



## Puzzle booklet for children around Düsseldorf's museums **Off through space and time**

**Hello Children,**

**3, 2, 1 Go!**

**Welcome to your journey through space and time!**

With this booklet, you can puzzle your way through Düsseldorf and learn a lot about our twelve museum planets.

Explore exciting places and learn adventurous stories about our city on the Rhine, get to know famous and less famous Düsseldorfers and see ceramics, cameras and artworks of galactic proportions on your journey.

Whether at the Children's Museum Night, during the campaign weeks in spring and summer 2022, or simply at the weekends and during the holidays, our puzzle booklet offers you all the coordinates and information you need. So fasten your seatbelts and let the journey begin!

Have fun!

Would you like to check your knowledge of our museum galaxy?

From 1 May 2022 you will find all the answers to our puzzles on the homepage of the Düsseldorf Cultural Office under the keyword „Kindermuseumsnacht“.

## Filmmuseum

In the heart of the old town, within walking distance of the banks of the Rhine, behind a historic wall that marked the former town prison from the 18th century is, since 1993, the purple coloured Film Museum and its Black Box Cinema. On your discovery tour through the 2,000 square metre exhibition, you'll come across dazzling costumes, magic lanterns and miniature monsters. You'll marvel at rare shadow puppets and glowing moonlight banners, visit the quaint kitchen of Pettersson and Findus or climb into a film prop version of a white car for a ride into the countryside.

Throughout the year, the Film Museum offers adventure tours and workshops for daycare centres and schools, as well as children's birthday parties and holiday programmes. This is all in addition to four school cinema festivals.

While standing on the forecourt at the main entrance, look for the name Luise written on a golden background.

Find the spot near the Film Museum and find out who Luise was. Now guess what important prize she is the only German actress to have won.

Stand in front of the main entrance of the Film Museum.

Where you are now standing was the home of criminals in the 18th century as this is exactly where Düsseldorf city prison once stood.

Find out the name of the person who took care of the prisoners back at that time.

To do this, you have to go through the historic entrance to find the commemorative plaque.

Tip: Turn around and walk a few steps to the entrance on the left. There you will find the plaque.

## Goethe-Museum

In a castle in the Hofgarten you will find the Goethe-Museum. Johann Wolfgang Goethe wrote poems, plays and novels. These made him world famous.

But he also drew landscapes and even did scientific research. That is why there is so much to discover here in the museum, for example Goethe's house in miniature. For the museum detectives among you we have scavenger hunts and digital rallies.

Meet the superheroes of the world of the gods at the Children's Museum Night, because the planets, which Goethe looked at through a telescope, have names

of gods. In the garden of the Museum you can take a quick look at Jupiter and Venus and refuel for further missions.

Here you can land in our digital workroom:  
[www.goethe-museum.de/de/bildung/kinder](http://www.goethe-museum.de/de/bildung/kinder)

In front of Schloss Jägerhof there is a huge book on the grass. Goethe's novel *The Sorrows of Young Werther* was so famous that the characters from the novel appeared in pictures on porcelain cups, plates, fans, wallpaper and even in waxworks!

Also in the museum we have an item which the characters from the story are painted on.

Take a look through the windows at the side of the castle!

In the garden of the museum we have built a Silhouette Wall\*. Grab the accessories to transform yourself behind it! Then take a photo with the instant camera and paste it into the box on this page!

\* After the Children's Museum Night, the frame for the silhouette pictures will be in our workroom until 30 April. The camera can be borrowed from the cash desk.

## **Heinrich-Heine-Institut**

At the Heinrich-Heine-Institut you can learn all about the famous poet Heinrich Heine. He was born in Düsseldorf in 1797 and grew up in the old town. He became famous with exciting accounts of his travels throughout Europe and his Loreley poem. Because he courageously stood up for the freedom of the people and against the injustice of the Kings, he had to leave Germany. He went to France and lived in Paris. There he worked for the newspaper and continued to write many books and poems. To this day his books are known all over the world.

