

Join us for Deutsche Tage!

Saturday, June 8 | 11 AM to 9 PM | Sunday, June 9 | 11 AM to 5 PM

To celebrate the GAI's 30th anniversary as the premiere non-profit for Germanic language and cultural studies in the state of Minnesota, our two-day festival features authentic German and European food fare, Paulaner beer, music and traditional dance and fun for the whole family!

Highlights of 2024 include guests Pommersche Tanzdeel Freistadt to the grounds of the GAI for the first time in nearly ten years. Hailing from Western Ozaukee County, Wisconsin, the site of the oldest German settlement in the state, Pommersche Tanzdeel Freistadt was organized in 1977 to preserve the folk culture of their forefathers by performing songs and dances from the Pomeranian regions.

Join us to sip a Paulaner beer, German wine, or other beverage while tapping your toes to the Bavarian Musikmeisters and The Jolly Huntsman. Entertainment includes traditional dances, choral music, polka dance lessons, and more. German food and goods vendors and informational booths round out the experience.

The event is free. \$10 wristband and valid ID is required for alcohol purchase. **Learn more at gaimn.org/deutschetage-2024**









Save with our Presale Drink Package

Includes 0,5L Paulaner Weissbier glass filled with your choice of beer and a drink wristband good for both days! Sale ends June 6. \$22 (\$36 value)

Learn more at gaimn.org/ deutschetage-2024

EVENTS

JUNE 8+9 Deutsche Tage (German Days)

JUNE 11 Stammtisch Curbside

JUNE 12 Transatlantic Relations -Lunch & Learn

JUNE 15 Saturday Kaffee und Kuchen begins

JUNE 20 Spieleabend: Kubb

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Rhythms of the North: Opera on Tap

LEARN GERMAN

Adults

Summer Session registration open

Kids and Teens

Summer Camps registration open

GAI GRUPPEN

June 17 GAI Damenklub

June 19 Deutscher Sprachklub

A note from our Communications Team

With a mix of gratitude and anticipation, we share that our upcoming combined July/August newsletter with be our final print newsletter, as we look to transition our content to more accessible platforms. If you haven't already, you can subscribe to receive our bi-monthly e-newsletters at gaimn.org/newsletter. And watch for our new quarterly postcard in late Summer/early Fall!

UPCOMING EVENTS



Stammtisch Curbside June 11 | 11:30 AM-12 PM

Savor a home-cooked German *Mittagessen* every second Tuesday of the month. *Das Menü*: Rotisserie Chicken, potato salad, cucumber salad, carrot salad, and dessert.

Reservations are required by 3 PM Wednesday, June 5. Call the office at 651.222.7027 or e-mail office@gaimn.org to RSVP. \$14 per meal; cash only.



Transatlantic Relations - Lunch & Learn
June 12 | 11 AM-12:30 PM

Rainer Breul, head of the Political Department at the German Embassy in Washington, D.C., joins Irene Braam, Executive Director of the Bertelsmann Foundation, the GAI, and Global Minnesota for a talk on the US-German relationship and its impact on the transatlantic political order.

Learn more at gaimn.org/lunch-learn



Saturday Kaffee und Kuchen Weekly on Saturdays Starting June 15 | 9 AM-2 PM

A favorite summer tradition is back!
Stop by the Haus for coffee and a piece (or two) of home-made German cake or torte. This GAI Damenklub fundraiser is the best way to start your weekend! Learn more and see the Summer Schedule gaimn.org/kaffee-und-kuchen



June Spieleabend: Kubb Thursday, June 20 | 6:30-9 PM

Get ready to unleash your inner Viking! Our June Spieleabend is all about Kubb (Viking Chess). Partnering with St. Paul Kubb Society, we'll learn how to play and then put what we learned into action outside on the GAI lawn. All ages welcome—children 11 and under must be accompanied by an adult. Children 12 and older may be dropped off. Learn more at gaimn.org/kubb



Rhythms in the North: Opera on Tap Friday, June 21 | 6:30–8:30 PM

Join Opera on Tap Twin Cities on the GAI lawn for Rhythms in the North, featuring opera arias by local artists, in an *auf der Wiese* performance on the GAI Lawn. Opera on Tap's mission is to break down the stereotypes about opera and expose new audiences to opera and classical music by performing in non-traditional settings.

