

# Chemnitz



Hi! It's great you've landed here and discovered us! Welcome to a completely new perspective on Chemnitz – are you curious?

## ChemNetz - An Alternative Invitation to Discover Our City!

When visiting a new city, do you ever wonder where the alternative cultural scene is? Then this map is for you. For us, one of the city's greatest attractions is its (sub)cultural life. We want to highlight the diverse places and people that shape culture in Chemnitz, some of which are a little hidden in the 39 districts. This map presents, among so much more, places of culture and participation, community gardens, as well as spaces to give and to take.

With this map, you can experience the city outside of its well-known attractions!

Find out how you can immerse yourself in Chemnitz's culture – whether it's in an urban gardening project, a self-help workshop, a political group, or a community center.

#### Accessibility

All locations on our map are marked according to their structural accessibility. We also recommend the website wheelmap.org. There you will find an overview and ratings of wheelchair accessible places. You can also leave your personal rating here.

#### Theatre in the Woods

Theatre performances, concerts, cabaret, and large open-air festivals take place at the KÜCHWALDBÜHNE, which is run by volunteers. The forest ambience and the 1950s architectural style create a special atmosphere. The stage is surrounded by trees – a highlight for everyone!

Küchwaldring 34 | variable

## Sk8

When it's cold or wet outside, this place becomes particularly popular. The indoor skate park offers a wide variety of ramps and features for skateboarding, roller blading, BMX, and more. In addition to courses and events, DRUCKBUDE also offers a weekly space for women and girls at the Girls Jam.

Schönherrstr. 8 | variable

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## Wanna Know How Gisela Tastes?

From fancy sodas to the legendary schnapps chess, you won't miss a thing here. BALBOA is very popular in the cultural scene and you will find creative people from all disciplines engrossed in conversation or enjoying a round of Gisela (regional shot). Relaxed DJ sets are offered on special occasions.

Zöllnerstr. 33 | Wed - Sat: 6 pm



## Culture Made in the Neighbourhood

A cultural venue with social aspirations. The association creates its own formats in the field of art and culture and explicitly invites everyone who's interested to join in. The result is a place for encounters, music and workshops. Everything is possible at HOT SUPER, from exhibitions to concerts!

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## Time to Make Some Noise

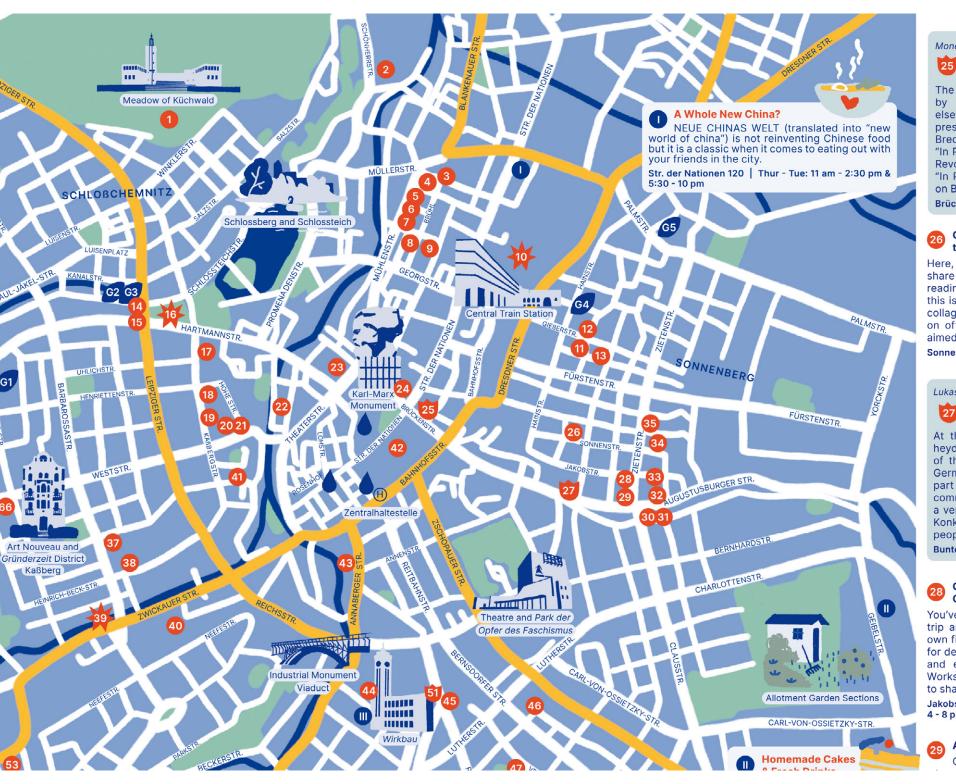
MUSICX – KINDER- UND JUGENDPROBE-RAUM offers young people access to musical instruments and supports them in realising their potential. Starting at a young age, you can try new things and discover your strengths and interests. The rehearsal room connects young folks from different backgrounds through creativity.

Mühlenstr. 94 | Mon: 3 - 4 pm (with registration) uk

Meeting the Rock Stars of Today & Tomorrow







Mone 31. Cultural Activist



#### Lobgedichte - Art in **Public Space**

The former Karl-Marx-Stadt is by socialist art like alm else. In the city center, th preserved works celebra Brecht's poems: "In Praise "In Praise of Communism", "I Revolutionary", "In Praise of I "In Praise of Learning". They on Brückenstraße.

Brückenstr. 6

### **Contemporary Art** that Inspires

Here, national artists exhibit t share their working processe readings. If you want to get cr this is the place for you: etchir collage printing are just some on offer at DENKART. Many aimed at children.

