

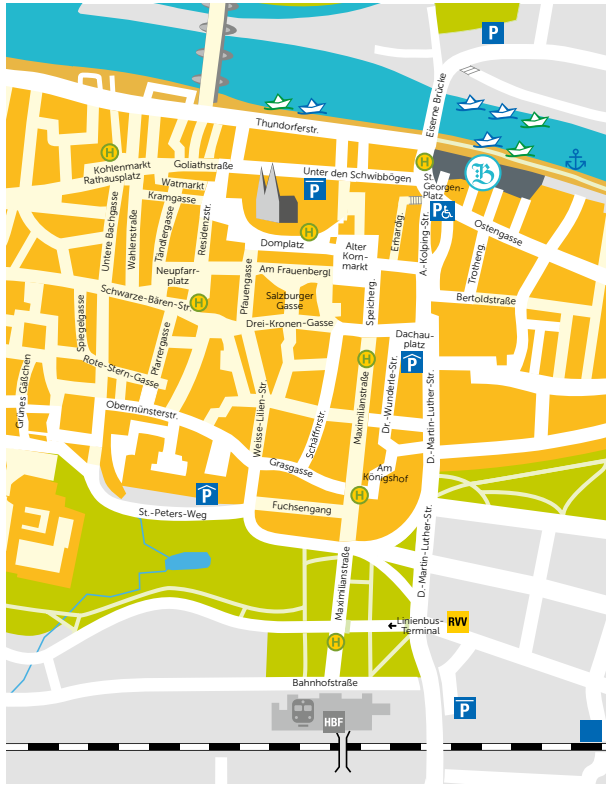
SERVUS IN REGENSBURG



from November 15, 2025
**TALES
FROM THE
BAVARIAN
FOREST**
to June 14, 2026

**HAUS DER BAYERISCHEN GESCHICHTE
IN REGENSBURG**

Tuesday through Sunday, 9 a.m. – 6 p.m. | www.hdbg.de



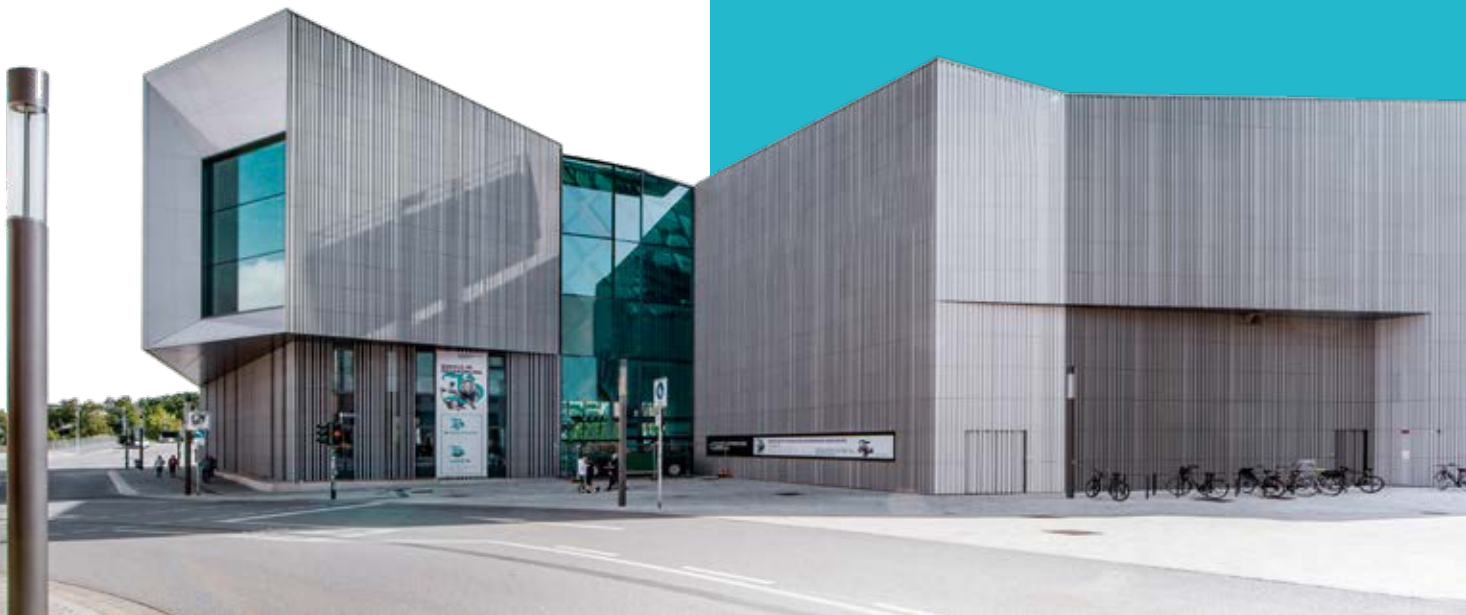
 Haus der Bayerischen Geschichte

GRÜSS GOTT IN REGENSBURG



A FOUR-METER-HIGH LION GREET'S YOU AT THE HAUS DER BAYERISCHEN GESCHICHTE. IT WAS ONCE AN OKTOBERFEST MASCOT, MAKING IT ONE OF THE MOST FAMOUS BAVARIANS IN THE WORLD. BENEATH THE FOYER'S LOZENGES, IT POINTS TO THE MUSEUM'S ATTRACTIONS.

THE MULTIMEDIA SHOW *THE BACKSTORY* WITH CHRISTOPH SÜSS, THE PERMANENT EXHIBITION *HOW BAVARIA BECAME A FREE STATE AND WHAT MAKES IT DISTINCTIVE*, A SHOP WITH A TREASURE TROVE OF EXCLUSIVE SOUVENIRS, THE BREZERIA WITH UNUSUAL BAVARIAN TREATS AND NEW SPECIAL EXHIBITIONS AND EVENTS IN THE DANUBE HALL AWAIT YOU.

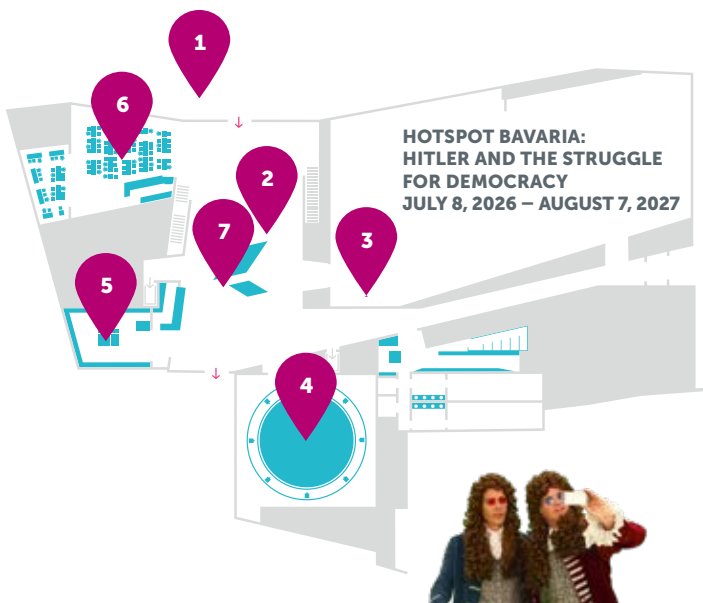


OUR MUSEUM

How Bavaria Became a Free State and What Makes It Distinctive

That is what the permanent exhibition tracing Bavaria's path to becoming a modern state is all about. One thousand objects and multimedia installations engagingly present Bavarian history on the upper floor. Numerous personal mementos from ordinary Bavarians not only relate *macro* but also *micro* histories. Located right on the Danube, our museum is the gateway to the UNESCO World Heritage City of Regensburg: The light-flooded foyer with a multimedia show, shop and Brezeria is open to the public to explore free of charge.

Ground floor



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| 1 Beer garden | 5 Shop |
| 2 Foyer | 6 Brezeria |
| 3 Danube Hall: temporary exhibitions and events | 7 Until June 14, 2026: Tales from the Bavarian Forest II |
| 4 Multimedia show by and with Christoph Süß exploring Bavarian history | |

THE BACKSTORY

Multimedia show in the foyer

The multimedia show *The Backstory* is the perfect introduction to the permanent exhibition and a visit to Regensburg. Bavarian television host and actor Christoph Süß explores 2000 years of *Bavarian* history in forty roles and twenty minutes. He begins as Roman Emperor Marcus Aurelius: "So, I'm in a historical mood. We'll build right here. *Alea iacta est!*" Set against iconic historical sites in Regensburg, this film is the most entertaining sightseeing guide to the city on the Danube.