Rhythms in the North is a partnership event of Alliance Française and Douala Soul Collective to celebrate International Music Day, and bring live music to venues and spaces all throughout the Twin Cities.

Learn more about Opera on Tap at gaimn.org/opera-rhythms
View all the Rhythms in the North performances at rhythmsinthenorth.com

GAI GERMAN LANGUAGE PROGRAMS







Kinderstube Field Trip

Kinderstube German Immersion Preschool had their first field trip since 2019/2020 school year on May 17. Several volunteer parents and our director in Minneapolis arranged for many community helpers to bring their vehicles to the Mayflower Church parking lot so children could explore and ask questions. They were able to interact with a bus driver, a postal worker, firefighters, a police officer, a paramedic, and a recycling truck driver. It was a great event, and we look forward to more field trips next year!

Fall Openings at Kinderstube Minneapolis

There are only a few spots remaining at our Minneapolis Kinderstube location for 2024-2025! Families looking for quality preschool should look no further than the GAI's German Immersion Preschool. The Kinderstube program focuses on a social-emotional approach that offers play-based learning in a fun environment, while also preparing children for future academics. **Learn more at gaimn.org/kinderstube**

Summer session language classes

START 1 (A1.1) Summer Class

In-person, starting June 10 | 6:30-8:30 PM

Our A1.1 Beginner class is perfect for absolute beginners who are eager to kick off their journey to proficiency in German. Learn in a fun environment that focuses on communication and teaches important language skills for everyday life and contemporary professional aspects.

Learn more and register at gaimn.org/adults

SUMMER SESSION German classes

Summer Short Courses-Grammar and Conversation & Literature Classes begin July 9

Current students and those looking to improve their German skills over the summer are welcome to join our grammar or conversation & literature classes! Enjoy learning in a fun and relaxed atmosphere, online or at the Haus!

Learn more and register at gaimn.org/adults



German Summer Camps

Weekly camps offered July 8-August 9

Add a GAI German camp to your child's summer fun! Our half-day week long camps (with optional extended care) immerse campers in themes such as Musiktheater, Küchenexperimente, Spiel und Spass (Games and Fun), All Things Bauen, and more! German beginners to bilingual children are welcome. Register at gaimn.org/camps

AROUND THE HAUS

June Haus & Grounds

In June, instead of holding a regular work session, Haus & Grounds will support set-up and tear-down for Deutsche Tage. Set-up will be Friday, June 7 from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. Tear down will occur immediately following the event at 5 p.m. on Sunday June 11. We need your help! To volunteer, please find the sign-up link at gaimn.org/deutschetage-2024.

Haus & Grounds also meets every Thursday morning to keep up the gardens and make needed repairs. For more information, please contact Jim Gruetzman at jgruetzman@gaimn.org or the office at 651.222.7027



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Deutsche Tage Personal Sponsorship

Deutsche Tage is the anchor of the GAI's cultural programing and a cherished tradition for many.

Each year we rely on our Personal Sponsors to help us share Germanic culture with our region.

Please consider becoming a Personal Sponsor for \$100 per person. Along with recognition at the event, sponsors will get one free drink wristband, two free drink tickets and one free Aki's pretzel. Sponsors may mail a check or pay securely online at **gaimn.org/DTVIP**. Herzlichen Dank im voraus!



Join our crew of fun-loving and hard-working event volunteers. There are jobs for many interests and abilities—learn more by clicking on the volunteer link at **qaimn.org/deutschetage-2024**.



GAI Member Deals

Cirque du Soleil BAZZAR

Cirque du Soleil BAZZAR is coming to the Mall of America May 18–June 16. GAI Members can save up to 20% off select seats/dates, using the link at gaimn.org/membership

Waldmann Brewery and Wurstery

Buy one/get one beer at Waldmann Brewery and Wurstery—year round! One per member. Members must show their membership confirmation email/ letter with member ID and expiration date.

German Specialty Imports

Save 7% on credit card purchases or 10% on cash purchases year-round on authentic and imported German goods at German Specialty Imports in Prior Lake, Minnesota. Offer valid in-store only.

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