Sonnenstr. 39 | Wed & Sat: 3 - 6 p

Lukas 22. Carpenter



#### **Graffiti & Street Art in Chemnitz**

At the same time as Chem heyday around 1990, Chem of the most active graffiti s Germany. Street art has beco part of the cityscape. Ever community has shrunk sinc a very friendly scene still me Konkordiapark 16 or Subbot people can paint legally.

Bunte Gärten, Martinstr. 18

### **Capturing Moments & Creating Art**

You've brought your analog c trip and want to learn how to own film? There is a fully equip for developing and printing in k and even a photo studio at Workshops are held here at re to share knowledge and pass o Jakobstr. 42 | Open Photo Lab: 8 4 - 8 pm

### A Window into Art

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and a project space

## Performing Arts Off-Stage SEP



International theatre, dance, puppet theatre, and performance are at home here. Artists and undiscovered talents from all over the world perform in plays that target social impact. In inclusive workshops, KOMPLEX shares knowledge and skills for professionals and interested amateurs alike.

Zietenstr. 32 | variable



#### Get Cozy at the **Cultural Bar**



The number one spot for pen & paper, literature evenings, and debates. KAFFEESATZ has established itself in an original way as a space for various hobbies. People play games together, exchange ideas and learn new things. In addition to the warm atmosphere, hot and cold drinks are served.

Zietenstr. 40 | variable



## **Wooden Paradise**



Would you like to work with wood, but lack the materials, tools, or know-how? In their fully equipped workshop on Kaßberg, HOLZKOMBINAT will support you with your project. In addition to supervising your projects, there are also coaching sessions and team events on the subject of wood. The prices are very affordable and support a great cause!

Schiersandstr. 21 | variable & Thur: 3 - 7 pm ~~





## Art Made in Chemnitz SE



The artist Michael Morgner from Einsiedel has traveled the world, won international prizes and participated in many exhibitions. The MORGNER ARCHIV presents the work of artists. colleagues and friends of Michael Morgner in several exhibitions throughout the year.

Agricolastr. 25 | variable and Sat: 2 - 6 pm 🗥



## **Exploring Bauhaus Design & Legacy**



The life and work of the Chemnitz-born Bauhaus artist Marianne Brandt and her historical environment are presented in the

## Good to Know



#### 1. Bus, Train, Bike, Walk

Many roads lead to Rome, but every line stops at Zentralhaltestelle. Apart from the 82, every streetcar and every bus in Chemnitz stops at "Zenti" at some point. In the evenings, all lines wait for each other and you can change between lines. also known as a "rendezvous". The C lines take you to the Chemnitz cultural region, which is always worth a day trip. Going on foot is often a good option too - the city is very walkable. Especially in the evening and at night it's also great to have a bike so you don't have to rely on the night bus.

#### 2. Chemnitz at Night

You often hear that the curbs are raised in the evening. Unfortunately, it is true that many stores are not open until late and finding a midnight snack is borderline impossible. Snacks and drinks for emergencies are therefore key.

#### 3. Toilets

Many public toilets are listed on our digital map. You can use the "Nette Toilette" app to find restaurants that make their toilets available.

#### 4. Water

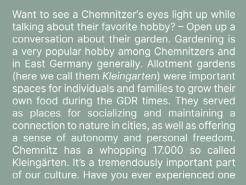
Of course the tap water in Chemnitz is drinkable! There are three drinking water fountains in the city, which we have marked on the map. To cool off in the summer, there are lakes just outside the city and in the Ore Mountains.

#### 5. Cash

An essential companion in everyday life in Chemnitz - card payment is not yet available in many places.



## Community Gardens



of those spaces? Usually it's allowed to walk You will be welcomed by odd garden gnomes, gorgeous flowers and much more! Just abide by these two rules: 1. you must greet everyone you see; 2. don't leave the paths! A simple "Hallo" or "Guten Tag" is enough, but keep in mind you're crossing through people's hideaways. numerous urban gardening projects. These often old wastelands, backyards, or unused meadows promote biodiversity and ecology. interested in ecology and climate justice.

## **Intercultural Garden Bunte Erde**

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participation, creating ecological and social value in Sonnenberg.

as well as spaces to give and to take.

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Why ChemNetz? We call our map ChemNetz since it's a "Netz" (German for "Net or Grid") connecting cool spots in Chemnitz with each other and with people from everywhere.

#### Where Are We?

With around 250,000 inhabitants. Chemnitz is the third-largest city in Saxony and one of the cities with the oldest population in Europe. During the GDR era (German Democratic Republic)\*, Chemnitz was called "Karl-Marx-Stadt", and you can still find the secondlargest bronze bust in the world - the head of Karl Marx - in the city centre. Always worth a photo! Alongside the socialist traces, you'll also find many lost places in Chemnitz – old factory sites, now half overgrown, that only hint with a bit of imagination at what they once were. Find more information on this under "Five Minutes of History".

#### What Is Going On?

Chemnitz has often been overshadowed by Leipzig and Dresden. The phrase ,Nothing's going on in Chemnitz?' is heard quite often. We say: That's a prejudice and this map proves it! For us, what sets the city apart today is its (sub) culture. Throughout the city you'll find a network of small, large, professional, and self-organized places. Here, people work together to create a vibrant city. Getting creative, starting projects together, helping other groups out - that's the Chemnitz spirit.

#### What Awaits You on the Map?

We invite you to get to know Chemnitz and its alleys. On our map, we show you wasteland sites that have become community gardens, cultural centers, factory areas and backyards.

accessible places. You can also leave your personal rating here.



