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VJF3.3	柏林會議中心環境維護與翻新
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VJF6.2	12 世紀堡壘修護與山中小鎮建設
VJF6.3	法西斯主義探討與布痕瓦爾德集中營遺址環境維護

VJF6.4

綠化帶(GREEN BELT)特有種保育

VJF7.1

Weierstadt 露天電影節活動籌備(節慶)

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Vereinigung Junger Freiwilliger e.V.

# Workcamp PROGRAM

2020



Vereinigung Junger  
Freiwilliger e.V.

# PRACTICAL INFORMATION



Name of the organization: Vereinigung Junger Freiwilliger e.V. (VJF)  
Year of foundation: 1990  
Location of the central office: Berliner Allee 59-61, 13088 Berlin, Germany

## Aims and objectives:

VJF (Union of Young Volunteers) is organising youth projects which aim to expand the idea of (inter-) national voluntary movements. We organise international youth meetings with short-term projects (app. 30-35 international workcamps) and long-term projects (ESC, weltwaerts). We also run the Voluntary Ecological Year to involve annually more than 85 youngsters in ecological projects. Moreover, VJF runs a Project and Meeting place in the outskirts of Berlin where we also run international seminars.

Type: NGO

## International activities:

Workcamps, European Solidarity Corps (ESC), weltwaerts

## Responsible persons:

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Working days and hours: Mo – Fr 08:00 a.m. – 04:00 p.m.

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## General conditions for participation in your workcamps:

age limit: 18-26 years  
common language used in the camps: English, German  
extra fee: yes - for Language camps  
vegetarian food is always available  
insurance against illness (except chronic ones), accidents, liability  
Placement starts at 09.03.2020  
reservation deadline is 15.05.2020  
3 ESC-camps are applied, will be published after granted (2.1, 6.3, +1 more)

## WORKCAMPS at GLANCE

VJF	WORKCAMP	LOCATION	START	END	VOL	TYPE
1.1	Nature Lovers #1	Wooster Teerofen	23.08.2020	06.09.2020	9	ENVI
1.2	Light Festival & 100 Years of Workcamps	Dreiluetzow, Berlin	10.08.2020	28.08.2020	15	CONS/FEST
1.3	Save the Bees	Feldberg	03.08.2020	14.08.2020	12	ENVI
1.4	Nature & Art with Water	Bruel	18.07.2020	02.08.2020	12	ENVI/ARTS
2.1	KiEZ Hoelzerner See (ES)	Heidensee	08.08.2020	24.08.2020	20	RENO/ENVI
2.2	AWO Adventure Farm	Beeskow	11.09.2020	27.09.2020	15	ZOO/RENO
2.3	Never Forget #1 Sachsenhausen	Oranienburg	29.06.2020	18.07.2020	15	STUDY/ENVI
2.4	Never Forget #2 Sachsenhausen	Oranienburg	29.06.2020	18.07.2020	15	STUDY/ENVI
2.5	Never Forget #3 Sachsenhausen	Oranienburg	10.08.2020	30.08.2020	15	STUDY/ENVI
2.7	Never Forget #4 Ravensbrueck	Ravensbrueck	09.08.2020	23.08.2020	15	STUDY/ARTS/RENO
2.8	Nature Lovers #2	Wandlitz	06.07.2020	17.07.2020	10	ENVI/CONS
2.9	Nature Lovers #3	Wandlitz	10.08.2020	21.08.2020	10	ENVI/CONS
3.1	Deutsch-Camp #1	Berlin	23.03.2020	03.04.2020	12	LANG
3.2	Deutsch-Camp #2	Berlin	12.10.2020	23.10.2020	12	LANG
3.3	Berlin Spring	Berlin	06.04.2020	17.04.2020	10	MANU/RENO
3.4	Berlin Still Spring	Berlin	04.05.2020	15.05.2020	10	MANU/RENO
3.5	Drumfestival RAKATAK & youth club MAXIM	Berlin	15.06.2020	04.07.2020	15	FEST/RENO
3.6	Remember the Spanish Civil War 1936-39	Berlin	23.08.2020	04.09.2020	12	RENO/STUDY
3.7	Nature Photo Camp	Berlin	02.06.2020	12.06.2020	8	ENVI/ARTS
3.8	CCIVS Event Camp	Berlin	20.11.2020	04.12.2020	7	FEST
5.1	KiEZ Am Filzteich	Schneeberg	28.09.2020	16.10.2020	15	RENO/ENVI
5.2	Jewish Graveyard	Zittau	04.09.2020	19.09.2020	15	ARCH
6.1	Nature Lovers #4	Jena	05.09.2020	19.09.2020	12	ENVI
6.2	Weisbach Village	Weisbach	01.07.2020	24.07.2020	7	RENO
6.3	Never Forget #5 Buchenwald (ESC)	Weimar	09.08.2020	22.08.2020	20	STUDY/RENO
6.4	Deutsch-Camp #3	Wurzbach	08.09.2020	19.09.2020	7	ENVI/LANG
7.1	Film Fest Weiterstadt	Weiterstadt	03.08.2020	20.08.2020	12	FEST/RENO

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## Workcamps in Mecklenburg-Vorpommern

### VJF 1.1 Camp for Nature Lovers #1 camping and farming in a nature reserve

**Date:** 2020-08-23 – 2020-09-06

ENVI

9 vols (18-26 years)

**Location:** Wooster Teerofen, Krakow am See 15 km, Guestrow 30 km

**Terminal:** Berlin or Hamburg

**Work:** Your work will include different activities in a natural park like to build an apiary, to help farmers or similar works. Your help is also needed for maintenance works, e. g. on orchid meadows, in forests or on a bird island.

