–25 June 2017

[www.lisztfestival.at](http://www.lisztfestival.at)

#### PASSION PLAY ST. MARGARETHEN

The Passion Play St. Margarethen is held in the impressive natural setting of the Roman quarry. Some 600 unpaid amateur actors participate in the performances every five years. They touch thousands of visitors with their depiction of the life, suffering, death and resurrection of Christ.

Dates: The next passion play will be held in summer 2021.

[www.passio.at](http://www.passio.at)

### Carinthia

#### CARINTHIAN MUSEUM OF MODERN ART, Klagenfurt

“*Stilleben. fokus sammlung 05*”

Dates: 7 June–8 Oct. 2017

[www.mmkk.at](http://www.mmkk.at)

#### WÖRTHERSEE CLASSIC

At this festival, world-famous orchestras and soloists present works by composers who spent their summer holidays at Austria’s Lake Wörth, including Gustav Mahler, Johannes Brahms, Anton Webern, Hugo Wolf and Alban Berg.

Dates: 7–10 June 2017

[www.woertherseeclassics.com](http://www.woertherseeclassics.com)

### Lower Austria

#### BAROCKFESTIVAL ST. PÖLTEN

The annual Barockfestival St. Pölten offers a top-flight series of concerts held at venues whose architecture and acoustics are a perfect match for the music of the time. Internationally renowned Baroque musicians are joined by up-and-coming young talents.

Dates: 10–24 June 2017

[www.barockfestival.at](http://www.barockfestival.at)

#### FESTSPIELE STOCKERAU

Each summer the Stockerau Festival offers a diverse programme of theatre and concerts. The 2017 season will feature Johann Nepomuk Nestroy’s “Lumpazi Vagabundus”. The performance venue is the festival stage of the Baroque parish church.

Dates: 27 June–5 Aug. 2017

[www.festspiele-stockerau.at](http://www.festspiele-stockerau.at)

#### INTERNATIONALE BAROCKTAGE STIFT MELK

The Melk Abbey International Baroque Festival is one of the country’s pioneering festivals for early music, presenting a distinguished line-up of musicians from both Austria and abroad. The credo “Letting the music sound in the spaces for which it was created” is the festival’s guiding principle and lends it its distinctive character. The theme for 2017: “Love and Doom”.

Dates: 1–5 June 2017

[www.barocktagemelk.at](http://www.barocktagemelk.at)

## SOMMERSONNENWENDE DONAU

The ancient tradition of celebrating the summer solstice is observed in over 20 towns and villages in the Danube region of Wachau-Nibelungengau-Kremstal. Each year around 21 June a colourful festival is held with thousands of lights drifting down the Danube and a fireworks show.

Dates: 17–24 June 2017

[www.donau.com/de/sonnenwende](http://www.donau.com/de/sonnenwende)

## Sommerfestspiele Melk

*“Bartholomäusnacht”*

Founded in 1961, the Sommerspiele Melk is one of Austria’s most venerable festivals and is Lower Austria’s longest-running theatre event.

Dates: 14 June–5 Aug. 2017

[www.sommerspielemelk.at](http://www.sommerspielemelk.at)

## Upper Austria

### FESTIVAL INNTÖNE, Diersbach

The INNtöne festival, held in the Innviertel village of Diersbach, draws nearly a thousand enthusiastic jazz fans each year.

Dates: 2–4 June 2017

[www.inntoene.com](http://www.inntoene.com)

## Salzburger Land

### CHORFESTIVAL FEUER & STIMME, St. Michael im Lungau

2017 will see the 12<sup>th</sup> edition of this international choir festival in St. Michael im Lungau, in Salzburg province.

Dates: 9–11 June 2017

[www.feuerundstimme.com](http://www.feuerundstimme.com)

## SOMMERSZENE

The contemporary world of dance is the focal point of Salzburg’s international avant-garde festival “SommerSzene”. The programme is rounded out by theatre events, music, film and visual and performance art. The festival organizers are committed to presenting the most important trends of international stage art.

Dates: 20 June–1 July 2017

[www.szene-salzburg.net](http://www.szene-salzburg.net)

## Styria

### STYRIARTE, Graz

Since 1985, over a period of one month in the summer, this Styrian festival offers fresh perspectives of our musical heritage and reflects the diversity found today in approaching the music between the Middle Ages and the Romantic period. This year’s motto is “The Dance of Life”.

Dates: 23 June–23 July 2017

[www.styriarte.com](http://www.styriarte.com)

## Tirol

### TANZSOMMER INNSBRUCK

The annual Tanzsommer Innsbruck showcases international stars of the dance scene and their exciting choreographies, from classical ballet to acrobatic avant-garde. Each year the Tirolean capital becomes a centre for dance, rhythm, and movement.

Dates: 20 June–14 July 2017

[www.tanzsommer.at](http://www.tanzsommer.at)

## Vorarlberg

### MONTFORTER ZWISCHENTÖNE, Feldkirch

*“dreaming”*

The “Montforter Zwischentöne” is held three times each year.

Dates: 22 June–2 July 2017

[www.montforter-zwischentoene.at](http://www.montforter-zwischentoene.at)

### SCHUBERTIADE, Schwarzenberg

The Schubertiade is widely considered the world’s foremost Schubert festival, and the 2017 season will again bring stellar artists to Schwarzenberg im Bregenzerwald.

Dates: 13–16 June 2017 (additional dates in August, September and October)

[www.schubertiade.at](http://www.schubertiade.at)

### TANZ IST, Dornbirn

This festival offers the entire spectrum of dance performances, from contemporary to classical ballet.