#### **The Digital Map**

In addition to the printed map, we offer a digital map (stadtkarte-chemnetz.de). Here you can find more information that didn't make it onto paper, such as contacts for the locations or information about public toilets.

#### What Else?

2025 is a big year for Chemnitz. The cultural venues, the city, and its residents have been preparing for the year as European Capital of Culture for a long time. Now the time has finally come, and there is plenty to discover.

You can find out how best to get around Chemnitz by bus and train, where to find the latest information on events and gossip. or what the "Nischl" is all about in our info boxes. They will prepare you to walk through our city like a local. Have fun discovering!

Stay up-to-date and follow us on Instagram, TikTok. Facebook or visit our website.

\*Everyone talks about East and West Germany, they were separated until 1990. GDR was the East German political area.

### Meeting the Rock Stars of Today & Tomorrow

Walking along Mühlenstraße past BANDBÜRO, the sound of guitars is guite common. Keep your ears open! The city's established bands rehearse here, as do the stars of tomorrow. At showcase events, Bandbüro shows what it's made of, or rather, who rehearses here. Latest news to be found on their website!

Mühlenstr. 94 | Mon - Fri: 10 am - 6 pm



Radio T

The independent FM and DAB radio station offers the latest local news, cultural tips and exciting reports. Here you can find out the latest developments in city politics or discover new bands. The best thing about Radio T: you can also take part! The radio offers regular introductory workshops. So, grab the mic and go on air!

VHF 102.70 MHz

Lisa 30, Student

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## **Get Inspired**

INSPIRE is an anchor of the Brühl district since 2014! Under the motto "Touch hearts, move people, brighten up Brühl", the team is committed to providing a wide range of cultural activities in the district. They organize concert evenings, improv comedy, and intercultural events, such as the language café.

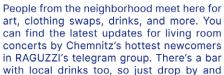
Brühl 49 | variable

## **Czech Craft Beer Bar & Creative Space**

Only 50 km lie between Chemnitz and the Czech border. No surprise that the diverse beer culture and cuisine of the neighboring country is present in U BRAMBORY. This very modern concept combines Czech craft beer and food with cultural events and a space to work in a colorful and modern ambiance.

Karl-Liebknecht-Str. 37 | Mon - Sun: 11 am - 10 pm cs,uk,es,ru





Uhlandstr. 23 | Fri: 6 - 10 pm, Sun: 4 - 10 pm, variable

spend a relaxed day in Sonnenberg.



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startups, the theatre

Wirkbau area. If you

yet affordable breakfa

Lothringer Str. 11 | Mon

#### Old Knitting I **New Yarn**

With an eye towar varn is created fro In their textile wo how it works, prov textile chain and clothing sustainab buy your yarn!

Markusstr. 21 | varia

### Mingle with Different Cultures

IZDA is a social and political center for refugees, migrants and allies. The international center aids with connecting and networking, as well as organizing cultural events. Check out their Instagram channel; they host open kitchens, concerts, readings, and other events you can attend.

Gießerstr. 26 | variable | ar,fa,it,zh and many more



Whether crust pun is welcome here! T scene has a requ dub, techno and s either. On Thursda solidarity kitchen and political event

Leipziger Str. 5 | var

### UnvermittelBar Collective 18-35, Skaters



from a distance. No, they're not strange seats, but skating features. Protected from weather and officially permitted, you can skate gaps, curbs and manny pads here. The spot is also centrally located and perfectly connected to public transport. Find more spots

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## Chuq Some V The ceiling,

book covers, leav upon crossing th Once you've take and cheap drinks intimate living ro happy to explain w Just ask!

Leipziger Str. 3 | var



You will recognize the green and blue blocks directly on the main station grounds here: spotschemnitz.shinyapps.io/Spotmap/

Central Train Station





Glück auf! = Greeting (mining tradition)



## Yarn

ye towards unused resources, new eated from discarded knitted items. extile workshop, UNDOYARN shows irks, provides information about the ain and encourages visitors to use

ustainably. It's also the best place to /arn!

21 | variable

#### re Music Meets ement: Beats, munity & Solidarity



crust punk or techno head, everyone e here! The local punk and hardcore s a regular place at ZUKUNFT, but no and ska music are not neglected 1 Thursdays from 8 p.m. there is a kitchen with affordable vegan food cal events.

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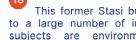
living room. Literature nerds are explain where the name comes from.

## **Green Activities**

on the city.

Konkordiastr. 5

**Potential** 



Konkordiapark

A House Full of Creative

Whether graffiti, skateboarding,

BMX or scooters - Konkordiapark is where

vouth and subculture meet. This meeting

spot for young people has a special impact

KRAFTWERK, the largest centre for culture

and society in Chemnitz, is decades old and

thus connects different age groups. There

is a music café for senior citizens, cosplay

and anime conventions, film screenings, and

concerts of different genres (Jazz, Rock,

Classic) too. Take a look at their website!

Kaßbergstr. 36 | Tue - Fri: 10 am - 5 pm

This former Stasi building is now home to a large number of initiatives. The main subjects are environment, sustainability, human rights, climate change, and mobility. It's also the home of the environmental library. UMWELTZENTRUM hosts a variety of activities, such as educational events and more. Find them on their website.

Henriettenstr. 5 | variable

A space for people of all genders, to shape culture and society together. With a feminist background, LILA VILLA offers an exchange between professional artists and amateurs. In this way, Chemnitz's urban society finds space for its events here. Find their programme as a pdf on their website - old school!

Kaßbergstr. 22 | Mon - Wed: 2 - 7 pm. Thur: 10 - 12 am

#### Create, Try, Participate and Enjoy



culture, educational work and extracurricular activities come together in ARTHUR to promote democracy. The project is a place for concerts, encounters, and much more. As an explicitly cosmopolitan and European project, it is well connected and invites local and international creatives alike.