This project is especially for nature lovers. Please be prepared to work 5-6 hours a day.

Volunteers should come prepared for light or heavy work and be motivated for anything to help the rangers of the Nature Reserve.

**Accommodation:** You will live on a camping site close to a very nice lake. You will sleep in tents (2 persons per tents) on camping beds with mattresses. A kitchen, sanitary facilities and a big meeting room are provided on the camping site.

**Special requirements:** You have to be able to ride a bike!

**Info:** [www.naturpark-nossentiner-schwinzer-heide.de](http://www.naturpark-nossentiner-schwinzer-heide.de)

### VJF 1.2 Light Festival & 100 Years of Workcamps build-up, do handicraft & presentation on the big workcamp celebration

**Date:** 2020-08-10 – 2020-08-28

CONS/FEST

12 vols (18-26 years)

**Location:** Dreiluetzow, Schwerin 25 km

**Terminal:** Berlin or Hamburg

**Work:** This Workcamp has two different types of work. In the first 2 weeks you will be in Dreiluetzow to support the LICHTERFEST. In the third week you will move to Berlin to be part of the jubilee event 100 YEARS OF WORKCAMPS – PEACE AND SOLIDARITY FOR THE FUTURE..

The main work during the camp will be the preparation of the light festival. The whole park around the castle will be lightened by candles and fire and at different places there will be theatre, music and installations. Preparation works have to be done, such as building up tents, carrying (heavy) things, playing music to practise for the event, painting signs and so on. Here we need your handicraft and creative ideas to prepare a little program as a part of the festival. The projects depend on the dynamics of the participants! If you play a musical instrument, it would be great if you bring it with you!

On 23rd August you will leave Dreiluetzow and move to Berlin. This year, workcamp organisations celebrate 100 years of Workcamps and German organisations will have a big event in Berlin. There will be presentations of jubilee workcamps, yours is the one from VJF. On 23rd and 25th you can have a look behind the scenes and support the preparations of the event. Different tasks need to be done, like making signs for better orientation of the participants, prepare documents and info-packs, while arrival welcoming and check-in. We kindly ask for being flexible, because all the tasks cannot be planned in detail.

On 26th you will participate in Workshops with all the other workcamps of the other German organisations. There you will discuss about international voluntary services and about the future of workcamps.

On 27th will be the main day with a public presentation of all the workcamps. Therefore you and your campleader will prepare something, which is completely up to you what kind of presentation it will be (picture gallery, short video, installation, song, performance...). In the evening we will also have a party and celebrate VJFs 30th birthday, as well!

**Accommodation:** In Dreiluetzow, volunteers will live in multi-bed rooms (4-9 beds in a room) in a little building next to the castle. The group will cook for themselves. In Berlin you will sleep in a hostel with multi-bed rooms with an own bathroom and there will be a catering.

**Special requirements:** It is absolutely necessary to stay until the last day. Early departures are not accepted!

**Info:** [www.schloss-dreiluetzow.de](http://www.schloss-dreiluetzow.de), [www.schloss-dreiluetzow.de/index.php/lichterfest](http://www.schloss-dreiluetzow.de/index.php/lichterfest), [www.workcamps.de](http://www.workcamps.de)

### **VJF 1.3 Save the Bees gardening in a primary school**

**Date:** 2020-08-03 – 2020-08-24

ENVI

12 vols (18-26 years)

**Location:** Feldberg

**Terminal:** Berlin

**Area:** The little town Feldberg is situated in the federal state Mecklenburg-Vorpommern, near the cities of Neustrelitz. In the surrounding area, you will find many forests and lakes. The Forest Youth Centre Steinmuehle is the National Park Authoritys educational centre. Please be prepared for a small, isolated but very nice location in the middle of the National park Mueritz.

**Work:** The teachers of the Hans-Fallada-Schule in Feldberg will warmly welcome you at your working place for the next days. The city planned to build a storage room on the ground of the school garden, so the school garden group had to stop their work. Nature took over again and nothing happened. In 2018 the he city council informed the head of the school about changing their construction plans and gave the grounds back to the school.



That is why a first workcamp took place, which set up the school garden after 2 years of silence. Now it's up to the second workcamp to continue and create a garden with habitats for bees.

As you can see, there is a lot of work to be done and in the end of the workcamp, you will be able to see what you have done.

**Accommodation:** Will be announced later.

**Special requirements:** none

**Info:** [www.schule-feldberg.de](http://www.schule-feldberg.de)

#### **VJF 1.4 Nature & Art with Water**

**learn about environmental changes of the living space water through art**

**Date:** 2020-07-18 – 2020-08-02

ENVI / ART

12 vols (18-26 years)

**Location:** Bruel

**Terminal:** Hamburg

**Study Part:** Different guided tours are planned, e.g. the most beautiful lakes, paddle tours on the river Warnow, hiking and the coast of Baltic sea. These excursions will be connected to environmental topics like rubbish chute sea, lakes full of algae, living space water, food water

**Work:** Under guidance of a professional artist you will participate in workshops (music, screen printing, theatre) on Monday – Friday 5h/day. All will handle the topic water from different artful perspectives. The results will be presented on a final event with locals and politics.

