November 2007 Program



METROPOLITAN CLUB STUTTGART E.V.

Member of the 'Deutsch-Amerikanisches Zentrum' (DAZ)/James-F.-Byrnes-Institut e.V.

TUESDAY	Guided Tour Underground Air-Raid Shelter (Stuttgart-Feuerbach)	
October 30	In the 1920s, the German government recognized the danger of air-raids against cities and started (some years later) the construction of air-raid shelters.	
19:15 h	The lessons learned during the Second World War were that the inhabitants needed better protection against air-raids. During the Cold War, the German government built around 68,000 air-raid shelters for the citizens of Stuttgart.	
	The association Schutzbauten Stuttgart e.V. will introduce us to the history of the underground air-raid shelters in Stuttgart. We will visit one underground air-raid shelter in Stuttgart-Feuerbach. Meeting point will be at 19:15h at the U-Bahn-Station, Bahnhof Feuerbach. Admission: non-members 5€/ members free (the guided tour is in German).	
SUNDAY	Registration deadline: 29 October 2007 by e-mail to Peter.Walter@metclub.de, mobile 0173 800 18 28	
SUNDAT	Metropolitan Club @ Fest der Kulturen - November 11	
November 11 10:00–19:00 h	Many dozens of clubs representing the ethnic diversity of Stuttgart will be exhibiting and offering their native food and drink to sample. A wide range of music and dancing will be featured with the participants wearing their colorful traditional dress. You will have the pleasure of the feeling of visiting countless counties without the hassle of waiting in the airport! Any questions ? -> Georg.Mallebrein@metclub.de	
TUESDAY	International Get-Together	
November 13 19:30 h	Join us for our get-together to meet friends, for some good conversation and laughter. New guests are welcome. A table in Sophie's Brauhaus , Marienstraße 28, Stuttgart is reserved in the name of the Metropolitan Club. However, from past experience we can say that you just have to look out for the big friendly crowd. Please register by email : Dennis.ODonohue@metclub.de (by November 12th).	
THURSDAY	Egyptian Mummies - Immortality in the Land of the Pharaohs	
November 15	The exhibition provides a comprehensive overview of the development of mummification over a period of almost 4,000 years.	
19:20 h	This development stretches from the begining of the early Egyptian period to the end of the Coptic era. The exhibition could also be called "Mummies - The Dream of Eternal Life". We have obtained the services of an English speaking guide for this interesting exhibition. Please note that there are only 24 places available. First come first served. Costs for members EUR 5.00; non-members EUR 12.00 Reservations deadline is November 13. Please register by email edollywil@hotmail.com (Dolly Wilson, mobile 0170 958 9741)	
TUESDAY	Thanksgiving Dinner @ Patch Baracks	
November 20 6:30h	The Deutsch-Amerikanisches-Zentrum organizes a Thanksgiving Dinner (Roast Turkey of course !!!) in the Swabian Special Events Center of the Patack Baracks in Stuttgart-Vaihingen. Deadline for registration and payment is November 9 th for this American holiday traditional feast. More information you will get at the DAZ, phone 0711/22818-0. Cost: 32€ per person	
MONDAY	No program of the Metropolitan Club. We recommend the following DAZ program: Literaturverfilmung: The Portrait of a Lady	
November 26 19:30 h	von Henry James Vortrag /Diskussion mit Dr. Stefan Winter Die filmische Adaption einer literarischen Vorlage kann nur sehr entfernt den Text übernehmen. Die Konzentration auf dramatische Höhepunkte hin, die manchmal einfache Herausarbeitung der Hauptfiguren auf wenige Charakterzüge und eine oft genauere Darstellung im szenographischen Bereich (Bühnenbild, Natur, Kostüme) lassen den Film durchaus als eigenständiges Kunstwerk bestehen. Ein Beharren auf die exakte Umsetzung vom Buchstaben zur Leinwand ist dementsprechend illusorisch. Allerdings muss sich die Frage auch stellen lassen, ob nicht mit dem Genuss der Kinoversion die Lektüre vermieden wird. – In unserer neuen Reihe wird Dr. Stefan Winter von der Filmhochschule Potsdam-Babelsberg jeden Monat eine Literaturverfilmung diskutieren. Wir beginnen diese Reihe mit der Verfilmung von Henry James' Meisterwerk "The Portrait of a Lady". Der Film wird am Dienstag, 27. November in der Originalfassung gezeigt. Ort: Deutsch-Amerikanisches-Zentrum (DAZ), Charlottenplatz 17, Stuttgart (see next page for location)	