Hohe Str. 33 | variabel

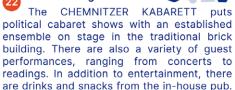
### For Bar Evenings with Games, Shows & **Good Sounds**



The lavishly decorated music bar hosts concerts, pub guizzes and poetry slams. While you sit chatting at the bar, warm vinyl sounds crackle through the room of AALTRA. If it's too hot for indoors, there is a bar outside in the garden as well as open air concerts.

Hohe Str. 33 | Tue - Thur: 6 pm,Fri & Sat: mq8

## Time to Laugh



Find the latest programme on their website. An der Markthalle 1-3 | Tue - Fri: 11 am - 6 pm

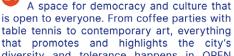
## A Cube Full of Surprises SEP



Referencing East Germany's "Kombinate" (socialist production associations) BAR:KOMBINAT brings back a touch of collectivism. In addition to the bar, this place offers space for art, concerts, and more. The space's programme is very diverse and always good for a surprise, since it's open to suggestions from guests.

Theaterstr. 26 | Tue - Thur: 7 pm - 1 am, Fri & Sat: 7 pm - 3 am

## Anything Can Happen Here SEP



diversity and tolerance happens in OPEN SPACE. Local groups also find a place here for meetings, exhibitions and much more.

Brückenstr. 10 | Wed - Sun: 2 - 8 pm



## **Bar and Cultural Space**

A Window into Art

where you can get creative you here. Works by regional and nat

shown in eight solo and group

year. GLASKASTEN focuses on

Jakobstr. 42 | Thur - Sat: 4 - 10 a

artistic formats and forms.

Contemporary art and a

Bar and cultural space Sonnenberg. For over ten years Chemnitz's art scene here at r such as Kuchenplatte (cake + v concerts and karaoke. Jam ses decks also invite you to join in a each other at LOKOMOV.

Augustusburger Str. 102 | Fri & Sa 3 - 7 pm

#### Showcasing the Pulse of **Contemporary Art**

Are you interested in contemp GALERIE HINTEN shows around group exhibitions a year. Pail photography, installation, sculi art - everything that is cur in Chemnitz, the surroundi internationally is represented h Augustusburger Str. 102 | Fri & Sa 3 - 7 pm

## SHOP YOUR SOU

## A Place to Get Crafty

Try out everything from printing! Here, everyone has technology and community. Th motto "Karl-Mach-Stadt" is former city name Karl-Marx-Sta to learn something, FABLAB is Find the latest programme on t Schüffnerstr. 1 | Wed: 4 - 8 pm

## **Print Your Imaginations**

Text and language - and with it: At DRUCKSTUBE DES EI people find a space to try their techniques and writing. From age, children can discover their and produce their first works in environment.

Jakobstr. 46 | Wed: 3:30 - 5 p month: 11:30 - 12:30 am





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The life and work of the Chemnitz-born Bauhaus artist Marianne Brandt and her historical environment are presented in the society's study rooms. The collection is showcasing her design classics as well as her lesser known works too. Find out about her iconic metal lamps and tea sets which are still being produced today at MARIANNE BRANDT GESELLSCHAFT.

Heinrich-Beck-Str. 22 | Tue & Thur: 3 - 6 pm, 1st Sat of the month: 10 am - 1 pm

#### Calisthenics Park at Holzkirche

Body weight fitness exercises are possible here. In the future, group training sessions and equipment rental options will also be offered.

Ahornstr. 47

## **History on Wheels**



Around 1900, Chemnitz was mostly known for its industry. Vehicle construction is still a part of this heritage. The over 100 year old history of Saxon bicycle, car, and motorcycle brands comes to life in the MUSEUM FÜRSÄCHSISCHE FAHRZEUGE. So put the pedal to the metal and check out some vehicles!

Zwickauer Str. 77 Tue - Sun: 10 am - 5 pm fr. Audioquide, barrier-free tours

## Learning & Commemorating



You will find a permanent exhibition on unlawfully imprisoned people of the Nazi and GDR regimes at KABBERG-GEFÄNGNIS. The former prison building commemorates these arbitrary and political prisoners and thus provides important educational work. A very important place to understand the history of the city.

Kaßbergstr. 16c | Wed - Sun: 10 am - 5 pm



## Facing the Past

The first DOKUMENTATIONSZENTRUM ZUM NSU COMPLEX is a place of remembrance and education. It shows a permanent exhibition. The "National Socialist Underground" (NSU) murdered ten people. The background, as well as state, media and social failures are critically examined here.

Johannisplatz 8 Opening May 25th, 2025 tr

In courses for children and adults, they show how to create healthy self-sufficiency while conserving

Franz-Mehring-Str. 39 | info@bunteerde.de

## **Community Garden at the Pleißenbach**

Grow vegetables, sow a meadow full of flowers, construction and is to be transformed into a recreational and educational space by and for the neighborhood.

Corner of Matthesstr. and Leipziger Str. grundstueck2@urbanepolemik.de

participation, creating ecological and social value in Sonnenberg.

Peterstr. 33 | info@gartenutopie.de

## Ideengarten 72

G5 The spacious community garden in Sonnenberg offers regular activities for children that promote environmental education. It is an open space for the neighborhood.

Reinhardtstr. 24 | 2<sup>nd</sup> Sat of the month: 2 - 6 pm | maren.troschke@gmx.de

## **District Garden Kompost**



Corner of Matthesstr. and Leipziger Str. | garten@urbanepolemik.de





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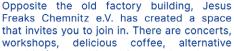




Fold this part over! The locations are narked on the other side of the map.