**Accommodation:** You will sleep in the gym of Bruel, near your working place. You will have a huge living room, kitchen, showers and a nice outside area. Please bring your own sleeping back and mattress with you.

**Special requirements:** You must be able to ride a bike. It is necessary for the project partner, that a documentation of the project will be done. Therefore we need your permission for taking and publishing photos.

**Info:** [www.stadt-brueel.de](http://www.stadt-brueel.de)

## Workcamps in Brandenburg

### **VJF 2.1 (ESC) KiEZ Hoelzerner See renovate and excavate the kids and teens recreation centre**

**Date:** 2020-08-08 – 2020-08-24

RENO / ENVI

20 vols (18-26 years)

**Location:** Heidesee, Koenigs Wusterhausen 15 km

**Terminal:** Berlin Tegel

**Work** International volunteers are invited to improve the grounds of the centre. Tasks are likely to include construction, gardening, maintenance and renovation works. It is planned to create corners relaxation, to paint playground equipment, to maintain the water playground and similar tasks. Other environmental and construction works are possible. Please be aware that you will not work with children!

**Accommodation:** You will live in small bungalows. Up to 4 volunteers will share a room. Bed linen will be provided. The sanitary track with showers, WC and a washing machine is situated next to the bungalows. Close to the sleeping place you will have your own common room, a place to meet and relax in the evening.

**Special requirements:** In this camp you have to be able to ride a bike and to swim!

**Info:** [www.hoelzerner-see.de](http://www.hoelzerner-see.de)

**Attention!** This project is applied as ESC-project. It will be published after it is granted.

### **VJF 2.2 AWO Adventure Farm animals and gardens**

**Date:** 2020-09-11 – 2020-09-27

ZOO/RENO

15 vols (18-26)

**Location:** Beeskow, Frankfurt/Oder 30 km

**Terminal:** Berlin

**Work:** Different works are to be done to maintain the place. Your help is needed to paint, to build, to repair, to do anything what is necessary on the farm. Please be open for any work! It is very important to bring wet weather clothing as volunteers will work only outside! Please be prepared for any work on the farm to support it. Please be aware that you will not work with children!

**Accommodation:** You will live in rooms with 4-6 people and the group will cook for themselves.

**Special requirements:** In this camp you have to be able to ride a bike!

**Info:** [www.awo-erlebnishof-beeskow.de/erlebnishof/unser-hof.html](http://www.awo-erlebnishof-beeskow.de/erlebnishof/unser-hof.html)

**VJF 2.3 Never Forget #1 What happened in Sachsenhausen?**

**VJF 2.4 Never Forget #2 What happened in Sachsenhausen?**

**VJF 2.5 Never Forget #3 What happened in Sachsenhausen?**

**learn about NS-history**

**Dates:** 2020-06-29 – 2020-07-18 (VJF 2.3, VJF2.4), 2020-08-10 – 2020-08-30 (VJF 2.5)

STUDY/ENVI

15 vols (18-26 years)

**Location:** Oranienburgm Berlin 33km

**Terminal:** Berlin

**Background:** Sachsenhausen was one of the earliest concentration camps in Germany, built in 1936. For example, German people who were in opposition to Nazi policy, homosexuals, so-called asocials, criminals, Jews, and during the war especially people from occupied countries were imprisoned, forced to work and a lot of them were murdered.

Between 1945 and 1950 a part of this area was used as a so-called Special Camp of the Soviet Secret Service. Now it is a place for studies and to commemorate the victims: the memorial site GEDENKSTAETTE AND MUSEUM *Sachsenhausen* (Memorial and Museum Sachsenhausen). Please inform yourself before the camp!

**Study part:** The main part will be the study component. Volunteers will learn a lot about the time of National Socialism, the Holocaust and also something about the period after World War II especially the Soviet camp Sachsenhausen until 1950. Guided tours in and around the memorial site Sachsenhausen and excursions to different memorials and places of earlier German history are planned. Volunteers will have the opportunity to work in the exhibitions and in the library of the memorial site. Furthermore, there will be several discussions with employees, who perform guided tours and are involved in historical research. The international volunteers with their different backgrounds will inform the group about the memories and commemoration in their countries.

**Work part:** Although the main task will be studies of history, manual work like gardening, maintenance work and cleaning-up of specific areas of the memorial are planned.

**Accommodation:** You will live in a youth hostel in multi-bed rooms with own bathroom. The camps in June will cook for themselves, the camp in August will have catering.

**Special Requirements:** You need to be able to ride a bike and to have good English skills. **A motivation letter - specific to this project - is required!**

**Info:** [www.sachsenhausen-sbg.de/en](http://www.sachsenhausen-sbg.de/en), Facebook @[SachsenhausenMemorial](https://www.facebook.com/SachsenhausenMemorial), Instagram @[sachsenhausen.memorial](https://www.instagram.com/sachsenhausen.memorial)

**VJF 2.7 Never Forget #4 What happened in Ravensbrueck?  
meet survivors & make Sound**

**Date:** 2020-08-09 – 2020-08-23

STUDY/ARTS/RENO

15 vols (18-26 years)

**Location:** Fuerstenberg/Havel

**Terminal:** Berlin

**Study part:** In this year, the project in Ravensbrueck will continue to connect practical work and study with youth meetings.