Dates: 8–18 June 2017

[www.tanzist.at](http://www.tanzist.at)

## Vienna

### FÊTE IMPÉRIALE

For this glittering ball, the Spanish Riding School is transformed into the city’s most beautiful summer venue. The net proceeds from the event go towards protecting the Lippizaners, Europe’s oldest horse breed, and preserving the Spanish Riding School.

Dates: 23 June 2017

[www.fete-imperiale.at](http://www.fete-imperiale.at)

### JAZZ FEST WIEN

The Jazz Fest Wien is a modern, urban festival with an international flavour. Launched in 1991, it has become one of the fixtures of Europe’s festival scene.

Dates: 26 June–10 July 2017

[www.viennajazz.org](http://www.viennajazz.org)

### WIEN MUSEUM

*“Falter Photo Archive”*

Dates: 1 June–27 Aug. 2017

[www.wienmuseum.at](http://www.wienmuseum.at)

## Austria

### LONG NIGHT OF CHURCHES

In the “Long Night of Churches” the churches of Austria are open not only in order to offer architecture fans and music lovers a varied programme of interesting events, but also to present the various forms of worship services and what each church has to offer to us.

Dates: 9 June 2017

[www.langenachtderkirchen.at](http://www.langenachtderkirchen.at)

## JULY

### Burgenland

#### LOCKENHAUS CHAMBER MUSIC FESTIVAL

Under the artistic direction of Nicolas Altstaedt, musicians at Lockenhaus are provided with a unique space for joint experimentation, and the musical programmes evolve on the spot through this process.

Dates: 6–15 July 2017

[www.kammermusikfest.at](http://www.kammermusikfest.at)

#### OPER IM STEINBRUCH, St. Margarethen

In 2017 the “Opera in the Quarry” will present one of Giuseppe Verdi’s most beloved operas: “Rigoletto” will premiere on 12 July on the open-air stage.

Dates: 12 July–19 Aug. 2017

[www.operimsteinbruch.at](http://www.operimsteinbruch.at)

#### PICNIC CONCERTS, Esterházy Palace, Eisenstadt

The Picnic Concerts on the lovely palace grounds offer a delightful combination of music, nature and architecture. Picnic baskets are available at the palace.

Dates: 15–16 July 2017

[www.esterhazy.at](http://www.esterhazy.at)

#### SEEFESTSPIELE MÖRBISCH

*“Der Vogelhändler”*

After an absence of almost 20 years, two of the most well-known characters from the operetta genre are returning to the lakeside stage in the form of Christel, the postmistress, and Adam, the bird seller. Mistaken identities, intrigue and love – “Der Vogelhändler” (The Bird Seller) combines all the classic ingredients of an operetta to masterful effect.

Dates: 7 July–19 Aug. 2017

[www.seefestspiele-moerbisch.at](http://www.seefestspiele-moerbisch.at)

### Carinthia

#### CARINTHIAN SUMMER

The Carinthian Summer Music Festival takes place in July and August and presents an eclectic programme of events ranging from early music to contemporary compositions. The performance venues – among them Ossiach Abbey’s collegiate church, the Alban Berg Saal and the mountain church in Tiffen bei Feldkirchen – enthral visitors every year with their very special atmosphere.

Dates: 16 July–26 Aug. 2017

[www.carinthischersommer.at](http://www.carinthischersommer.at)

#### ENSEMBLE:PORCIA, Spittal an der Drau

Theatre lovers can enjoy Europe’s best-known comedies in one of Austria’s loveliest Renaissance castles. Porcia Castle was built by the Spanish Count Salamanca and long served as a residence for the noble Porcia family of Italy. Today it is the performance venue for the Ensemble:Porcia summer festival.

Dates: 14 July–1 Sept. 2017

[www.ensemble-porcia.at](http://www.ensemble-porcia.at)

## Lower Austria

### FESTIVAL RETZ

The festival with the motto “Open Borders” will for the first time feature a work written especially for Retz: Christoph Ehrenfellner was commissioned to compose a church opera, at the centre of which is one of the New Testament’s most enigmatic figures. Was Judas Iscariot a political visionary or an obstinate fanatic? Was he merely a shabby traitor or perhaps part of a higher, divine plan?

Dates: 6–23 July 2017

[www.festivalretz.at](http://www.festivalretz.at)

### FESTSPIELE REICHENAU

Since its founding in 1988, the Reichenau Festival has become a fixture of the summer festival calendar. It presents four new theatre productions each year with some 120 performances in a five-week season extending from the beginning of July to the beginning of August.

Dates: 1 July–5 Aug. 2017

[www.festspiele-reichenau.com](http://www.festspiele-reichenau.com)

### GLATT&VERKEHRT

Tradition and departure – at Glatt&Verkehrt this has been the theme since the event’s founding in 1997. At this festival in the town of Krems no one asks about styles and genres, but rather about regions, origins and the roots of world music.

Dates: 1–30 July 2017 (additional dates in September)

[www.glattundverkehrt.at](http://www.glattundverkehrt.at)

### INTERNATIONALE KONZERTTAGE STIFT ZWETTL

The organ in the west gallery of the monastery church of Zwettl is the focal point of this music festival. It was completed in 1731 by Johann Ignaz Egedacher. Concerts will again be held in the imposing monastery library as well.

Dates: 1–9 July 2017

[www.stift-zwettl.at](http://www.stift-zwettl.at)

### SCHRAMMEL.KLANG.FESTIVAL, Litschau

The “Schrammel.Klang.Festival” takes place each summer in Litschau am Herrenalpe, in Lower Austria’s Waldviertel region. The special qualities of this music have always been the connection between the musicians and the listeners, the intimate atmosphere and above all the love of the music.