Worshipping the Beauty

that invites you to join in. There are concerts. workshops, delicious coffee, alternative worship formats, discussions, and much more at ALTE STRUMPFFORMEREI. The association attaches great importance to diversity and acceptance.

Kappelbachgasse 1 | variable

of Art & Culture



performance, dance, concerts and more, Check out their website for the latest info. Annaberger Str. 24 | Mon & Wed: 6 pm, Cinema: 7 pm, Gallery: Thur - Sat 5pm, Club: variable

This is where the local scene mingles with

established artists. Whether in the cinema.

gallery, club, or the Hollywood swing,

WELTECHO offers space for contemporary

art. This cultural oasis presents painting,

### **Your Guide into the** City's Nightlife



landscape too.

Neefestr. 99 | variable | Audiodescription and OV

With over 25 years of history, ATOMINO is the city's longest-running club. The constants: concerts, bingo, readings, parties and the legendary Mania, where local bands cover pop icons. There is also an open air concert series. a music label and an art product factory. Find the latest news on Instagram.

Annaberger Str. 73 | Wed - Sat (variable)



#### **Catching the Train** into Nightlife



TRANSIT is located in "Kulturbahnhof", the former train station of Chemnitz Südbahnhof, and is an ambitious venue for various musical styles. Techno, bass, hip hop, and house are constants, as are rock concerts and quiet sessions in the adjoining garden. The architecture creates a gloomy, yet inviting atmosphere.

Reichenhainer Str. 1 | variable



## Playground on Rößlerstraße

#### **Come Together &** Learn from the Locals



With more than 25 years of experience, QUER BEET is an important spot for encounters. leisure and education. Whether sports, language courses or cultural events, young people can contribute, develop and implement their own ideas with a qualified team.

Rosenplatz 4 | Citizens' meeting: Tue: 9 - 12 am, Wed: 2 - 5 pm, Thur: 1 - 4 pm; Children's & youth club: Tue: 2 - 7 pm, Fri: 1 - 7 pm

## Sub(b)cultural Hotspot SEP



The former school canteen SUBBOTNIK is nowadays a vibrant center for culture and

## **Little Cannes**



The KINDERFILMHAUS offers remarkable movies that captivate young audiences while offering enjoyment for all ages. This is where the youngest have their first contact with the cinema. The "Schlingel" international film festival for children and young audiences is an important institution in Chemnitz's cultural

### Stadtpark for Jogging, Cycling, Inline Skating, Skating

Chemnitz's largest park offers asphalt routes for inline skating, jogging, or cycling. The rose garden and large meadows invite you to relax.





A 300 square meter playground that allows children with and without disabilities to play together. There is a ground-level carousel, tactile elements, and much more.

Rößlerstr. 31

#### **Meeting People &** Reading Books



It began with a telephone booth full of books. but soon book swapping was no longer enough and RADAU e.V. was formed to shape the neighbourhood in a more social manner. There is now a neighbourhood meeting place that offers a variety of events and, above all, space to get to know each other.

Rößlerstr. 12 | variable



trade in Leipzig, and squander their money in Dresden", as the old saying goes. Chemnitz is very proud of its industrial heritage. Thanks to the bleaching privilege and its favorable location, the city quickly became a hotspot for the textile industry, as well as mechanical engineering. Between 1800 and 1883, the population increased almost tenfold to 103,000 inhabitants. Today. many former industrial buildings are cultural venues. For a short tour to experience the vibe of industrial architecture combined

with cultural events, you can visit Wirkbau, home to ATOMINO 44. With a coffee to go from Bohnenmeister, you can walk to Stadtpark 54 Along Altchemnitzer Straße, you'll come across numerous factories abandoned places, and cultural venues. From Stadtpark, take a moment admire the Viadukt, an old railway bridge. If you'd like to explore furth head to Schönherrfabrik, where you'll find DRUCKBUDE 2 a spot for skateboarding. There, you'll also find a bookcase and a café.



CHEMNITZER STR.

Places of Culture & Participation

Green Places

Swap & Share

See & Experience

**Participate** 

Food & Drink

Swap & Share

**Repair Locations** 

Get Active in the District



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## The Fritz Heckert Area -The City Within the City

Fifty years ago, this was the second-largest inner-city Plattenbaugebiet (prefabricated concrete slab tower block housing area) in the former GDR\*. Between 1970 and 1990, it was home to 38% of the children born in Chemnitz. Since reunification, the five districts (Kappel, Hutholz, Markersdorf, Morgenleite, Helbersdorf) have been characterized by renaturation and depopulation. The number of inhabitants plummeted from 92,000 to just 37,000. In addition to the socialist architecture and building art, there is now street art to be seen, such as the mural "In unserer Mitte" in memory of the victims of the NSU\* (located at Friedrich-Viertel-Str. 2).

Visit this area by taking tram no. 4 to the station "Hutholz." From here, you can take a walk to the mural "In unserer Mitte" (more information available under 5 Minutes of History). From there, it is a 25-minute walk to the MARKERSDORFER OASE 09, a park that exemplifies the transformation from a residential area to a recreational space. At this location, you can also find a café or grab something to eat. You can return to the city center by taking bus no. 52. \*GDR = East Germany



## :tive in the District

in Chemnitz is not concentrated in one spot, it takes place all over the only are there a wide range of events to discover, but also institutions rs of the city's DIY-culture. They provide information about current ice and support for projects. This is where locals go to connect with bu want to get to know the neighbourhood better, visit the community n get flyers, stickers, and all the information you'll need (also in English). d lesser known spots and events. The community centres give you a district's culture, beyond the classic tourist info.