In the memorial, there are many possibilities to read about the history of the women's concentration camp and about the background of fascism. Volunteers can use materials from the library and the archives in different languages. A main topic for the study part will be the special camp, where the participants work.

VJF-group will also participate in the 16th RAVENSBRUECKER GENERATIONENFORUM, a meeting with former inmates from Israel, Hungary and England. You will parallel participate – in commemoration of Ravensbrueck – in the performance-project SOUND IN THE SILENCE. All participants are encouraged to join study groups on the topics of Creative Writing, Theatre, Dance and Sound, where they can develop creative content with others as a part of the performance. Your performance will include the fates of the time witnesses you will meet and will be presented in the GENERATIONENFORUM.

**Work part:** The group will do some maintaining work on the area of the womens concentration camp. There are many different tasks to be done: cleaning the area of wild growing vegetation, environmental work and investigation work. Your help will be needed to clean sculptures, to prepare a working site and to do other works outside.

**Accommodation:** You will live in a youth hostel near the Ravensbrueck memorial. The rooms are very comfortable, a maximum of 4 persons will live in one room. Shower and toilets are next to the rooms. Bed linen will be provided.

**Special requirements:** For this Workcamp it is necessary to have very good English skills! **A motivation letter - specific to this project - is required!**

**Info:** [www.ravensbrueck-sbg.de](http://www.ravensbrueck-sbg.de), @gedenkstaette\_ravensbrueck,  
@GedenkstaetteRavensbrueck

**VJF 2.8 Camp for Nature Lovers #2**

**VJF 2.9 Camp for Nature Lovers #3**

**digital detox & foresting on Liepnitz Island**

**Dates:** 2020-07-06 – 2020-07-17(VJF 2.8), 2020-08-10 – 2020-08-21 (VJF 2.9)

ENVI/CONS

10 vols (18-26 years)

**Location:** Liepnitzinsel/Wandlitz, Bernau/ bei Berlin 15 km

**Terminal:** Berlin

**Work:** The main works will be done in the wood. The volunteers will do various environmental works as well as renovation and construction works on the island and in the forests around the island. Possible tasks are removing bushes and invasive small tree species, collecting rubbish and wood, repairing works and so on. Volunteers should be prepared to be flexible and take part in any work that will support the foresters.

**Accommodation:** Your accommodation will be very basic. You will sleep in three large tents on camp beds. The infrastructure on the island is very basic without electricity and warm water, not even a warm shower. There is no heating in the tents and on the island you have to use compost toilets. Even in summer, nights can be very cold. Please bring warm cloths and underwear with you and take care, your sleeping bag is warm enough (or bring an additional blanket). The accommodation is quite isolated so volunteers should come with ideas about how to entertain themselves in the evenings! The foresters of the project have built a nice and comfortable block house where the group will meet and eat

**Special remarks:** The island is very isolated, and you have to be a real nature lover to participate in this project. You must use the ferry (and it stops running about 8 p.m.) and will row a boat every day. Please be prepared to not be able to visit Berlin very often! On the island live many permanent campers during the summer. Please respect them.

**Special requirements:** You must be able to swim!

**Info:** [www.liepnitzinsel.de](http://www.liepnitzinsel.de)

## Workcamps in Berlin

**VJF 3.1 Deutsch-Camp #1**

**VJF 3.2 Deutsch-Camp #2**

**explore language and capital**

**Termine:** 2020-03-23 – 2020-04-03, 2020-10-12 – 2020-10-23

LANG

12 vols (18-26 years)

**Sprache:** Deutsch

**Ort/ Naechster Flughafen/ Bahnhof:** Berlin

**Teilnahmegebuehr:** 120 € für das Honorar der Lehrkraft (zu zahlen am Anreisetag)

**Zugang:** geeignet für Rollstuhlfahrende

**Studienteil:** Die Gruppe wird von einer ausgebildeten Lehrkraft 3-4 Stunden am Vormittag Deutschunterricht erhalten. Es werden Grammatik und Kommunikation vertieft, je nach Wunsch und Bedarf der Teilnehmer. In der Freizeit sind Exkursionen durch Berlin und in die naehere Umgebung geplant. Es ist vorgesehen, dass die Teilnehmer auch in der Freizeit Deutsch miteinander kommunizieren werden, um den Unterrichtsstoff zu vertiefen.

**Unterbringung:** Die Teilnehmenden werden in beheizbaren Bungalows auf dem Gelaende der Projekt- und Begegnungsstaette schlafen. In den Bungalows gibt es ein separates Bad mit Dusche und WC. Es werden maximal 6 maennliche oder weibliche Teilnehmende in einem Bungalow wohnen. Bettwaesche bekommst du im Objekt, du brauchst keinen Schlafsack mitbringen. In einer kleinen Küche bereitet die Gruppe ihr Essen selbst zu.

**Voraussetzungen:** Dieser Kurs ist fuer absolute Beginner ungeeignet, es sollten bereits Sprachkenntnisse (Minimum: A2) vorhanden sein.