In our museum you can discover, among other things, a lock of Heine's hair and read his books in the library. We also have an archive where almost all of Heine's letters and precious manuscripts are kept.

The poet Heinrich Heine is hiding in the inner courtyard of the Institute. Can you find him? In his hands he holds a sheet of paper and a quill. Heine wrote all his poems, books and letters with a quill. Do you know what else he needed to write?

Our museum has very special windows. If you cross the street and look up, you can read Heine's famous Loreley poem. What is the poem about? Paint your own Loreley in the empty space.

## **Hetjens – German Ceramics Museum**

Welcome to Planet Hetjens and welcome to the wonderful world of ceramics!

In the historic Palais Nesselrode children and parents can embark on a journey through 8,000 years of human history and over five continents. Here you will find mysterious archaeological treasures and precious works of art from all over the world.

How about a short trip to Osaka for origami folding or a painting course in Meissen? Sign up for our family programme and be surprised where the journey through time will take you! If you want to share a creative experience with friends, you can also celebrate birthdays with us.

In the 18th century, a special kind of table decoration became fashionable at European royal palaces. Flowers, vegetables, fruits and sumptuous dishes adorned the banquet table on special occasions. But if you looked more closely, you would have noticed that they were not real at all, but made of porcelain. Porcelain food was quite practical because it did not spoil and could be used again and again to decorate the table.

Look at the banner at our main entrance.

It shows a plate made by the Meissen porcelain factory around 1745. The porcelain fruits on the plate amazingly imitate the shape of what fruit?

Look through the window to the left of the main entrance.

Do you see the big dome? You are standing in front of the largest object in the Hetjens Museum.

It came to the museum in 53 wooden boxes and had to be put together like a big jigsaw puzzle. In its country of origin, Pakistan, it was the crowning part of a building. The surfaces of the dome are painted with flowers. The main colour used for the decoration has a special meaning in Islamic culture. Surely you know which colour is meant here and can colour in the outline picture yourself.

## **KIT – Kunst im Tunnel (Art in the Tunnel)**

KIT stands for Kunst im Tunnel (Art in the Tunnel). KIT is a tunnel space under the Rhine promenade where exhibitions by young artists are regularly shown. Before there were tunnels here, the promenade was a busy road. To make it nicer for the people of Düsseldorf, the city decided to build a tunnel under the Rhine embankment. The space between the promenade and the tunnel, called Restraum at the time, is now home to the KIT.

Artists and creative people quickly became aware of the unusual concrete building. From 1992 to 1996, theatre performances, parties and art exhibitions were held here. Ten years later, within 12 months, architects Niklaus Fritschi, Benedikt Stahl and Günter Baum turned KIT into the place where we admire art today. A space was created that inspires and excites us with its special architecture.

Take a close look at the tunnel room. The pictures and displays next to the ticket office and the information text on the left will help you answer the following questions:

What are the names of the architects who built KIT?

How long did it take to rebuild KIT?

How many skylights are there in KIT?

How many tunnels touch KIT?

Junior architect!

Now it's your turn to be an architect.

What could be changed?

What extension could the KIT be missing? A roof garden or a bell tower? Add your ideas to the building plan!

## **Kunsthalle Düsseldorf**

The Kunsthalle is located in the centre of Düsseldorf. Many famous artists have shown their works here, and you can always discover new exhibitions of painting, sculpture, photography, video and unusual art installations. Perhaps you have even visited the Kunsthalle yourself?

Today's Kunsthalle is a grey concrete cube perched on a dark grey plinth. This style is called Brutalism and it was very modern in the 1960s, when the new Kunsthalle was built. However, the Kunsthalle has existed as a museum since 1881.

Unfortunately, the old Kunsthalle building was destroyed during the Second World War. However, there are still remains of the old building to the right of the hall. If you walk around the building to the right, you will see four sculptures that were attached to the entrance of the old Kunsthalle. These figures represent four muses, ancient goddesses of the arts. Incidentally, the word museum is also derived from them. The first is the muse of music, the second stands for art, the third embodies sculpture and the fourth architecture.