Dates: 7–9 July 2017

[www.schrammelklang.at](http://www.schrammelklang.at)

### Sommerfestspiele Melk

*“Birdland – Das Glück ist ein Vogel”*

Founded in 1961, the Sommerspiele Melk is one of Austria’s most venerable festivals and is Lower Austria’s longest-running theatre event.

Dates: 6 July–14 Aug. 2017

[www.sommerspielemelk.at](http://www.sommerspielemelk.at)

### OPER KLOSTERNEUBURG, Klosterneuburg Monastery

The “operklosterneuburg” is an open-air event and takes place, weather permitting, in the Kaiserhof of Klosterneuburg Monastery. For his 20<sup>th</sup> season as artistic director, Michael Garschall will stage Rossini’s hugely entertaining comic opera “Le comte Ory”.

Dates: 8 July–4 Aug. 2017

[www.operklosterneuburg.at](http://www.operklosterneuburg.at)

### WELLENKLÄNGE, Lunz am See

Lake Lunz and the mountain panorama of the Alpine foothills provide the backdrop for a festival that is dedicated to creating a mixture of styles and genres that transcends musical borders.

Dates: 7–29 July 2017

[www.wellenklaenge.at](http://www.wellenklaenge.at)

### Upper Austria

#### ATTERGAU CULTURAL SUMMER

Both the programming and the selection of artists make Upper Austria's Attergau Cultural Summer an internationally acclaimed and very popular festival.

Dates: 21 July–15 Aug. 2017

[www.attergauer-kultursommer.at](http://www.attergauer-kultursommer.at)

#### DONAU FESTWOCHE IM STRUDENGAU

The donauFESTWOCHE im Strudengau, held at historic locations on and near the Danube, offers a fine mix of early music spiced with contemporary works.

Dates: 28 July–15 Aug. 2017

[www.donau-festwochen.at](http://www.donau-festwochen.at)

#### KLASSIK AM DOM, Linz

Internationally acclaimed artists can be experienced in Linz, including the Austrian percussionist Martin Grubinger, Best of Haindling & Carmina Burana and the celebrated bass-baritone Erwin Schrott.

Dates: 16–19 July 2017

[www.klassikamdom.at](http://www.klassikamdom.at)

#### PFLASTERSPEKTAKEL, Linz

The International Street Art Festival Linz, one of the largest of its kind in Europe, presents an outstanding variety of improvisational theatre, comedy, juggling, clownery, high-wire and fire acrobatics, and performance art and music of all kinds.

Dates: 20–22 July 2017

[www.pflasterspektakel.at](http://www.pflasterspektakel.at)

#### SALZKAMMERGUT FESTWOCHE GMUNDEN

2017 marks the 30<sup>th</sup> season of the Salzkammergut Festwochen Gmunden. A wide variety of high-quality concerts, readings and lied recitals draws culture lovers each year to one of Austria's most scenic regions.

Dates: July–August 2017

[www.festwochen-gmunden.at](http://www.festwochen-gmunden.at)

### Salzburger Land

#### SALZBURG FESTIVAL

The Salzburg Festival is one of the world's most prestigious classical-music festivals and has since its inception been synonymous with high musical quality, the commitment of international artists and a fortuitous combination of tradition and innovation. The programme features opera, theatre and concerts.

Dates: 21 July–30 Aug. 2017

[www.salzburgerfestspiele.at](http://www.salzburgerfestspiele.at)

## **SALZBURG MUSEUM**

*“Albrecht Altdorfer in Salzburg”*

This exhibition sees itself fundamentally as a visualization of research questions, presenting not only selected works by Altdorfer but also a large number of photographs, documents and other material.

Dates: 21 July–29 Oct. 2017

[www.salzburgmuseum.at](http://www.salzburgmuseum.at)

## **Styria**

### **MID EUROPE, Schladming**

“Mid Europe” is a world-renowned international wind-music festivals and Europe’s largest festival for wind orchestras and ensembles. Over 30 groups with some 2,500 participants bring music from all over the world – from folk music to jazz – to Schladming and Haus im Ennstal.

Dates: 11–16 July 2017

[www.mideurope.at](http://www.mideurope.at)

### **LA STRADA, Graz**

This festival for street artists and puppet theatre turns the streets and squares of Graz into stages and enchants audiences with acrobatics, dance, theatre and pantomime.

Dates: 28 July–5 Aug. 2017

[www.lastrada.at](http://www.lastrada.at)

## **Tirol**

### **INNSBRUCK FESTIVAL OF EARLY MUSIC, Innsbruck**

In the Renaissance and Baroque, Innsbruck was one of Europe’s most important musical centres. The Innsbruck Festival of Early Music, the oldest existing festival of its kind, carries on this tradition each summer.

Dates: 18 July–27 Aug. 2017

[www.altemusik.at](http://www.altemusik.at)

### **TIROLEAN FESTIVAL ERL**

The Festspielhaus Erl makes the TIROlean Festival Erl a cultural highlight of the summer. World-famous operas and inspiring concerts are on the programme.

Dates: 6–30 July 2017

[www.tiroler-festspiele.at](http://www.tiroler-festspiele.at)

### **TIROLER VOLKSSCHAUSPIELE TELFS**

This festival celebrates folk theatre in Telfs with performances by theatre groups from all over the German-speaking world.

Dates: July–August 2017

[www.volksschauspiele.at](http://www.volksschauspiele.at)

## **Vorarlberg**

### **ART BODENSEE**

“Art Bodensee” shows a thoughtfully curated selection of modern, post-modern and contemporary art: big names and newcomers, paintings, collages, drawings and sculptures from some 50 galleries. In addition to the exhibited works, Art Bodensee also offers an extensive supporting programme.

