

JANUARY & FEBRUARY 2024

The Monthly Newsletter from GZH

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The year of 2024 is quite a prominent year for Goethe-Zentrum Hyderabad as it marks the institute's 20th year.

We started the year with a bang with the resounding success of the Hyderabad Literary Festival. This gives us a glimpse of the iconic events to follow. As the well-wishers of GZH, we look forward to your ongoing participation and support in all that we do!

We would love to hear about your experience with GZH! Please write to us, sharing your GZH story, at ProgGZH@goethe-hyderabad.org

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A2 Offline Crash Course

12.02.2024
09:30am-12:45pm
Mon-Fri
8 weeks
Rs.27,730/-

B1 Early Morning Offline Course

19.02.2024
07:00am-09:15am
Mon-Fri
08:00am-10:15am
Sat
9 weeks
Rs.27,730/-

Upcoming Examinations

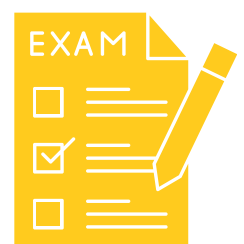
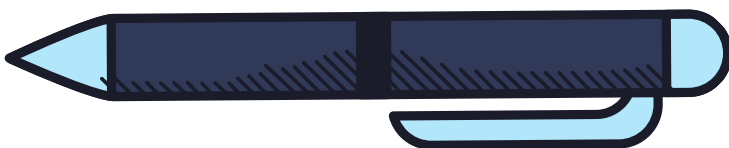
REGISTRATIONS ARE OPEN FOR THE FOLLOWING EXAMS:

Goethe-Zertifikat
B2 Exam
07.03.2024

Goethe-Zertifikat
A1 Exam
12.03.2024

Goethe-Zertifikat
B1 Exam
13.03.2024

Goethe-Zertifikat
A2 Exam
19.03.2024



For more details contact: Infogzh@goethe-hyderabad.org

ONGOING GERMAN COURSES & EXAMS

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Ongoing Courses

A1 Online Evening Course

26.10.2023

05:00pm-07:15pm

Mon-Fri

B1 Early Morning Offline Course

27.11.2023

07:00am-09:15am

Mon-Sat

A1 Offline Crash Course

30.01.2024

09:30am-12:45pm

Mon-Fri

B1 Morning Course

30.01.2024

09:30 am-12:30pm

Mon-Sat

Examinations

Goethe A1 Exam

06.02.2024

Goethe B2 Exam

07.02.2024

Goethe B1 Exam

13.02.2024

Goethe A2 Exam

20.02.2024

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WELCOME TO MEDIATHEK!

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Hallo Leseratten!

Greetings from the Mediathek at GZH. We are delighted to announce that Mediathek is now seeing a room full of students, teachers and enthusiasts discussing, reading and enjoying the plethora of books we offer.

Mediathek is located on the 4th floor of our main building. Students need to sign in at entry and are free to use the space. We have a wide range of German storybooks suited for every level (A1 - C2), Dictionaries, German Magazines and German Games.

We are excited to welcome you to our Institute and would be glad to assist you in selecting a book from our Mediathek. We also have a section called "BITTE, MIT NEHMEN" where students can take one magazine each to improve their German language skills. Stay updated on current events and trends in German by reading our popular German magazines that arrive every month at the Mediathek.

We also offer Membership for non-Goethe students.
Membership Fee - Rs.1500/- +GST per year.

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****Tip- Reading Magazines is a good way to improve your Wortschatz**

TIMINGS

MONDAY - FRIDAY

10:00 - 13:00

15:00 - 17:00



SATURDAY

10:00 - 13:00



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The Onleihe is our German language eLibrary. More than 35,000 digital media including German language books, audiobooks, movies, materials for German language learners, magazines and newspapers are available for you to download. The only requirement: permanent residence outside Germany.

Check out the new media available in our Online library collection, including the current works by Lorenz Maroldt, Frank Goosen, Franz Schuh, Alice Grünfelder, Sylvia Hahn and many [more...](#)

HOW DO I REGISTER?

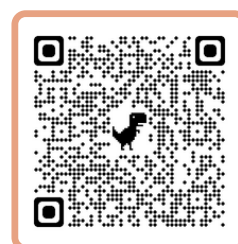
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Here's how to register:

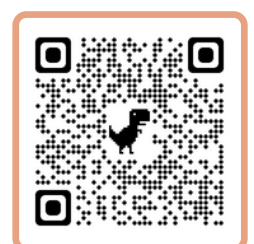
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HYDERABAD LITERARY FESTIVAL

JAN 26-28 | Sattva Knowledge City

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The new year brought one of the grandest festivals of the city - The Hyderabad Literary Festival 2024. This year at a brand new venue, the festival was a resounding success!