**Info:** [www.vjf.de/Begegnungsstaette](http://www.vjf.de/Begegnungsstaette), [www.vjf.de](http://www.vjf.de)

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**Language:** German

**Location/Terminal:** Berlin

**Extra-Fee:** 120 € for the duty of the teacher (to be paid on the arrival)

**Accessibility:** appropriate for wheel chair user

**Study part:** The Group will have German lessons by a German teacher 3-4 hours in the morning. You will get the opportunity to deepen your knowledge in communication and grammar, depending on your needs and wishes. In the free time excursions to Berlin and its surrounding area are planned. You are asked to communicate only in German in your leisure time to deepen your new learned skills.

**Accommodation:** You will live in heated bungalows with up to 6 girls or boys on the ground of the place where you will have the language course. In the bungalows you will find your own bathroom with a shower and WC. You will get bed linen, there is no need to bring a sleeping bag with you. You will have the chance to prepare your own meals in a small kitchen at the centre.

**Special Requirements:** This course is meant for participants who have already some German skills (minimum A2).

**Info:** [www.vjf.de/Begegnungsstaette](http://www.vjf.de/Begegnungsstaette), [www.vjf.de](http://www.vjf.de)

**VJF 3.3 Berlin Spring**

**VJF 3.4 Berlin Still Spring**

**winter sleep is over – wake up our project and meeting center**

**Dates:** 2020-04-06 – 2020-04-17 / 2020-05-04 – 2020-05-15

MANU/RENO

10 vols (18-26 years)

**Location/Terminal:** Berlin

**Work:** During this camp, we need to prepare our project and meeting centre for the next workcamp season. The centre needs cleaning works like raking dead leaves, cleaning the yard or piling up the leaves. In case of bad weather, the dining hall also needs some

renovation. Other small tasks during the camp may include maintaining or renovation works inside and outside.

**Accommodation:** You will live in heated bungalows with up to 6 girls or boys on the ground of our project and meeting center, the place where you will work. In the bungalows you will find your own bathroom with a shower and WC. You will get bed linen, there is no need to bring a sleeping bag with you. You will have the chance to prepare your own meals in a small kitchen.

**Special Requirements:** none

**Info:** [www.vjf.de/Begegnungsstaette](http://www.vjf.de/Begegnungsstaette), [www.vjf.de](http://www.vjf.de)

### **VJF 3.5 Drum Festival RATAK & Youth Club MAXIM build-up, do music, be creative**

**Date:** 2020-06-15 – 2020-07-04

FEST/RENO

15 vols (18-26 years)

**Location/Terminal:** Berlin

**Work:** During the first week, you will help to prepare and run an international drumming festival for children, youngsters and families called RAKATAK. It will be run 16th July 2019. In the previous years, 7000 visitors were present at the festival. Your help will be needed to prepare, to run and afterwards to clean the site.

Another task of this project will take place during the 2nd week in the youth club MAXIM. The main work will be designing the façade of the youth club. Your help will be also needed to renovate and maintain the building and its surrounding grounds, like painting inside or outside, digging, gardening in the climate garden or re/constructing.

Please be prepared for hard physical work from time to time!

**Accommodation:** During the festival time you will sleep on your foam mattress in your sleeping bag, so please do not forget them! In the youth club, there will be 2 rooms available. You will sleep on the floor on a mattress in your sleeping bag. Your quarters will be very modest, but of course, there is a kitchen and bathrooms. However, the youth club is a nice place to work, live and party.

**Special requirements:** You must be able to ride a bike! **A motivation letter is required.**

**Infos:** [www.rakatak.de](http://www.rakatak.de), [www.im-maxim.de](http://www.im-maxim.de)

### **VJF 3.6 Remember the Spanish Civil War learn about brigadistas 1936-39**

**Date:** 2020-08-23 – 2020-09-04

RENO/STUDY

12 vols (18-26 years)

**Location/Terminal:** Berlin

**Background:** You will work and spend your free time closely together with the KAEMPFER UND FREUNDE DER SPANISCHEN REPUBLIK 1936-1939 E.V. (KFSR), an Association of Survivors of the Spanish Civil war, their children, grandchildren and their friends. The International Brigades in Spain in the time 1936-39 were supported by many nationalities and the KFSR is active to foster and cherish the memories of the volunteers from different countries, who travelled to Spain in order to fight for the Second Spanish Republic in the Spanish Civil War.

**Work:** You will work on FRIEDRICHSFELDE CENTRAL CEMETERY, where, among many others, survivors of the Spanish Civil War and their families are buried. Your first task is writing down the names, which can be read on the gravestones. If they are not readable anymore, you will help to clean them and to paint over the names under professional guidance.

**Study Part:** Besides the work on the cemetery, you will go on a guided tour through the Cemetery, which is not only a cemetery, but also a park. You will meet and talk to descendants of former Brigadists, go on a guided antifascist city walk, have a reading and discussion with Victor Grossman and other persons. We ask you to be open to the topic.

**Accommodation:** You will live in heated bungalows with up to 6 girls or boys. The bungalows are equipped with a bathroom. You will get bed linen, there is no need to bring a sleeping bag with you.