Dates: 21–23 July 2017

[www.artbodensee.messedornbirn.at](http://www.artbodensee.messedornbirn.at)



## BREGENZ FESTIVAL

### “Carmen”

Georges Bizet’s beloved opera “Carmen” is the featured work this year on Bregenz’s lake stage.

Dates: 19 July–20 Aug. 2017

[www.bregenzerfestspiele.com](http://www.bregenzerfestspiele.com)

## KUNSTHAUS BREGENZ

### “Peter Zumthor–Zumthor’s World”

The 2017 summer exhibition is dedicated to Peter Zumthor, the architect of the Kunsthaus Bregenz.

Dates: 15 July–8 Oct. 2017

[www.kunsthhaus-bregenz.at](http://www.kunsthhaus-bregenz.at)

## poolbar//festival, Feldkirch

The “poolbar//festival 2017” features a varied event programme between “niches and pop”, including cabaret, literature, dance, music and film. The unique venue is a stylish old converted indoor swimming pool set in a lovely park, directly next to the town centre.

Dates: 7 July–19 Aug. 2017

[www.poolbar.at](http://www.poolbar.at)

## SCHUBERTIAD E, Hohenems

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Dates: 13–16 July 2017 (additional dates in September and October)

[www.schubertiade.at](http://www.schubertiade.at)

## Vienna

### IMPULSTANZ

“ImPulsTanz” is Europe’s largest festival for contemporary dance.

For five weeks, thousands of professional dancers, choreographers, teachers and students from all over the world transform Vienna into the dance capital of the world. Performance venues include the Vienna State Opera, the Burgtheater and the Volkstheater. Workshops by professional dancers will also be offered.

Dates: 13 July–13 Aug. 2017

[www.impulstanz.com](http://www.impulstanz.com)

### FILM FESTIVAL RATHAUSPLATZ, Vienna

Each summer Vienna’s Rathausplatz becomes the meeting place of classical-music fans and nighthawks who enjoy outstanding music films shown on a huge screen. Admission is free and there are culinary offerings from around the world.

Dates: 1 July–3 Sept. 2017

[www.filmfestival-rathausplatz.at](http://www.filmfestival-rathausplatz.at)

## AUGUST

### Burgenland

#### INTERNATIONAL HAYDN FESTIVAL EISENSTADT

In 2017 the International Haydn Festival continues its geographical focus with “Haydn & Paris”. Concert-goers experience renowned orchestras, conductors and internationally celebrated soloists at concerts and recitals presented at venues where Haydn himself was active.

Dates: 24 Aug.–3 Sept. 2017



[www.haydnfestival.at](http://www.haydnfestival.at)

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[www.seefestspiele-moerbisch.at](http://www.seefestspiele-moerbisch.at)

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[www.operimsteinbruch.at](http://www.operimsteinbruch.at)

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[www.ensemble-porcia.at](http://www.ensemble-porcia.at)

## Lower Austria

### ALLEGRO VIVO, Waldviertel

In August and September, the Waldviertel region is transformed into an Austrian centre for chamber music, when the area’s loveliest abbeys, castles and historic churches become concert stages for some 650 musicians from around the world.

Dates: 4 Aug.–17 Sept. 2017

[www.allegro-vivo.at](http://www.allegro-vivo.at)

### FESTSPIELE REICHENAU

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Dates: 1 July–5 Aug. 2017

[www.festspiele-reichenau.com](http://www.festspiele-reichenau.com)

### GRAFENEGG FESTIVAL

The Grafenegg Festival is among Europe’s most important performance venues for international orchestras and is the high point of Lower Austria’s summer cultural offerings.

Dates: 18 Aug.–10 Sept. 2017

[www.grafenegg.com](http://www.grafenegg.com)

## Upper Austria

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Dates: 21 July–15 Aug. 2107

[www.attergauer-kultursommer.at](http://www.attergauer-kultursommer.at)

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Dates: 28 July–15 Aug. 2017

[www.donau-festwochen.at](http://www.donau-festwochen.at)

### **ST. FLORIANER BRUCKNERTAGE**

The 2017 edition of this venerable festival is dedicated to Anton Bruckner's fifth symphony, following the motto: "Reaching for the stars".

Dates: 13–19 Aug. 2017

[www.brucknertage.at](http://www.brucknertage.at)

## Salzburger Land

### **INTERNATIONALES JAZZFESTIVAL SAALFELDEN**

The top-flight jazz festival in Saalfelden-Leogang returns in 2017 with a range of musical offerings from contemporary jazz to experimental sound installations, and featuring a host of prominent international artists.

Dates: 24–27 Aug. 2017

[www.jazzsaalfelden.com](http://www.jazzsaalfelden.com)

## Styria

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Dates: 18 July–27 Aug. 2017

[www.altmusik.at](http://www.altmusik.at)

### **OUTREACH, Schwaz**

It has now been 23 years since the trumpeter and composer Franz Hackl, who now makes his home in New York, founded the Outreach jazz festival in his native town of Schwaz. Each August the world's finest jazz players descend on this Tirolean town and mix their beloved jazz with a variety of other musical styles.

Dates: 3–5 Aug. 2017

[www.outreach.at](http://www.outreach.at)

### **FILMFEST ST. ANTON**

Authentic films exploring the theme of "Mountains – People – Adventure"; films that move and touch the viewer with exceptional camera perspectives and nature scenes – all this and more awaits the visitors to the film festival.