The muse of art holds something in her arms that many artists, especially painters, can't do without. What is it?

Would you like to paint your own muse?  
What is she holding in her hand?

### **Kunstpalast (Palace of Arts)**

Almost exactly 120 years ago the Kunstpalast was built. It was here that important art exhibitions were held. In 1926 the Kunstpalast was given a new façade, made of red bricks, and the whole building was enlarged. It thus became part of the Court of Honour with its buildings and gardens. Even today the Kunstpalast is a house for the arts. Besides exciting exhibitions, there is also a museum with many different art treasures. In the collections you can see glassware, colourful paintings, fine drawings, paintings, a wide variety of photographs and elaborately embroidered garments and much more.

Here you can see a photo of the old Palace of Arts. One corner is still standing today. Can you find it?

Look for the inscription above the exhibition entrance of the Kunstpalast!

It reads:

Do you know what language this is?

English  Turkish  Latin

Translated, it means: Dedicated to the arts

At the moment there is a building work going on and the collections are closed, but in the exhibitions there is an exciting programme for children. Here you can, for example, sign up for a torch tour, solve puzzles browse the children's website, or do handicrafts and play: [www.kunstpalast.de/kinder](http://www.kunstpalast.de/kinder)

Our children's website has a mascot: a rather large animal called Nele.

Take a good look around on the lawn in front of the Kunstpalast. Have you spotted her?

What kind of animal is Nele?

An elephant  A rhinoceros  A hippopotamus

The artist Johannes Brus cast Nele in bronze, so she can live here in Düsseldorf, even though she actually comes from the warm climate of Africa. And you can even ride on her!

Draw an animal that you would like to meet here in the Ehrenhof!

## **Mahn- und Gedenkstätte (Place of remembrance and memorial)**

Behind the big green door you will find the exhibition „Düsseldorf Children and Young People under National Socialism“. Here you can learn how young Düsseldorfers experienced the Nazi era and the Second World War (1939 to 1945). You can get a first glimpse of the memorial in our virtual tour:

*art.vision/mahn-und-gedenkstaette*

But it is much better to visit and explore the memorial with your parents and friends!

The memorial is located in an old townhouse on Mühlenstraße. If you take a close look at the house from the outside, you can find out a lot about its 400-year history.

Walk along the townhouse in the direction of Grabbeplatz. A rectangle is set into the pavement. When a moonbeam falls on it, it shines bronze-coloured. Have you found it? Can you decipher anything?

It's not a manhole cover. It is the emergency exit from a room that is still in the basement of the memorial. During the war, such rooms were very important. The people of Düsseldorf sought shelter there from bombing raids. The raids often came by surprise. That's why there were frequent drills in the school, as you can see in the photo.

Long before the Place of Remembrance and Memorial moved in, an observatory was built on the roof of the house. From here astronomers looked up at the night sky. Today it is unfortunately no longer there, but you can still observe the stars! What does the sky above you look like? Starry?

Or overcast? Then use your imagination to push away the clouds and start painting.

You can find more information about the observatory here (please scan the QR-Code):



## NRW-Forum

Many buildings belong to the Düsseldorf Ehrenhof. They were built, or rebuilt, in 1926 for a major exhibition. You can recognise all of them by their red bricks. The Ehrenhof also includes the NRW-Forum with exhibitions on trendy topics like photography, pop culture and digital art.

Look for four large vases.

Do you recognise any figures on them?

The vase on the wall opposite the NRW-Forum in the direction of the Tonhalle

Men with monkeys  Men and women  Men with horses

The vase on the wall opposite the NRW-Forum on Inselstraße.

Seals in the water  Bathing women  Weekly market

The vase on the left end of the terrace wall of the NRW-Forum towards the Tonhalle

St. Martin's procession  Carnival  Battle scene

The vase at the right end of the terrace wall of the NRW-Forum towards the Palace of Arts

Children at school  Holiday in the mountains  Age

The whole complex of the Ehrenhof may seem very austere and uniform, but look closely, there are also a few gems and sculptures: Look for the sculpture of a kneeling boy. Which great Düsseldorf poet did the artist Georg Kolbe dedicate it to?