**Special Requirements:** A motivation letter - specific to this project - is required.

**Info:** [www.kfsr.info/?lang=en](http://www.kfsr.info/?lang=en), [www.en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Second\\_Spanish\\_Republic](http://www.en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Second_Spanish_Republic), [www.en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Spanish\\_Civil\\_War](http://www.en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Spanish_Civil_War)

### **VJF 3.7 Nature-Photo-Camp photography about environmental changing**

**Date:** 2020-06-02 – 2020-06-12

ART/ENVI

12 vols (18-26 years)

**Location/Terminal:** Berlin

**Project:** Berlin is one of Europes greenest capitals. The GRUEN BERLIN GROUP makes a major contribution to designing Berlins urban landscapes in projects ranging from the Berlin Wall Memorial to the KULTURFORUM, from the PARK AM GLEISDREIECK to the GAERTEN DER WELT to information systems for tourists. They are a state-owned group of companies responsible for developing, executing and operating complex schemes in open spaces, as well as for a wide range of projects and parks in the German capital that are essential to both residents and tourists. Sustainable park and operations management seeks to meet both the needs of various visitor groups and the parks' many technical requirements. With



the UMWELTBILDUNGSZENTRUM KIENBERGPARK they have a learning center for sustainable development. Local people can learn in the rooms of the center, gardens, meadows and a lagoon. The center organizes educational projects for kindergartens and schools and a program for families, adults and youth centers about the topics nature and environment, gardens and plants, world and knowledge, feeding and health, art and media.

**Work:** In this project volunteers will be part of the project MEINE (UM)WELT IM WANDEL about environmental changes. Other local groups of kids, teens, students and professional photographers will also participate in this project. In exciting workshops they will learn about photography and environment. In the end 4-5 exhibitions will be created, one will be done by the workcamp. Volunteers will support our project partner GRUEN BERLIN, UMWELTBILDUNGSZENTRUM KIENBERG to run a festivity on 6th June and to promote it. In the past a similar workcamp was done there. Get an impression here: [www.youtu.be/pDneAQELBVM](http://www.youtu.be/pDneAQELBVM)

**Accommodation:** You will live in a hostel in shared bed-rooms with own bathroom near the place you will work. Bed linen will be provided.. The group will cook together.

**Special Requirements:** Volunteers need an own camera, minimum a good smartphone and should have great interest some previous knowledge about photography. People, who study photography or environmental topics are very welcome.

**Info:** [www.gruen-berlin.de](http://www.gruen-berlin.de), <http://www.gruen-berlin.de/kienbergpark/umweltbildungszentrum>, [www.pro-social.de](http://www.pro-social.de)

### **VJF 3.8 CCIVS Event Camp logistic support for a conference and assembly**

**Date:** 2020-11-20 – 2020-13-04

FEST

7 vols (18-26 years)

**Location/Terminal:** Berlin

**Background:** VJF is member of several umbrella organisations. One of them is the COORDINATING COMMITTEE FOR INTERNATIONAL VOLUNTARY SERVICE (CCIVS), which is a non-governmental, non-profit making international organization (INGO) working for the development and coordination of voluntary service worldwide.

CCIVS main focus is the quest to achieve change in the minds of men and women by bringing together people of different backgrounds. It supports and develops projects based on the idea that working together on a concrete task is the most effective way of creating international friendship and understanding. The projects serve as a catalyst for dialogue as they provide an opportunity to work together according to each person's ability and to practice living together. In such situations national and international volunteers experience a new reality which can challenge their habits and convictions as well as those of the local community.

For having face-to-face exchange CCIVS has several events through the year. VJF is hosting two of them this year: the general conference (24.-26.11.) and general assembly (28.-

30.11.). The General Assembly is the highest governing body of CCIVS. Around 120 people from all over the world will come to Berlin for networking and making important decisions. By the way VJF was founded in 1990 and we will have a big 30th birthday celebration between these CCIVS events (27.11.)

**Work part:** The volunteers help is needed for logistic support before, during and after the events. Please be open for any kind of work, because all the details cannot be foreseen. We need help with the info papers, welcoming participants and give them orientation in the accomodation and with the programme , deal with the technical equipment, take care about the departure and more. One possible task can be to make the photo documentation and also producing a little docu-video (like in 2016: [www.youtu.be/dFHOni6FDoo](http://www.youtu.be/dFHOni6FDoo)).

**Accomodation:** Will be announced later.

**Special Requirements:** If some volunteers have their own camera and some knowledge about photography or video, it is helpful, but not necessary.

**Info:** [www.ccivs.org](http://www.ccivs.org)

## Workcamps in Sachsen

**VJF 5.1 KiEZ Am Filzteich  
beautification of the kids and teens recreation center**

**Date:** 2020-09-28 – 2020-10-16

RENO/ENVI

15 vols (18-26 years)

**Location:** Schneeberg, Aue, Chemnitz

**Terminal:** Leipzig, Dresden, Berlin

**Area:** The KiEZ AM FILZTEICH is situated at the shore of the Lake AM FILZTEICH in the mountains of the picturesque ERZGEBIRGE in the south of Germany. The nearest town is Schneeberg. The KiEZ is a recreation centre for children and teenagers.

You will live and work in a place with many childrens groups.

**Work:** International volunteers are invited to improve the grounds of the centre. Tasks are likely to include construction, gardening, maintenance and renovation works. It is planned to maintain the playground equipment, especially big climbing frames, which includes removing rust and painting it twice. Other environmental and construction works are possible. Please be aware that you will not work with children!

**Accommodation:** You will live in a house, in multi-bed rooms. Bed linen will be provided. The sanitary track with showers, WC and a living room will be on the same floor as your room. Food will be provided.