▲ HDBG MAGAZINE NO. 1 AND NO. 2

Number 1 is the ideal companion for your sightseeing tour of Regensburg: The magazine includes a map of the city with all the sites in the film, the script and fascinating background information (price €5). Number 2 is the brief guide to the permanent exhibition *How Bavaria Became a Free State and What Makes It Distinctive* (price €10). The HDBG magazines can be purchased in the shop or on www.hdbg.de/laden. Number 2 is also available in English.

FROM 1800 TO THE PRESENT: THE PERMANENT EXHIBITION

The permanent exhibition features a theater of history with thirty stages recounting key episodes of Bavarian history—such as the royal crown from Napoleon, which was, so to speak, married into; Ludwigs II's mysterious death; Bavaria's striking display of both tradition and modernity at the Chicago World's Fair; Hitler's rise in Munich; how displaced persons in Franconia helped create the Beatles' sound; and how a balloon from the GDR landed in Naila and is now a movie star.

Upper floor



WHAT IS MORE:

Eight cultural showcases explore typically Bavarian phenomena, from dialects to festivals and even FC Bayern.



GENERATIONS



GENERATION 1

1800 – 1825

Bavaria Becomes a Kingdom



GENERATION 2

1825 – 1850

Will Bavaria Become a Nation?



GENERATION 3

1850 – 1875

The Royal Drama of Ludwig II



GENERATION 4

1875 – 1900

Bavaria Becomes a Legend



GENERATION 5

1900 – 1925

Weltkrieg und Freistaat



GENERATION 6

1925 – 1950

Dictatorship – Catastrophe –
New Beginning



GENERATION 7

1950 – 1975

Reconstruction – Wirtschaftswunder



GENERATION 8

1975 – 2000

Watershed Years



GENERATION 9

2000 – 2025

What Will Shape the
Present and the Future

Films on exhibitions and events are available on
www.hdbg.de/mediathek and our YouTube channel.



CAPTIVATING, DIVERSE, INNOVATIVE: OUR PROGRAM FOR SCHOOL GROUPS

Enthralling guided tours and exciting activity stations, captivating escape games, fascinating museum education activities and special programs on the digital workbench—the Haus der Bayerischen Geschichte together with the Bavariathek is a unique learning facility and destination for all ages from pre-school through high school!

Information on guided tours for school groups and museum education is available on www.hdbg.de.
Media education programs and projects are presented on www.bavariathek.bayern/programme

▶ BAVARIATHEK

Who was King Ludwig I's mysterious mistress really? School groups explore this question in our escape game.



▼ MUSEUM EDUCATION

School students light up a city.



ADMISSION

2026-27 Bavarian Exhibition and the permanent exhibition

- ▶ Adults: €7
- ▶ Discounted: €5 (e.g., seniors 65 or older, people with (severe) disabilities, groups of 15 or more)
- ▶ Free for children and teenagers 18 and younger, school students in groups and college students under 30

Admission includes the 2026-27 Bavarian Exhibition as long as it runs.

Admission tickets are available at the admissions desk in Regensburg and online on www.hdbg.de/laden

HOURS

Tuesday through Sunday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Closed Monday. The museum is open on holidays that fall on a Monday. Closed on December 24, 25 and 31, January 1 and Good Friday.

Additionally open on Monday, July 27, 2026.

DIRECTIONS

The museum is a fifteen-minute walk from the train station.

Public buses stop at the Haus der Bayerischen Geschichte stop www.rvv.de

The closest parking garage is on Dachauplatz.

The city of Regensburg's parking guidance and information system: www.r-parken.de

MULTIMEDIA GUIDE

Scan the QR code at the museum with your smartphone for the free media guide and get started! German, English, and Czech multimedia guides can be rented for €3. Basic German and German sign language multimedia guides are available for free.

ACCESSIBILITY

The Haus der Bayerischen Geschichte is wheelchair accessible. Select areas have hearing loop systems. Induction neckloops are available for guided tours and the media guide. Various materials are available for people with low vision and in basic German and German sign language. Handicap parking is located on the south side of the museum.