Dates: 23–26 Aug. 2017

[www.filmfest-stanton.at](http://www.filmfest-stanton.at)

## Vorarlberg

### BEZAU BEATZ, Bregenzwald

“Bezau Beatz” surprises visitors each year anew with music from all over the world. On the village square of picturesque Bezau, in Vorarlberg’s Bregenzwald, listeners are treated to pop, classical, jazz, rock and sounds from the region.

Dates: 10–12 Aug. 2017

[www.bezaubeatz.at](http://www.bezaubeatz.at)

### ALPINALE VORARLBERG, Nenzing

Each summer the ALPINALE presents the traditional short-film festival in the Vorarlberg town of Nenzing. From the large number of humorous, moving and suspenseful submissions, the top films are selected by an international jury and by the audiences.

Dates: 8–12 Aug. 2017

[www.alpinale.at](http://www.alpinale.at)

### SCHUBERTIAD E, Schwarzenberg

The Schubertiade is widely considered the world’s foremost Schubert festival, and the 2017 season will again bring stellar artists to Schwarzenberg im Bregenzwald.

Dates: 25–31 Aug. 2017

[www.schubertiade.at](http://www.schubertiade.at)

## SEPTEMBER

## Burgenland

### HERBSTGOLD, Eisenstadt

“Herbstgold” is the name of the autumn festival at Esterházy Palace that unites classical music, jazz and Roma-Balkan music with the food and traditions of this historic venue. The theme for 2017 is the experience and idea of revolutions. The grand finale is a quartet marathon, in which no fewer than four ensembles perform all over the palace, from the wine cellar to the salon of the princess, thus offering a special kind of revolutionary concert experience.

Dates: 6–16 Sept. 2017

[www.herbstgold.co](http://www.herbstgold.co)

## Carinthia

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[www.ensemble-porcia.at](http://www.ensemble-porcia.at)

### TRIGONALE

The Trigonale Festival of Early Music is held each year in Carinthia. It is not only the unconventional performance venues in St. Veit and vicinity that make the Trigonale such a special event, but also the imaginative programming.

Dates: 1–10 Sept. 2017

[www.trigonale.com](http://www.trigonale.com)

## Lower Austria

### FESTIVAL MUSICA SACRA

The renowned "Festival Musica Sacra" has become a fixture on the autumn event calendar of the Lower Austrian city of St. Pölten and its vicinity. Familiar as well as new works representing a wide variety of musical styles will be presented to audiences at concerts and masses. Performance venues include the St. Pölten Cathedral and the abbey churches of Herzogenburg and Lilienfeld.

Dates: 10 Sept.–22 Oct. 2017

[www.festival-musica-sacra.at](http://www.festival-musica-sacra.at)

### GLATT&VERKEHRT HERBSTZEITLOS

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[www.glattundverkehrt.at](http://www.glattundverkehrt.at)

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Dates: 18 Aug.–10 Sept. 2017

[www.grafenegg.com](http://www.grafenegg.com)

### HAYDN DAYS AT ROHRAU CASTLE

Rohrau, located only a short drive from Vienna, is the birthplace of Joseph Haydn, whose works serve as the centrepiece of the concert series held each year at the castle.

Dates: 16–17 Sept. 2017

[www.schloss-rohrau.at](http://www.schloss-rohrau.at)

## Upper Austria

### ARS ELECTRONICA FESTIVAL, Linz

The Ars Electronica is one of the world's most important festivals of media art and offers a unique platform for digital art, technology and media culture.

Dates: 7–11 Sept. 2017

[www.aec.at/festival](http://www.aec.at/festival)

### INTERNATIONALES BRUCKNERFEST LINZ

This traditional music event pays homage to the famous Upper Austrian composer Anton Bruckner.

Dates: 16 Sept.–13 Oct. 2017

[www.brucknerfest.at](http://www.brucknerfest.at)

## Styria

### STEIRISCHER HERBST, Graz

The steirischer herbst has re-invented itself many times in its history. In 2017 the festival will again present a cultural programme integrating artistic disciplines including theatre, performance, dance, visual art, music and film. The festival concept is the interconnection of aesthetic positions with theoretical discourse.

Dates: 22 Sept.–15 Oct. 2017

[www.steirischerherbst.at](http://www.steirischerherbst.at)

## Tirol

### KLANGSPUREN SCHWAZ

In 2017 Tirol's New Music Festival takes as its motto "Any questions?", focusing on compositions by women.

Dates: 7–23 Sept. 2017

[www.klangspuren.at](http://www.klangspuren.at)

### SPRACHSALZ, Hall

The year 2017 marks the 15<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Sprachsalz ("Language Salt"), the Tirolean Literature Festival in Hall, a varied event in which prominent authors are invited to give readings from their books. The programme also includes literary workshops.

Dates: 8–10 Sept. 2017

[www.sprachsalz.com](http://www.sprachsalz.com)

## Vorarlberg

### PHILOSOPHICUM LECH

"The Courage to Be Lazy: Work and its Fate"

Over the past several years this trans-disciplinary symposium has established itself as an international centre for reflections on philosophy, culture and society, and for discussions and encounters.

Dates: 20–24 Sept. 2017

[www.philosophicum.com](http://www.philosophicum.com)

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[www.schubertiade.at](http://www.schubertiade.at)

## Vienna

### ALBERTINA

"Pieter Bruegel the Elder"

The Albertina owns a collection of works by Pieter Bruegel the Elder that is unique in the world, including six of his approximately 60 extant drawings and his entire output of graphic works. The exhibition examines Bruegel's artistic beginnings and offers an overview of his graphic oeuvre.

Dates: 8 Sept.–3 Dec. 2017

[www.albertina.at](http://www.albertina.at)

### ALBERTINA

"Raphael"

In collaboration with the Ashmolean Museum in Oxford, which possesses the largest and most representative collection of drawings by the artist, the Albertina mounts an extensive exhibition of Raphael's most beautiful works on paper.