**Special Requierenments:** none

**Info:** [www.kiezschneeberg.de](http://www.kiezschneeberg.de), [www. erzgebirge.de](http://www. erzgebirge.de)

**VJF 5.2 Jewish Graveyard  
reconstruct the mortuary**

**Date:** 2020-09-04 –2020-09-19

ARCH/STUDY

15 vols (18-26 years)

**Location:** Zittau

**Terminal:** Dresden, Prague, Berlin

**Background:** From the end of the 19th century, large numbers of Jews from Eastern Europe on their way to the West stopped over in Zittau. A cemetery was established in 1887 and a synagogue was consecrated in 1906. On the KRISTALLNACHT (9-10 November 1938) the synagogue and the mortuary at the cemetery were destroyed by the Nazis.

**Work:** A previous workcamp did archeological works on the Jewish cemetery of the town, to excavate the foundation walls of the mortuary. This year reconstruction of the hall needs to be continued. Volunteers will also work on a concept for signs for visitors. Please be prepared for working only outside!

**Accommodation:** You will sleep in a place nearby the working place, on the site of the small Zoo of Zittau. You will have two dormitories, a community room, a well equipped kitchen and sanitary facilities. The accommodation is a quiet and picturesque place with lots of spaces. The volunteers will cook all together.

**Special Requirements:** You will work on a Jewish cemetery, so boys should bring a headgear with them to cover their head during the working hours! Please be prepared for working only outside!

**Info:** [www.zittau.de/de](http://www.zittau.de/de) (Czech language available),  
[www.hillerschevilla.de/cms/de/327/Juedischer-Friedhof](http://www.hillerschevilla.de/cms/de/327/Juedischer-Friedhof)

## Workcamps in Thuringen

**VJF 6.1 Camp for Nature Lovers #4  
protect the nature in the forest of Jena**

**Date:** 2020-09-05 – 2020-09-19

ENVI

12 vols (18-26 years)

**Location:** Jena, Weimar 22km, Erfurt 44km

**Terminal:** Leipzig, Dresden, Berlin

**Work:** In the beginning, you will work with local foresters in the wood of Jena. You tasks will include various environmental works, e.g. maintaining footpaths, lookout points and

shelters. Your help will be needed for different nature protection projects. Please be prepared for environmental works to help the rangers only outside.

Afterwards, the volunteers will help the environmental organisation *Fuchsturmgesellschaft* to chop down trees for a better visibility and let a bright landscape appear from the way leading to the tower and maintenance work in the flora-fauna habitat. Your help might be needed in the Education Path, also huts need renovation or maintenance.

**Accommodation:** Volunteers will be accommodated in an isolated hostel on a hill in the Western part of Jena. Each room has 10 beds and your only neighbours will be the woodland animals.

**Special requirements:** This is a camp for nature lovers! Work can be physically challenging at times.

**Info:** [www.ksj.jena.de/sixcms/detail.php?id=84390&\\_nav\\_id1=84355](http://www.ksj.jena.de/sixcms/detail.php?id=84390&_nav_id1=84355), [www.fuchsturm.de](http://www.fuchsturm.de)

### **VJF 6.2 Weisbach Village support the local community**

**Date:** 2020-07-01 – 2020-07-24

RENO

7 vols (18-26 years)

**Location:** Remptendorf/Weisbach, Jena 23km, Saalfeld 33km, Weimar 45km

**Terminal:** Leipzig, Dresden

**Area:** Weisbach is a very small village in the mountains of Thuringen, surrounded by beautiful countryside with mountains, green valleys, forests and meadows. A fortress was built on a hill near the village in the 11th century but it was destroyed during the following century. It has become overgrown with trees and bushes since then. Systematic excavations began in 1984.

Please be prepared to live and work in a very remote area!

**Work:** The volunteers are asked to help in the village of Weisbach. You will help the inhabitants with maintenance and construction works, like painting or building works. It is possible that your help will be need as well on the excavation ground of the fortress Wysburg or another place with building work, repairing and painting walls, carrying stones or cleaning. Other tasks can be removing of bushes, clearing paths, making signs etc.. Please be open and prepared for any work outside that will help the village and possibly another village of the area.

**Accommodation:** You will live in a community house in the village of Weisbach, with toilet and shower facilities. All bed linen is provided. The group will cook for themselves.

**Special Requirements:** none

**Info:** Pictures [www.weisbach.info/bilder/bilder-von-weisbach](http://www.weisbach.info/bilder/bilder-von-weisbach), [www.wysburg.de](http://www.wysburg.de)

### **VJF 6.3 (ESC) Never Forget #5 What happened in Buchenwald? learn about NS-history**

**Date:** 2020-08-09 – 2020-08-22

STUDY/RENO

20 vols (18-26 years)

**Location:** Weimar

**Terminal:** Leipzig or Berlin

**Study Part:** We will get to know more about the time of fascism, covering the areas of racism and neo-fascism. The responsible pedagogical assistant of the memorial will show you the camp, step-by-step, through different excursions. Moreover, you will watch documentary movies, and those who would like may work with materials of the library or the archive.

**Work:** The volunteers will work in the memorial of the former concentration camp of BUCHENWALD. You will do several jobs in the area of the memorial like cleaning, gardening and restoration in cooperation with the curators of the memorial and participate in an archaeological dig to find any artefacts relating to the prisoners. Your work will also include tending to the original remains of the former concentration camp in Buchenwald.

**Accommodation:** You will sleep in the Youth Centre building, situated on the area of the former concentration camp in rooms for 5 persons. Sanitary facilities including showers are available.