Information and registration for guided tours:
 booking hotline **+49 (0) 941 788 388 0**
 email **museumsfuehrung@stadtmaus.de**

BREZERIA



Crispy pretzel creations and Bavarian treats along with an extensive selection of beers—the Brezeria has something for everyone! **www.brezeria.bayern**

SHOP



Bavarian products, often handmade, and all of the Haus der Bayerischen Geschichte's publications await you in the shop in Regensburg

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2027 PREVIEW

2027 BAVARIAN STATE EXHIBITION DEAR SISTER! WOMEN SAVING BAVARIA

Dominikus-Ringeisen-Werk, Ursberg
 May 4 – November 7, 2027

www.hdbg.de/bla2027-schwesterherz

Cultural partner



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FOLLOW THE MUSIC IN 2026: WE'RE OFF TO THE TONYVERSUM IN FREYUNG FOR THE 2026 BAVARIAN STATE EXHIBITION

April 25 – November 8, 2026

This exhibition is presented jointly by the Haus der Bayerischen Geschichte and the city of Freyung at the TonYversum building right downtown.

Bavaria is a musical land, sending its music out into the world! The state exhibition is an invitation to a journey of musical discovery: varied, surprising and moving.

A great show: The Stadtplatzcenter Cineplex shows a musically powerful and emotional story on film. And then visitors enter the *Bavarian Spectacle* in the landmarked exhibition building.

The whole region around the exhibition is a stage. Music will be played on 199 days—in concerts, in performances and events at restaurants and bars, on squares, in churches

and outdoors in the Bavarian Forest.

www.hdbg.de/bla2026-musik





TALES FROM THE BAVARIAN FOREST II

**First Foyer Exhibition
at the Haus der Bayerischen Geschichte in Regensburg
until June 14, 2026**

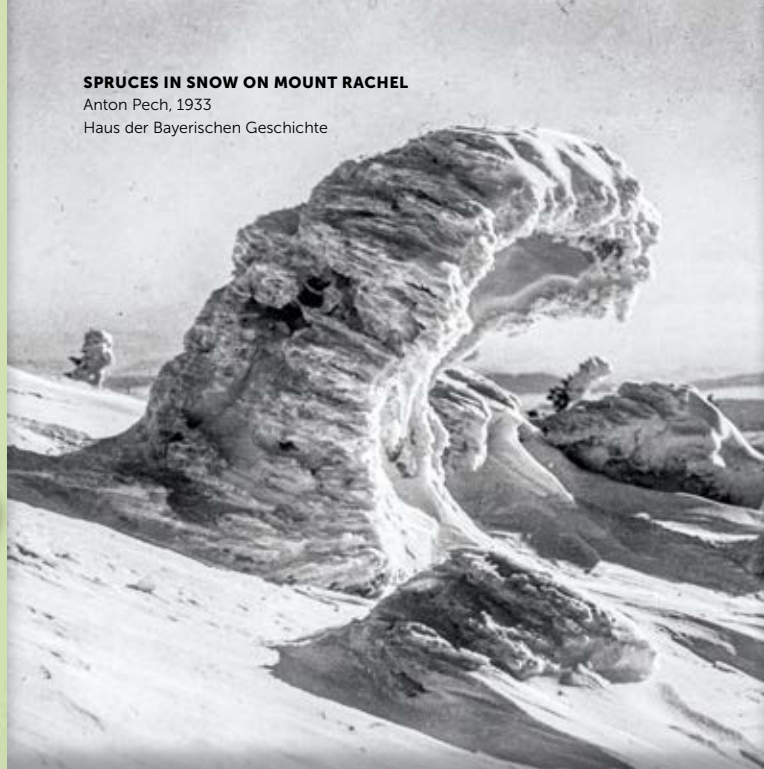
The forest, committed to sustainability, closely tied to the Danube region and South Bohemia, victim of secularization, subjected to bad policies, nevertheless a boom region around 1900. Derided as Bavarian Siberia. At best, touted as Bavaria's Wild East.

Our director miraculously discovered a huge collection of Bavarian Forest postcards. Embark on a very special journey: We have created a real forest atmosphere in the foyer, creating a new image of the Bavarian Forest and showing what lies behind the clichés.

SPRUCES IN SNOW ON MOUNT RACHEL

Anton Pech, 1933

Haus der Bayerischen Geschichte



GUIDED EXHIBITION TOURS

We offer guided tours of the exhibition for registered groups and open tours for individual visitors.

More information: www.hdbg.de/fuehrungen

VHS Regensburg additionally offers exclusive "Waidler" tours of the exhibition. Only in German.