#### entre (Bürgerzentrum) at Leipziger Straße

Tue & Thur: 8 am - 5 pm, Wed & Fri: 8 - 12 am info@buelei39.de

### entre (Bürgerzentrum) at Reitbahnviertel

Tue & Thur: 1 - 5 pm rtel.de stm-innenstadt@awo-chemnitz

#### entre (Bürgerzentrum) at Sonnenberg

Mo - Thur: 10 am - 4 pm, Fri: 1 - 6 pm -chemnitz.de info@sonnenberg-chemnitz.de





## Swap & Share

gs is one of many ways to live more sustainably. There are many places ou can swap unused books, records, or whatever else you have lying s are the place to hand in unused items and get new things for free. tive. Here you can hand in food or save it from the garbage can. Küfa nen for Everyone) is donation-based vegan dinner and a social event for ay at AJZ 14, Wednesday at Subbotnik 60, and Thursday at Zukunft 47.

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**Fairteiler at Community Centre Sonnenberg** 

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Bookbox at Radau e.V.

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**Bernsdorf Exchange Cabinet** Bernsdorfer Str. 43

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Fairteiler and Exchange Cabinet at AJZ Talschock

Fairteiler at the Knappteich

**Bookcase at Kinder- und Jugendhaus Compact** 

5 Minutes of History

## So, You Want to Learn More About Chemnitz's History?

Three Chemnitz legends, who each shaped this city in their own way, will tell you their part of the story: Minna Simon, the first strike leader of the workers' movement; Marianne Brandt, the famous Bauhaus designer; and Jutta Müller, the legendary figure skating coach. They take a walk through the city they know so well.



"Ah, Chemnitz," Minna begins with a proud smile, "this is where we went on strike in 1871 for better working conditions and fair wages. Factories as far as the eye got our way!" She grins proudly as she points to the old factory buildings. "Did you know that Chemnitz was called the ,Manchester of Saxony'? We drove

"Oh, I can well imagine," replies Marianne Brandt, with a passion for architecture. "Chemnitz was already a center for textiles and mechanical engineering in the 19th century. This combination of functionality and aesthetics would have inspired the Bauhaus! And me? Well, my work with clear lines and elegant design is also rooted here. This city has always focused on pragmatism and beauty." They stop by the Red Tower, which proudly watches over the city, undaunted by the centuries. "This tower has seen it all - from the early days of trade to the destruction of the Second World War and the reconstruction afterwards."

"Speaking of reconstruction," Jutta Müller interjects with a laugh. "Only one thing comes to mind: Karl-Marx-Stadt. Chemnitz was renamed in 1953 and I trained my athletes on the ice here. Hard work, discipline and a bit of glamour - that's what Chemnitz embodies for me. No matter how many times you fall, you get back up and keep going." She winks and points. "And who could miss the giant Karl Marx head, the ,Nischel'? It's been the city's landmark since 1971 and looks down on us critically - or is that more of an encouraging look?"

us to keep going," says Minna with a grin. "And now? Chemnitz is also the European Capital of Culture 2025. Who would "That's what makes have thought? From textile machines to art and Chemnitz special," agrees Marianne. "Even the thermos flask was developed here! Adolf Ferdinand Weinhold laid the foundation for the thermos flask with his

invention. And then there's Fit, the dishwashing liquid from the region - the curved bottle shape is iconic."



The three women walk on, along the streets of Chemnitz. The city is not just an industrial metropolis, but full of change, creative minds and perseverance - and this is reflected in every corner.

Besides industrialization, the history of Chemnitz is also one of unresolved conflicts and far-right continuity. Following a violent alliance between neo-Nazis, hooligans, and implicitly right-wing urban society, Chemnitz hit the global news in 2018. Caused by a deadly attack at the city festival, Chemnitz became the target of far-right mobilization. There is a long history of right-wing violence here, be it the so-called "baseball bat years" of the 90s, the NSU complex in the 2000s, or the continuity of right-wing mobilization to this day. Groups that

The former school canteen SUBBOTNIK is nowadays a vibrant center for culture and a variety of communities. The solidarity cuisine with affordable vegan food is a must every Wednesday from 8 pm. Fans of political theory look forward to the annual Kantine festival with lectures and concerts.

Vettersstr. 34a | Wed: 2 - 9 pm, Thur: 2 - 7 pm, Fri: 7 pm

100 Years of Mobility

How does it actually work to drive a streetcar? In the carriage hall from 1908, you can learn all about mobility over the course of time-from the horse-drawn streetcar to the present day. Exhibits from more than 100 years of streetcar history are on display at STRAßENBAHNMUSEUM. Climb aboard and get hands-on!

Zwickauer Str. 164 | Apr - Oct: Thur - Sat: 10 am - 4 pm | cs

**Model Railroad** 

The MODELLBAHNVEREIN CHEMNITZ plans, builds, and operates model railroad layouts on which members work together in terms of detailed design, technology, and operation. Exhibitions, the exchange of knowledge, and the preservation of railroad history are important purposes for association.

Neefestr. 82 | variable



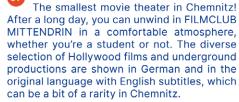
CHEMNITZER KUNSTFABRIK offers people aged 6 to 26 the opportunity to get creative in fully equipped workshop rooms. Whether painting, pottery, drawing, or printing, people with and without disabilities can express themselves and get creative together.

Neefestr. 82 | Mon, Tue, Thur, Fri: 2 - 8 pm Wed: 2 - 10 pm (registration requested)

Rößlerstr. 12 | variable



space to get to know each other.