**Special requirements:** For this Workcamp it is necessary to have very good English skills! A motivation letter -specific to this project- is required!

**Info:** [www.buchenwald.de](http://www.buchenwald.de), Facebook [@buchenwaldmemorial](https://www.facebook.com/buchenwaldmemorial)

**Attention!** This project is applied as ESC-project. It will be published after it is granted.

### **VJF 6.4 Deutsch-Camp #3 protect flora and fauna with German people and families**

**Date:** 2020-09-08 – 2020-09-19

ENVI/LANGUAGE

7 vols (18-26 years)

**Location:** Wurzbach, Saalfeld 30 km, Weimar 59km, Erfurt 67km, Jena 90km

**Terminal:** Leipzig, Erfurt, Nuernberg

**Background:** Titschendorf is one of the places, which was at the previously border between the two former German countries. The nature there is unaffected. Lots of protected and rare plants and animals live there. This area is part of the so-called GREEN BELT, a nature project at an important historical place, a living monument of the border between GDR and Western Germany and a centurys-old border between principalities and kingdoms.

**Work:** Your workplace will be in the nature. The topic of this workcamp is to protect its unique flora and fauna. Volunteer should come prepared to take part in a range of outdoor environmental activities in the GREEN BELT. This is a project for absolutely nature lovers.

**Accommodation:** The holiday house ZUM ECHO is in Titschendorf, a district of Wurzbach. It has several rooms, bathroom, shower, kitchen and a huge living room. In Titschendorf are no supermarkets and there is no Wifi.

**Info:** [www.lpv-schiefergebirge.de](http://www.lpv-schiefergebirge.de), [www.erholung-im-echo.de](http://www.erholung-im-echo.de)

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**Ort:** Wurzbach/Titschendorf, Saalfeld 30 km, Weimar 59km, Erfurt 67km, Jena 90km

**Flughafen:** Leipzig, Erfurt, Nuernberg

**Hintergrund:** Titschendorf gehoert zu den Orten, die während der deutschen Teilung in der Grenzregion in der ehemaligen DDR lag. Aus diesem Grund blieb die Natur unberuehrt. Viele geschuetzte und seltene Pflanzen und Tiere konnten sich ungestoert entfalten. Das GRUENE BAND ist ein lebendiges Denkmal an die deutsch-deutsche Teilung sowie an die historische, jahrhundertealte Grenze zwischen Fuerstentuemern und Koenigreichen.

**Arbeit:** Die Gruppe wird am GRUENEN BAND in der Natur arbeiten und aktive Landschaftspflege betreiben: Handsensen-Workshop, die Mahd von Feucht- und Bergwiesen sowie das Entfernen von Gehoelzen und Heidepflege. Auch andere Umweltarbeiten sind moeglich.

**Unterkunft:** Das Ferienhaus ZUM ECHO ist in Titschendorf, einem Ortsteil der Gemeinde Wurzbach, Es hat verschiedene Raume, Bad und Dusche, Kueche und einen großen Gemeinschaftsraum. In Titschendorf gibt es keine Einkaufsmoeglichkeiten! Es gibt kein Internet!

**Anmerkungen:** Die Arbeit wird immer draussen sein und kann koerperlich anstrengend sein. Es werden weitere Teilnehmende aus Deutschland zum Camp kommen. Diese sind altersgemischt, auch Familien mit Kindern sind dabei. Du wirst also die Gelegenheit haben, viel Deutsch zu sprechen!

**Info:** [www.lpv-schiefergebirge.de](http://www.lpv-schiefergebirge.de), [www.erholung-im-echo.de](http://www.erholung-im-echo.de)

## Workcamps in Hessen

**VJF 7.1 Film Fest Weiterstadt**  
**build-up an international open-air movie festival**

**Date:** 2020-08-03 – 2020-08-20

FEST/RENO

12 vols (18-26 years)

**Location:** Weiterstadt, Darmstadt 9km, Frankfurt am Main 30km

**Terminal:** Frankfurt am Main

**Work:** The working hours may be sometimes more than 6h and weekend are also working days. That is why there will be a compensatory time-off in the first days of the camp. The volunteers will help to build-up the festival area with tents, light and sound equipment and decoration. The Open-Air Filmfest Weiterstadt runs from 13th until 17th August 2020. In these 5 days is also support needed: stay at the info point, keep the area clean, join the kitchen team and prepare food for guests and staff. Afterwards the participants will also help to re-build the area.

During the festival you will also get in touch with the international film makers and German locals. Of course, you will also have time to watch some movies. Stay tuned on the project partners homepage and fb-page to get informed about the programme.

**Accommodation:** The accommodation will be basic. The first days you will sleep in a school. Around 10<sup>th</sup> August you will move to the Festival area. You will sleep in tents, please bring a sleeping bag and a camping mat with you. Showers and toilets are in a building next to your accommodation. The festival area is near a forest. There can be bugs, bees and wasps! Food will be provided by the project partner and camp participants will join the kitchen team in rotation principle.

**Info:** [www.filmfest-weiterstadt.de](http://www.filmfest-weiterstadt.de), Facebook [@FilmfestWeiterstadt](https://www.facebook.com/FilmfestWeiterstadt), Instagram [@filmfestweiterstadt](https://www.instagram.com/filmfestweiterstadt)

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