Information and registration: www.vhs-regensburg.de

GRÜSSE AUS DEM WILDEN OSTEN: THE BOOK FOR THE EXHIBITION

To accompany the exhibition, Regensburg publisher Friedrich Pustet has released the first cultural history of the Bavarian Forest based on postcards by Richard Loibl. It is available at the Haus der Bayerischen Geschichte's shop and bookstores for €49.



SPONSOR





▲ ESCAPE GAME

Evidence, sources, police records—school students investigate a historic murder case in the escape game.

INTERACTION

Evidence is collected, sources are compared and police records are examined—school students investigate a prominent historical murder case in the historical escape game *Hatred, Smears, Murder* in the Bavariathek. In another activity, taking Hitler's "official photographer" Heinrich Hoffmann as its point of departure, they uncover how pictures can be faked, manipulated and weaponized.

MAGAZINE TO THE EXHIBITION

What was the Bavarian cell of order? How did Adolf Hitler turn from a world war veteran without prospects into the Führer of right-wing extremists? What did international right-wing networks look like? Recognized experts explore these and other questions in the magazine to the exhibition.



Available from the online HDBG shop or at the shop in Regensburg for €10 (plus shipping). Available only in German.



▲ ► WAITING ROOM

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WAITING ROOM THE DRAMA TO THE EXHIBITION

A free thirty-minute film drama by and with Christoph Süß, Christian Springer, Luise Kinseher and many other stars of the Bavarian political satire scene. Showings twice a day and upon request for groups. See our website for current showings.

CELEBRATION OF DEMOCRACY

A celebration for everyone that will not only be fun but also make an impact from July 24 to 26, 2026.*

www.hdbg.de/events

*Subject to change without notice



REVOLUTION!

Workers were the first to stage mass protests for an end to World War I and for political reforms in 1918. The monarchy was toppled in November 1918 and the Free State of Bavaria was proclaimed. From then on, political protagonists waged their fight for majorities with theatrical stagecraft.



◀ **BANNER: UP WITH THE 8-HOUR DAY – SPD PASING**
Münchner Stadtmuseum

▲ **OPENING OF THE BAVARIAN CIVIL GUARDS' FIRST STATE MARKSMANSHIP CONTEST**
Munich, September 26, 1920
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▼ **"MUNICH THEATER": MEDAL SATIRIZING THE FAILED BEER HALL PUTSCH**
Karl Goetz, 1923
Haus der Bayerischen Geschichte



EXTREMIST HAVEN

After the Reichswehr and Freikorps had brutally put down the left-wing council rule that followed the revolution, Bavarian Minister-President Gustav von Kahr intended to fashion the free state into a "cell of order." Anti-socialist, anti-Semitic and national conservative policies made Bavaria a haven for anti-republicans. His power rested on paramilitary organizations such as the civil guards.

THE BEER HALL PUTSCH

The Nazis grew into the greatest threat to democracy in Bavaria. Their attempted putsch on November 9, 1923 failed miserably. Its radicalness and perilousness notwithstanding, it turned into a derided "farce" and "clown show." The putsch and Hitler disastrously continued to be notoriously underestimated until 1933.

▼ **VISUALIZATION OF THE 1923
BEER HALL PUTSCH EXHIBIT
STAGE**

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► **THE BEER HALL PUTSCH BEING
PUT DOWN** by the Bavarian State Police
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1923
Putsch

ECONOMIC CRISES, POLITICAL VIOLENCE AND PUTSCH ATTEMPTS THREATENED THE WEIMAR REPUBLIC IN THE EARLY 1920S. BAVARIA BECAME THE HOTSPOT IN THE STRUGGLE FOR DEMOCRACY. ADOLF HITLER ATTEMPTED TO BRING DOWN THE REPUBLIC HERE IN 1923.

**2026 BAVARIAN EXHIBITION IMAGE:
CROWD ON MUNICH'S MARIENPLATZ DURING THE BEER HALL PUTSCH.**
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FIVE WALK-IN SETS PRESENT FORMATIVE EVENTS IN THE HOTSPOT BAVARIA. A LOOK BEHIND THE SCENES EXPOSES RIGHT-WING EXTREMISTS' NETWORKS, RAISES THE CURTAIN ON MIDDLE-CLASS SALONS AND REVEALS WHY THE FAILURE OF THE 1923 BEER HALL PUTSCH WAS JUST A TEMPORARY VICTORY FOR DEMOCRACY.



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