With over 70,000 visitors, the festival offered something for everyone. From panel discussions to book launches to cultural performances to art exhibitions and sessions for youngsters and children, the festival had it all! GZHyderabad curated the Stage Talks, Art Exhibitions and Cultural Performances for the festival.

Write to us at hello@hydlitfest.org to tell us about your experience at the fest!

YASCHA MOUNK @ HLF 2024

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JAN 27 | 16:00 Hrs | Sattva Knowledge City



Yascha Mounk, German-born political scientist and author was part of HLF 2024. He has written 5 books, and his latest *The Identity Trap - A Story of Ideas and Power in Our Time* was discussed at the festival. In this book, Mounk writes of how a new set of ideas about race, gender and sexual orientation came to be extremely influential in mainstream institutions, and why it would be a mistake to give up on a more universalist humanism.

Mounk was in conversation with Jaideep Unudurti, graphic novelist and journalist in a session titled *The Identity Trap: A Story of Ideas and Power in Our Time*. As a Jew born in Germany and now living in New York, Mounk spoke about the politics of identity, democracy, and freedom during his session at HLF 2024.

THE GERMAN INDIAN ROUND TABLE

JAN 10



GIRT Hyderabad hosted Dr. Johannes Weisser, Chairman-GIRT Frankfurt, and Ms. Michaela Kuchler, Consul General of Germany to Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Tamil Nadu and Puducherry.

The evening commenced with a warm welcome note by Mr. Srikanth Kethu, General Manager, ZF Tech Center India. CG Kuchler also shared details on the upcoming availability of slots for German Visa processing durations with the process going digital in 2025 and Lufthansa's direct flights between Hyderabad & Germany.

Roedl & Partners' introduction & their insights in their business areas added depth to the discussions and helped add context to the existing landscape.

The event hosted by ZF Group and Roedl & Partners was extremely informative.

LUFTHANSA'S DIRECT FLIGHT TO HYDERABAD

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Lufthansa launches direct flights from Hyderabad to Frankfurt from 17.1.2024

As the leading European carrier in India, Lufthansa now operates direct connections from Germany to five destinations in India with Hyderabad-Frankfurt being the latest addition. As they launch in Hyderabad, their capacity to India has increased by 14%, making it the fastest growing major market for Lufthansa. After the Hyderabad launch, Indian passengers have 64 weekly flights to Europe and onward connections.

LANDSCAPE IN COTTON

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FEB 22 | 18:30 Hrs | GZH



Artist Kanika Mukerjee repurposes discarded scraps of clothing in images resonant of beauty and wonder. Her landscapes move in cyclical time: daylight descending into resplendent hues of fall or the darkness of a lonely night. From hand woven, khadi, to different textures and colours, the cloth in her collages stand out as a reminder of what nature holds within itself and how it promises the infinite.

Kanika Mukerjee has been working with fabrics and varied mediums such as charcoal, dry pastels and oil for over three decades. Kanika's solo exhibitions include ICCR, New Delhi; India Habitat Centre, 2018 and Nehru Centre amongst others. She has also participated in multiple group shows.

THE REAL GAME OF THRONES? WHEN FANTASY GOES MEDIEVAL

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FEB 27 | 18:30 Hrs | GZH

**The Real Game of Thrones?
When Fantasy goes Medieval**

By Prof. Dr. Racha Kirakosian

Tuesday
27 FEB

Hamburg Hall,
GZH

6:30 PM

Tea will be served from 6 pm

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Prof Dr Racha Kirakosian is affiliated with the Dept of Medieval Studies, Albert Ludwig University of Freiburg & the Committee on the Study of Religion, Harvard University. Her talk at GZH - in light of politicised forms of the preoccupation with the medieval past - calls for critical medievalism. For instance, the popular TV series Game of Thrones operates on medievalist fantasy elements, which are grafted onto a long tradition of appropriating the past, and using it as an imaginary canvas. Investigation into aspects of femininity in conjunction with bestiality, on the one hand, and orientalism, on the other hand, elucidates the ways in which cultural and historical appropriation work. And because medievalist fantasy is not a purely creative preoccupation with the past, it needs our critical attention.

MOVIE SCREENING

CLEO

A film by Erik Schmitt

2019 | 101 Mins | German with English subtitles

FEB 29 | 19:00 hrs | Lamakaan

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Actors- Marleen Lohse and Jeremy Mockridge

Join Cleo, portrayed by Marleen Lohse, on an enchanting journey through Berlin's vibrant streets where every stone holds a hidden treasure. Following the loss of her father, Cleo relinquished her childhood dreams of treasure hunting until the arrival of Paul, played by Jeremy Mockridge, a bigger dreamer with a treasure map rumoured to unlock the secrets of the Sass brothers - iconic Berlin safe-crackers from the Weimar Republic era, said to have stolen a mystical clock capable of reversing time itself. Embark on a whimsical treasure hunt through Berlin as Cleo encounters iconic personalities from the past, offering sage advice amidst the city's bustling streets.