Reichenhainer Str. 35/37 | Tue & Thur: 8:30 pm films in OV

#### **Basketball Court at the TU Chemnitz**

With its successful team "Niners", Chemnitz is already a hotspot for basketball. At the TU Campus, you can try your hand at shooting hoops and get to know lots of students.



There are a large number of Ping Pong tables spread across the city. Students and residents play together at the university canteen. It is easy to reach by public transport.

Reichenhainer Str. 90

#### SHOP YOUR SOUVENIRS HERE

Cabinet for Beauty & **Everyday Culture** 

You love beautiful material and traditional craft techniques? HAAMIT does that too. It's not just an average stationery store. Here you find handpicked products made of paper, fabric, cardboard, wood, ceramics, and many more.

Ulmenstraße 61 | Tue - Sat: 2 pm - 7 pm



Vanessa 28. Student and Member of Atomino e.V.

## **Chemnitz Club Scene**

The scene is diverse and mutually supportive. Chemnitz was a pioneer of hip hop in the 90s and is still an important place for music today. My favorite places to party are Transit 45, Atomino 44 or Weltecho 43 - there's everything from techno to pop. And if something doesn't exist yet, Chemnitz is the perfect place to start something yourself.

Südbahnhof (A good starting point for exploring the nightlife.)

LOCAL TIP

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\*NSU = National Socialist Underground, a racist terror group



## Alternative Youth Center SE P S FD

A vibrant place that you have to check out! Equipped with skate ramps, graffiti walls, concert halls, a youth center, and support points for social work, society mixes in AJZ in a unique way. A must: Super affordable vegan food for everyone, Tuesday from 6 pm.

Chemnitztalstr. 54 | Youthclub: Mon - Thur: 1 - 7 pm & Fri: 12 am - 6 pm, Events: variable

### **Relaxation Oasis**

With its experiential education programs, vacation camps and events, WALDEN E.V. creates a family-friendly afternoon program with a wide range of activities such as DJing, skateboarding, climbing and more.

Eubaer Str. 233 | Tue: 3 - 7 pm (except on school vacations)

Green

## Tradition Meets Creativity SEP

Whether carving, lace-making, woodturning, or painting, FOLKLOREHOF GRÜNA provides encounters through creative activities. Traditional techniques are preserved and passed on to the younger generation. The library, events, and sports activities complete what this place has to offer.

Pleißaer Str. 18 | Office: Mon, Tue & Thur: 3 - 6 pm, Library: Tue: 2 - 5 pm

#### **Timeless Movies in Old Fashioned Frames**

Nostalgic furniture and contemporary cinema characterise this hidden gem. Here, the magic of film is palpable - whether arthouse or blockbuster. It may make you long for the old days a little bit, but the CLUBKINO SIEGMAR is constantly evolving.

Zwickauer Str. 425 | Mon - Sun: 4 - 12 pm



#### Theatre with a & Fun for Ever

In this former cinem and comedies mix v concepts, and play: The repertoire is particularly apprec relaxed atmosphere sharing a drink at FI Kirchhoffstr. 34-36

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## The Citv's Cre **Melting Pot**

Creative minds of ( roof in KARLS KUNS studios of various a are a wide range of workshops and co upcycling, paperma leisure activities. Th and workshops requ

Zwickauerstr. 408 am - 2 pm



## **Rabenstein Forest**

trails offer an ideal place for nature lovers and those seeking peace and quiet. There are numerous paths to discover through the

## **Crimmitschau Forest**

forest's spring is very powerful. Whether you the forest is definitely not bad for your health.

#### Küchwald

and relaxation. Drop by and enjoy the theater, railroad, or the beautiful botanical gardens.

## Nordpark

A place to relax ric

## **Fuchsberg**

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## tre with a Big Heart for Everyone



ner cinema-turned-theater, dramas lies mix with thrillers, experimental and plays aimed at young people. rtoire is wide-ranging. Guests / appreciate the informal and mosphere, from buying tickets to Irink at FRITZ THEATER's bar.

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### SHOP YOUR SOUVENIRS HERE

#### City's Creative ng Pot



papermaking, as well as creative ivities. The gallery is free, artwork hops require a fee.

tr. 408 | Wed - Fri: 2 - 6 pm, Sat: 10



at SUBBOTNIK 47 or LOKOMOV 30.

ature - in parks, on the banks of nd you the most beautiful green nd relax. Come outside and touch

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ach feeling with a pavilion by the ers and large stones to recline on. relax right by the water!

#### chsberg in Zeisigwald

his hill now overlooks Zeisigwald.

#### wish Cementery on Harthweg

Chemnitz. To this day, the site is d by anti-Semitic attacks.

## Kappelbach Cycle Path

A wonderfully developed path along a bike or inline skates, or just walk-there are many

## **Municipal Central Cemetery**

The municipal cemeteries of Chemnitz are primarily places of mourning and reflection, always holds surprises, and sometimes idyllic gems reveal themselves.

#### Markersdorfer Oase

There used to be space for 85 residential units in these eleven story buildings. Today, "the Oasis" offers space for events and relaxation. Remaining parts of the old buildings remind us of the past.

#### Pfarrhübel 010

gates - it's always worth the short hike here to see the glowing chimney "Esse" in the evening.

## Repair Locations

What is broken does not have to be immediately disposed of. Find support, know-how, and tools to repair broken things in these places. There are quite a number of places in the city that help you to live a more sustainable and resource-saving life. Whether you have a flat tire on your bike, a cracked smartphone display, or your computer won't boot up - you will find support here.