Did you know that this type of vase was made by the Greeks and Romans in ancient times? To this day, these ornaments are used again and again and I'm sure you've seen them in other places too, so look out for them. Here they are used to shape the architecture and act as a link between the garden and the building.

What makes these vases different from the ones in your home?

Design your own vase: what story would you want to tell on it?

## SchifffahrtMuseum (Maritime Museum)

Here on Burgplatz, directly on the Rhine, stands the historic castle tower. This tower is the only remaining part of the old Düsseldorf residential palace.

Today you will find the multifaceted Maritime Museum. On seven floors you can playfully learn about the history of shipping on the Rhine and learn a lot about the life and work of the people on the great river.

The museum offers many workshops, guided tours and even birthday rallies.

Outside opening hours, you can also explore the museum digitally at [art.vision/schiffahrtmuseum](http://art.vision/schiffahrtmuseum).

Under the Burgplatz, a small river flows through old vaults and flows into the Rhine below the Rhine wharf. In the east of the square you can see the river in the open. There you will also find a monument. It reminds you how and when our „village“ was elevated to a town. What is the name of the river that gave the small village its name?

Today you can walk along the banks of the Rhine below Burgplatz but until the 1960s cargo ships anchored here and were unloaded by cranes at the Rhine wharf.

Here you can paint an old sailing or steam ship in front of the castle.

## **Stadtmuseum (City Museum)**

As Düsseldorf's oldest museum, the Stadtmuseum offers all the interesting information you need to get to know the history of the city. Düsseldorf castle and palace models, historical toys, fashion, photographs and paintings: all this and much, much more can be found here!

With our changing exhibitions you can take part in current discussions about urban structures and perspectives for the future. In addition to exciting events and concerts, a wide range of guided tours, workshops and holiday programs is waiting for you. „Experience history“ is the motto and this includes creative activities such as cooking according to historic recipes.

Every Sunday at 4 p.m. there are free guided tours for the whole family and an invitation to get creative in our studio!

There is one animal that is of particular importance in the history of the town. It is the heraldic animal of the Counts of Berg, who elevated Düsseldorf to the status of a city. You find it today in the Düsseldorf coat of arms and also on one of the doors of the Palais Spee, the building that houses the City Museum.

Design a badge with one of the beautiful museum planets as a souvenir of the Children's Museum Night 2022!

Our badge station is located directly in front of the City Museum. By the way, you can find the planets on the cover of this puzzle booklet.

Have fun!

## Theatermuseum

Louise Dumont was a famous actress and director. Together with her husband, Gustav Lindemann, who was also an actor and director, she had the Schauspielhaus Düsseldorf built in 1905 and managed it until 1933. Many people considered her way of making theatre progressive at the time. So that her work would not be forgotten, Gustav Lindemann and the city of Düsseldorf founded the Dumont-Lindemann Archive 75 years ago, which today is known as the Theatermuseum. Since then, the Theatermuseum collects everything about the two theatre artists and makes exhibitions out of it. The Museum also shows you what theatre was like in another era and what you can experience in a theatre. We also have a studio and our own stage. Here you can try out many things for yourself. Come and visit us!

Do you want to know what Louise Dumont looked like? In one of our windows you can see a photo of her in her garden. If you look around in front of the Theatermuseum now, you will also find her head as a bust. On the red pedestal there is also a text by the famous poet Johann Wolfgang von Goethe, whose plays Louise Dumont often performed. What is the 13th word of the text?

In some of our windows you see drawings of people in disguise. These are by artists who have created costumes for the plays performed at the theatre.

These artists are also called costume designers.

In our collection one costume design is missing some colour.

Will you help us to complete this design? What might the colours have looked like? You are welcome to send us your design or bring it with you. We will then exhibit it in our studio.