Dates: 29 Sept. 2017–7 Jan. 2018

[www.albertina.at](http://www.albertina.at)

### VIENNA CONTEMPORARY

The art fair "Viennafair" changed both its name and its location in 2015: the event now is held as "viennacontemporary" in Vienna's Marx Halle. It is Austria's newest international fair for contemporary art.

Dates: 21–24 Sept. 2017

[www.viennacontemporary.at](http://www.viennacontemporary.at)

## VIENNA DESIGN WEEK

The VIENNA DESIGN WEEK shows the latest creative output in the areas of product, furniture, industrial and experimental design, bringing these creations alive for visitors.

Dates: 29 Sept.–8 Oct. 2017

[www.viennadesignweek.at](http://www.viennadesignweek.at)

## OCTOBER

### Burgenland

#### LISZT FESTIVAL RAIDING

The “Liszt Festival Raiding” continues to be one of the world’s most important and renowned celebrations of the music of Franz Liszt.

Dates: 18–22 Oct. 2017

[www.lisztfestival.at](http://www.lisztfestival.at)

### Carinthia

#### CARINTHIAN MUSEUM OF MODERN ART, Klagenfurt

*Franz Yang-Močnik*

Dates: 25 Oct.–31 Dec. 2017

[www.mmkk.at](http://www.mmkk.at)

### Lower Austria

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The Schubertiade is widely considered the world’s foremost Schubert festival, and the 2017 season will again bring stellar artists to Hohenems.

Dates: 5–8 Oct. 2017

[www.schubertiade.at](http://www.schubertiade.at)

## Vienna

### ALBERTINA

*“Robert Frank”*

In this exhibition, the Albertina shows selected groups of works that make it possible to retrace Robert Frank's development as an artist: from his early Swiss photo reportages and travel photos for publications like “Life” and “Vogue” to his “The Americans” series and on to his introspective late oeuvre, central aspects of his work are placed front and centre.

Dates: 25 Oct. 2017–21 Jan. 2018

[www.albertina.at](http://www.albertina.at)

### BANK AUSTRIA KUNSTFORUM

*“Gerhard Rühm”*

The Austrian graphic, object and photographic artist, poet and composer Gerhard Rühm was co-founder of the Wiener Gruppe (Vienna Group) and in his graphic work constantly pursues an expansion of the medium of “language and speech”. The autumn exhibition of the Bank Austria Kunstforum will present the multifarious oeuvre spanning more than six decades of the work of versatile artist Gerhard Rühm.

Dates: 4 Oct. 2017–28 Jan. 2018

[www.bankaustria-kunstforum.at](http://www.bankaustria-kunstforum.at)

### KUNSTHISTORISCHES MUSEUM

*“Peter Paul Rubens”*

In the autumn of 2017 the Kunsthistorisches Museum honours this giant of European art history with a major exhibition. The museum's extensive holdings will be augmented by numerous international loans, creating a spectacular ensemble.

Dates: 17 Oct. 2017–21 Jan. 2018

[www.khm.at](http://www.khm.at)

### BLICKFANG

The international trade fair for furniture, jewellery and fashion presents design in all its facets, featuring special exhibits and workshops, numerous new exhibitors and products shown for the very first time.

Dates: 27–29 Oct. 2017

[www.blickfang.com](http://www.blickfang.com)

### VIENNALE

Film festival with international films, celebrity guests and audiences. An annual crowd-puller that in 2017 celebrates its 55<sup>th</sup> season.

Dates: 19 Oct.–1 Nov. 2017

[www.viennale.at](http://www.viennale.at)

## Austria

### LONG NIGHT OF MUSEUMS, Austria

A perennial crowd-puller: some 680 museums all over Austria are open from 6 p.m. to 1 a.m. on this evening and draw enormous crowds of locals as well as visitors. Some museums offer a supporting programme in the form of culinary or musical treats.

Dates: 7 Oct. 2017

[www.langenacht.orf.at](http://www.langenacht.orf.at)

## NOVEMBER

### Salzburger Land

#### WINTERFEST IM VOLKSGARTEN SALZBURG

The “Winterfest”, held each year in Salzburg’s Volksgarten, is Austria’s largest festival for contemporary circus artistry. Modern circus is a compilation of a wide variety of artistic genres, ranging from the visual to the performing arts, and from dance and music to theatre, acrobatics and puppet theatre.

Dates: 29 Nov. 2017–7 Jan. 2018

[www.winterfest.at](http://www.winterfest.at)

### Vorarlberg

#### ART DESIGN FELDKIRCH

International fair at the interface of design, fashion, photography and media art.

Dates: 10–12 Nov. 2017

[www.feldkirch.at/artdesign](http://www.feldkirch.at/artdesign)

#### MONTFORTER ZWISCHENTÖNE, Feldkirch

“concluding”

The “Montforter Zwischentöne” is held three times each year.

Dates: 16–19 Nov. 2017

[www.montforter-zwischentoene.at](http://www.montforter-zwischentoene.at)

### Vienna

#### ADVENT CONCERTS AT ST. STEPHEN’S

The Advent concerts held in St. Stephen’s Cathedral feature chamber music, Advent songs and readings of Advent stories, performed by soloists of the Vienna Chamber Orchestra.

Dates: 25 Nov.–23 Dec. 2017

[www.kunstkultur.com](http://www.kunstkultur.com)

#### KLEZMORE FESTIVAL

The festival programme encompasses contemporary interpretations of klezmer music as well as presentations of the genre’s more traditional forms. Visitors can also take advantage of a varied supporting programme featuring cabaret, films and lectures.