YESTERDAY-TODAY-TOMORROW

Goethe on Demand

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Films play a prominent role in the cultural programmes of the Goethe-Instituts around the world. Goethe-on-Demand, the streaming platform of the Goethe-Institut, is where we present film programmes for our audience. The spectrum encompasses various forms of film screenings, from classics to the latest German arthouse films.

Over the next few months, Goethe on Demand will be offering nine films about Germany's past, present and future. From villagers caught up in the events of the Second World War and missing girls in the East German provinces to anti-Semitism, real estate speculation, belonging and environmental disasters – the films show a broad spectrum of topics that concern German society yesterday, today and tomorrow.

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THE MORAL CONTAGION

MAR 07 | 18:30 Hrs | GZH

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THE MORAL CONTAGION

BOOK READING WITH AUTHORS JULIA HAUSER AND SARNATH BANERJEE

SAVE THE DATE



JULIA HAUSER
Author and Senior
Lecturer in Modern
History at the University
of Kassel, Germany
AND
SARNATH BANERJEE
Indian Graphic Novelist



**07.03.
2024,
Thursday**

6:30PM

**Hamburg
Hall,
GZH**

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A book reading and conversation with the authors of *The Moral Contagion*, Julia Hauser and Sarnath Banerjee, will be held at GZH.

Based on Julia Hauser's rigorous scholarship and enhanced by Sarnath Banerjee's wry illustrations, *The Moral Contagion* is an utterly gripping book which playfully melds meticulous research with imaginative storytelling to create a graphic narrative about pandemics from sixth-century Constantinople to late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries and how it affected human relationships, systems of belief, knowledge and political power.

Free and open to all



Germany wants to become pioneer of circular economy | Deutschland

German Chancellor Olaf Scholz wants Germany to play a leading role in creating a circular economy with extensive reuse of resources and raw materials.

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Naturalisation to be accelerated in Germany | Deutschland

Naturalisation will be possible after five years of residence in Germany rather than eight, and after three years if the individual has shown outstanding achievements that reflect a high level of integration to German democratic principles.

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Germany's Steinmeier seeks deal with mineral-rich Mongolia | DW

German President Frank-Walter Steinmeier arrived in the Mongolian capital, Ulaanbaatar, for talks in the resource-rich country, as Germany seeks to reduce its reliance on Russia.

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Germany sees unexpected leap in factory orders | DW

German manufacturers have reported a healthy surge in factory orders. The data is welcome news after a slowdown in manufacturing for Europe's largest economy.

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Dampfnudeln are German steamed yeast dumplings. They are available in the Christmas markets of Germany but are quite delicious to make and enjoy through the year!

INGREDIENTS:

Dough

- 250 grams all-purpose flour
- 3 ½ grams active-dry yeast
- 25 grams sugar
- 125 milliliters luke warm milk
- 1 ½ grams salt
- 40 grams butter melted
- 1 egg large

Steaming Liquid

- 125 milliliters milk
- 100 grams sugar
- 100 grams butter

Vanilla Sauce

- 450 milliliters milk
- ½ vanilla bean Scraped out, use seeds only.
- 15 grams cornstarch
- 25 grams sugar
- 1 egg yolk large

Topping

- 2 Tablespoons poppy seeds
- 1 Tablespoon powdered sugar

INSTRUCTIONS:

- Mix yeast with sugar and lukewarm milk, let stand for 5 to 10 minutes or until bubbles have started to develop.
- Knead together all remaining ingredients for the dough, then cover and allow to rise for at least an hour in a warm spot.
- Separate dough into 4 pieces and shape into balls/dumplings.
- In a high-rimmed skillet with a lid, mix together the steaming liquid ingredients, bring to a boil, then reduce to just below medium heat and place the dumplings in it, leaving plenty of room between the dumplings to expand (they will double in size!). Top with a lid and do not lift the lid during the next 30 minutes, or else the dumplings will deflate!

Warm Vanilla Sauce:

- Bring the milk, sugar and vanilla bean to a boil.
- Add the cornstarch mixture and bring to a boil again.
- Turn off the heat, whisk in the yolk and pour over the steamed dumplings when ready to serve.
- Combine poppy seeds and powdered sugar for the topping and sprinkle the mixture if desired.

Recipe Credits: <https://dirndlkitchen.com/christmas-market-dampfnudeln-recipe/>

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