## ADFC (Bicycle Self-Service Station)

You too can repair your bike yourself! The ADFC shows you how. A simple flat is easy, of course, and if you want to repair something more unusual, you can bring your own spare parts. The association is happy to receive donations for tools and materials.

Henriettenstr. 5 | variable and Wed: even weeks 6 - 8:30 pm, odd weeks 5 - 8 pm www.chemnitz.adfc-sachsen.de/selbsthilfewerkstatt | gs@adfc-chemnitz.de

### Repair Café

Giving broken things a second life is the motto here. At the repair café, teams can work together to repair pretty much anything, from bicycles to computers. The café also collects solutions to common problems and by that contributes to the sustainable exchange of knowledge.

Paul-Arnold-Str. 5 | Thur: 3 - 6 pm

www.stadthalten-chemnitz.de/reparatur-cafe | reparaturcafe@stadthalten-chemnitz.de

## Computertruhe

Here, decommissioned technology is made usable again, free of charge, for those in need. The donated computers are stripped of all personal data and then distributed fairly. The association makes digital services accessible and sustainably utilizes existing hardware.

Paul-Arnold-Str. 5 | Thur: 3 - 6 pm www.computertruhe.de / karola.koepferl@computertruhe.de

## Dr. Radinger (Bicycle Self-Service Station)

Bike trouble? Here you find space, tools and instructions for self-help. The self-help workshop offers you the opportunity to repair your bike on your own. The team is happy to receive donations of materials and support from bike enthusiasts.

Bernsdorfer Str. 41 | Tue: 4 - 7 pm

www.stura.tu-chemnitz.de/referat/fshw | Facebook: FahrradselbsthilfewerkstattRadinger



#### **Bicycle Service Station**

Konkordiastr. 3



## **Bicycle Service Station**

Brühl 65



## **Bicycle Service Station**

Carl-von-Ossietzky-Str. 170



## **Bicycle Service Station**

Thüringer Weg 3



## **Bicycle Service Station**

Wilhelm-Firl-Str. 11



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#### **Events:**

Here you will find all events in and (even) local magazine art

Neighbourhood Magazines (a

The Best Chemnitz Satire rabble-rousing, and poetry

## **Eat Like**

Weekly Market in the City

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nnels keep you up to date tz: Cultural events, music, pics, gossip and more!

www.371stadtmagazin.de) vents in a practical planner zine articles.

**zines (also online):** KaSch, ick, ReitbahnBote, BISS

Satire & Truths: Party, poetry (www.remarx.eu).

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The Frequencies that Must Flow through Your Radio:

- Radio T: the non-commercial local radio station for Chemnitz and the surrounding area www.radiot-chemnitz.de
- Radio UniCC: the campus radio station at Chemnitz University of Technology! www.radio-unicc.de

Instagram Channels that Give You a Good Insight:

@hand.in.hand.ev, @chemnitz\_nazifrei, @agr.chemnitz (Aufstehen gegen Rassismus), @stadtchemnitz, @rabbaz, @tasteofchemnitz, and of course the profiles of the respective locations. the city festival, Chemnitz became the target of far-right mobilization. There is a long history of right-wing violence here, be it the so-called "baseball bat years" of the 90s, the NSU complex in the 2000s, or the continuity of right-wing mobilization to this day. Groups that stand up for a cosmopolitan city for everybody and a network of solidarity are countering this. Chemnitz has many places and activists who are taking a stand against the right. They can use all the help they can get.

The NSU (National Socialist Underground) was a far-right terrorist network in Germany responsible for a series of racially motivated murders. The group, whose so called "core trio" originated from Thuringia, also carried out numerous robberies in eastern and western Germany as well as bomb attacks, causing significant injuries and damage. Chemnitz was the residence of the so called "trio" from 2000 to 2001, and one of their places of operation. To this day, the crimes have not been fully investigated or resolved. More information can be found in the Documentation Centre on the NSU Complex 42. In remembrance of: Enver Simşek, Abdurrahim Özüdoğru, Süleyman Taşköprü, Habil Kılıç, Mehmet Turgut, İsmail Yaşar, Theodoros Boulgarides, Mehmet Kubaşık, Halit Yozgat and Michèle Kiesewetter.

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## Where to Go Next?

The Chemnitz model, i.e. streetcars that commute between Chemnitz and the surrounding area, makes the cultural region accessible. In the Ore Mountains, there are great hikes and the mining tradition (a UNESCO World Heritage Site) to experience. The region also offers reservoirs and bathing lakes

C11: Stollberg C13: Burgstädt or Aue C14: Mittweida or Thalheim C15: Hainichen

If you want to extend your city trip, why not check this out:

- A. Dresden or Leipzig: 1h per train
- B. Ústí nad Labem, Erfurt (USE-IT city), Weimar, Jena or Halle: 2-3h per train
- C. Prague (USE-IT city): 3-4h per train or bus

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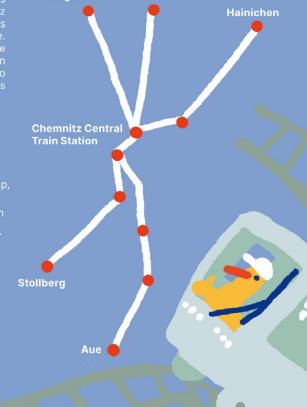




de City Center: Here you can ples, fish, langos (a must!) and severy Tuesday to Sunday.
ice cream! Whether it's Valentino or ice cream in the you'll find the best ice cream
ional spices at "Direkt vom Feld". The taste es on your plate is something very special.

deling thirsty or just want to enjoy a nice beverge? You should try these Chemnitz drinks:

Here you find some ideas for food specialties from Chemnitz:



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