Dates: 4–19 Nov. 2017

[www.klezmore-vienna.at](http://www.klezmore-vienna.at)

#### ONE MONTH OF JAZZ & BLUES

Vienna has quite a vibrant jazz and blues scene, with a large number of clubs around the capital city featuring live sessions every evening during this festival month.

Dates: 1–30 Nov.

[www.ig-jazz.at](http://www.ig-jazz.at)

#### VOICE MANIA 2017– International A Capella Festival

Every year soloists and ensembles from all around the world gather in Vienna for this international festival of vocal acrobats to prove that the human voice can be used for more than just conventional singing: it moves and seduces the listener with nearly unimaginable sounds and rhythms, covering all musical genres and styles.

Dates: 3 Nov.–3 Dec. 2017

[www.voicemania.at](http://www.voicemania.at)



### WIEN MODERN

WIEN MODERN is Austria's largest festival for contemporary music. Since the event's founding in 1988, Vienna's Konzerthaus has served as the festival venue.

Dates: 31 Oct.–1 Dec. 2017

[www.wienmodern.at](http://www.wienmodern.at)

### VIENNA BALL SEASON

Vienna's ball season traditionally kicks off in November. In addition to numerous splendid balls held at the Hofburg and the Rathaus, one of the most famous events is certainly the Opera Ball, held at the Vienna State Opera.

Dates: beginning in November

[www.ballkalender.cc](http://www.ballkalender.cc)

### WINTER IM MQ

DJ sounds, cultural events, sophisticated punch variations and much more: this is "Winter at the MQ". From the beginning of November to 23 December, Vienna's MuseumsQuartier arts complex is transformed into a wintertime living room in the middle of the city, offering a pre-Christmas atmosphere of a slightly different kind. When it grows dark, artistic light installations create a very special ambience in the MQ's inner courtyard as well as on the square in front of the complex.

At the same time, cultural events take place throughout the entire complex, in particular in the museums, exhibition halls and event venues.

Dates: beginning of November until 23 Dec.

[www.mqw.at](http://www.mqw.at)

## DECEMBER

### Tirol

#### TIROLEAN FESTIVAL ERL

The Festspielhaus Erl makes the TIROLean Festival Erl a cultural highlight. World-famous operas and inspiring concerts are on the programme.

Dates: 26 Dec. 2017–8 Jan. 2018

[www.tiroler-festspiele.at](http://www.tiroler-festspiele.at)

### Vienna

#### MUSIKALISCHER ADVENTKALENDER

In Vienna, the city of music, the pre-Christmas season is brightened by a "musical Advent calendar". In December, a concert of "Wienerlieder" is held every evening in a different district, featuring interpretations ranging from traditional to modern.

Dates: 1–23 Dec.

[www.wienerlied-and.at](http://www.wienerlied-and.at)

## ALL YEAR ROUND

### Vienna

#### “a-show”

With the long-running exhibition “a\_show” the Architekturzentrum Wien opens a permanent showcase for the cultural identity of the nation, presenting 150 years of impressive Austrian architecture history for the first time in one exhibition.

Opening times: daily 10 a.m.-7 p.m.

[www.azw.at](http://www.azw.at)

#### HAUS DER MUSIK

The Haus der Musik is a modern, interactive museum of sound. A total of 5,000 square meters are devoted exclusively to areas focusing on a wide array of approaches to music, and most of all, to the experience of music.

Opening times: daily 10 a.m.-10 p.m.

[www.hausdermusik.at](http://www.hausdermusik.at)

#### JEWISH MUSEUM VIENNA

After a thorough renovation, the Jewish Museum, located at Dorotheergasse 11, in Vienna's first district, now boasts a reoriented Visible Display and a new permanent exhibition. The permanent exhibition at the Jewish Museum is divided into three areas. The Visible Display presents collections and the collectors behind them, such as Max Berger. The atelier is a workshop as well as an exhibition area presenting objects of everyday rituals. The permanent show “Our City! Jewish Vienna – Then to Now” provides comprehensive insights into Jewish life and the history of Jewish Vienna.

Opening times: Jewish Museum Vienna, Sunday to Friday 10 a.m.-6 p.m., closed Saturdays  
Jewish Museum am Judenplatz, Sunday to Thursday 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Friday 10 a.m.-2 p.m., closed Saturdays

[www.jmw.at](http://www.jmw.at)

#### IMPERIAL APARTMENTS

The former private chambers of the imperial family in the Hofburg Palace still retain the splendour of that time. Here, one can also view some of Empress Elisabeth's personal possessions at the Sisi Museum and the imperial family's magnificent dinner service in the Silver Collection.

Opening times: September to June 9 a.m.-5:30 p.m., July and August 9 a.m.-6 p.m.

[www.hofburg-wien.at](http://www.hofburg-wien.at)

#### MOZARTHAUS VIENNA

The only one of Mozart's dwellings in Vienna that has been preserved is located at Domgasse No. 5, in the city's first district. The composer lived here from 1784 to 1787 in grand style, with four large rooms, two smaller ones, and a kitchen. The exhibitions presented at the Mozarthaus Vienna extend over four levels and explore the composer's life and work. One exhibition of the archive of the Gesellschaft der Musikfreunde in Vienna, titled “Mozart at the Mozarthaus: Highlights of a Composer's Everyday Life”, focuses primarily on the many works that Mozart composed at this very location, such as “The Marriage of Figaro” and three of his six Haydn Quartets. A second exhibition explores the world-wide success of the 1985 song “Rock Me Amadeus”, by the late Austrian pop singer Falco.

Opening times: daily 10 a.m.-7 p.m.

[www.mozarthausvienna.at](http://www.mozarthausvienna.at)

### AUGARTEN PORCELAIN MUSEUM

The museum traces the history of Viennese porcelain with over 150 representative pieces from various artistic phases. At the beginning of the exhibition, visitors learn details about the genesis of porcelain in China and the enthusiasm aristocratic Europeans had for this product. This fascination ultimately led to the rediscovery of the original technique for porcelain-making in Europe and to the founding of the first Viennese manufactory under Claudius Innocentius de Paquier in 1718. The manufactory's various stages of porcelain production are vividly illustrated as well, giving visitors the opportunity to touch and feel samples of porcelain's essential ingredients: kaolin ("china clay"), feldspar ("china stone") and quartz.

The ground floor is dedicated to the 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> centuries and hosts the actual company museum. In 1923 the Porcelain Manufactory at Augarten, its present location, was opened. Inspired by the Vienna Workshops and art deco, a number of figurines and services were crafted by well-known artists of the time.

Opening times: Monday to Saturday 10 a.m.-6 p.m., closed Sundays and holidays

[www.augarten.at](http://www.augarten.at)

### SCHÖNBRUNN PALACE

Schönbrunn Palace is a World Cultural Heritage Site and Austria's most-visited sight. Today the Baroque palace and gardens, a total work of art that was in the possession of the Habsburgs for centuries, has been largely restored to its original state. At the end of the 17<sup>th</sup> century, Emperor Leopold I charged the brilliant architect Bernhard Fischer von Erlach with building an imperial hunting palace for his son Joseph I. A half-century later, Schönbrunn Palace became the summer residence of Empress Maria Theresa, who transformed it into the splendid focal point of courtly life. The magnificent architecture and exquisite state rooms make Schönbrunn Palace a tourist attraction of the first order.

Opening times: daily, including holidays

[www.schoenbrunn.at](http://www.schoenbrunn.at)

### TECHNISCHES MUSEUM

*"The Urban Future, thinking\_forward\_"*

The city is undisputedly the living space of the future. Millions of people and therefore just as many different needs and desires converge in the close quarters of modern cities. This large-scale and exciting exhibition addresses topical issues such as social visions, technical innovations, research and urban development.

Dates: until June 2018

[www.technischesmuseum.at](http://www.technischesmuseum.at)

### VIKTOR FRANKL MUSEUM

A museum in Vienna's ninth district is dedicated to the world-renowned founder of logotherapy and existential therapy, Viktor E. Frankl. The first Viktor Frankl Museum in the world is small but distinguished. It was in this very building that the famous physician and philosopher lived from the end of the Second World War until his death in 1997. The museum was opened in March 2015, when the Holocaust survivor would have turned 110 years old. At the museum, visitors can learn about Viktor E. Frankl's life, his philosophy and his brand of psychotherapy. In the course of learning about the development of a genius, visitors also gain insight into their own opportunities and personal potential.

Opening times: Monday and Friday 1 p.m.-6 p.m., Saturday 11 a.m.-6 p.m., every first Friday of the month 1 p.m.-8 p.m.

[www.franklzentrum.org](http://www.franklzentrum.org)

## VIENNA PICTURE GALLERY

The Picture Gallery of the Austrian Academy of Fine Arts is one of the insider's tips among Vienna's museums. Tucked away behind the façade of the University of Applied Arts, it is today one of the three world-class collections of old masters in Vienna, alongside the Kunsthistorisches Museum and the Upper Belvedere, and represents one of the few relics of the grand past of Vienna's Academy of Fine Arts. One undisputed masterpiece in the gallery is the "Last Judgment" triptych by Hieronymus Bosch, while important works by Lukas Cranach, Botticelli, Titian, Rubens and Rembrandt are also on display.

Opening times: Tuesday-Sunday and holidays 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; closed on 1 Jan. and 24 and 25 Dec.

[www.akademiegalerie.at](http://www.akademiegalerie.at)

## IMPERIAL TREASURY

Housed in the oldest part of the Hofburg complex (13<sup>th</sup> century) is one of the world's most astounding treasure troves. Visitors marvel not only at the Imperial Crown of the Holy Roman Empire (from 962) and the Imperial Crown of Austria (1602), but also at the treasures of the Burgundian Inheritance (15<sup>th</sup> century) and the Order of the Golden Fleece.

Opening times: daily except Tuesday 9 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

[www.wiener-schatzkammer.at](http://www.wiener-schatzkammer.at)

## NEWCOMERS on the MUSEUM SCENE

### Vienna

#### DOM MUSEUM WIEN

In autumn 2017, after several years of renovation, the Dom Museum Wien will reopen as a conceptually redesigned museum. The museum, situated directly on Stephansplatz, will present itself in a completely new look. The conceptual emphasis is at the crossroads of art, religion, and society. Converted to designs by Boris Podrecca, the building will comprise an open entrance area at Stephansplatz No. 6, where exhibits of medieval sacred art, classic avant-garde art from the Otto Mauer Collection, and contemporary artistic positions enter into an inspiring dialogue. The exhibition can be experienced as part of thematic guided tours or as fascinating art workshops in the Dom Atelier. An interactive multimedia app in several languages will also be available.

Opening: autumn 2017

[www.dommuseum.at](http://www.dommuseum.at)

#### Weltmuseum

Autumn 2017 will see the reopening of the Weltmuseum Vienna, one of the most important ethnological museums in the world. On display will be exhibits ranging from the world-famous "Penacho" Mexican feather headdress to objects collected by the British seafarer James Cook.

Opening: autumn 2017

[www.weltmuseumwien.at](http://www.weltmuseumwien.at)