TUESDAY	No program of the Metropolitan Club. We recommend the following DAZ program: FILMWORKSHOP: The Portrait of a Lady (1996, OV, 142 min.)
November 27 19:00 h	Directed by Jane Campion, the great and evident artistry shapes this film version of the Henry James novel The Portrait of a Lady, starring Nicole Kidman as Isabel Archer and a devilishly evil John Malkovich as Gilbert Osmond. For the bilingual amongst you: don't miss Dr. Winter's lecture in German on this film adaptation on November 26! Take place at Deutsch-Amerikanisches-Zentrum (DAZ), Charlottenstr. 17, Stuttgart (see below for location)

>>> Please check on our homepage to verify that a program is actually taking place <<<

Highlights of coming months:

Yearly Member Meeting of the Metropolitan Club (December 4, 19:30 h @ DAZ conference room)

Please join all of your fellow members for a review of this past year's activities and to discuss the coming year. Elections will be held for Board positions of President, Vice-President, Treasurer and Secretary. Other Board positions, such a Program Manager, Publicity Manager and Web-Master will be appointed. Anyone interested in joining the Board please contact Dennis.ODonohue@metclub.de . It is essential that we have a quorum of members for the election so please attend if possible.

CHRISTMAS PARTY (December 8)

It is time again for our traditional Christmas party! We will meet for the walk in front of the restaurant "Wiedmanns Waldstuben" and start with a pleasant walk around Degerlach at 15:00 h, which is organised by Georg - please bring a hot drink and a mug! Those who cannot make it for the walk can join a little later. From 16:30 h onwards we will have our Christmas party. Please bring a wrapped gift (€5-8!) to exchange with others. In order to make sufficient reservations at the restaurant, please let us know if you will come: Georg.Mallebrein@metclub.de

Wiedmanns Waldstuben, Guts-Muths-Weg 10, Stuttgart-Waldau

Sikkim - The Switzerland of the Himalayas (December 11, 19:30 h @DAZ conference room)

In 1975 Sikkim became officially the 22nd state of the Indian union after a referendum of the Sikkimese people. Before joining the Indian state Sikkim was a kingdom with domestic autonomy, but India was in charge of foreign affairs. Sikkim has a strong economic growth due to tourism and hydro power. Therefore Sikkim is striving to become the 'Switzerland of the Himalayan'. Matthias saw these words on a billboard during his trip to Sikkim in April. He will show you some slides showing the life of the Sikkimese people, its nature and buddhistic monastries. The third highest mountain on earth, which is called Kanchenjunga, can be seen from many places in Sikkim. To get a view of this giant mountain is not so easy as it appears. Matthias also spend some days in the region of Darjeeling which is very famous for its tea gardens. You will see how Darjeeling tea is produced.

Tschengla (Austria) week-end – December 21-23 (week-end)

Join us for a week-end in the Vorarlberg region - hopefully with lots of snow ! We will leave Stuttgart on Friday afternoon/evening for 1.5 days of sking, sledging and snow hiking. You may also try snow shoes. In the evening we will cook together and enjoy a big meal.

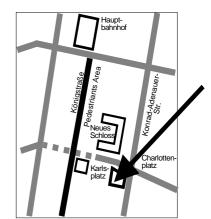
We stay at "Schwabenhaus" - a blockhouse at 1200m elevation, 5min walk from ski-lift with self-catering facilities. Please bring your own bed sheets and some food for yourself and some to share for the big Saturday dinner. Drinks are provided. Price for accommodation: 16€ per night. This year we will travel with our own cars to Tschengla. Götz will organize car-pooling. Please register a.s.a.p. with Götz Stelzenmüller by sending him an e-mail.

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ABOUT THE METROPOLITAN CLUB

We are:	A German-American club with international membership.
The members:	People from all walks of life, especially between 18 and 35.
Club language:	English for all official programs.
Activities:	Cultural and social activities, fun and entertainment, weekend trips and whatever you suggest. The members and their ideas keep the club alive.
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HOW TO FIND US



The programs marked "DAZ" (Deutsch-Amerikanisches Zentrum), are at Charlottenplatz 17 (Amadeus Building). To get there, enter the courtyard of the complex from the side facing the "Altes Schloss", turn right to entrance 3 at the round tower in the courtyard corner, go up the stairs to the top floor.

In case of an accident, neither the Metropolitan Club Stuttgart nor the organizers of events assume any responsibility. The Metropolitan Club will also take no responsibility for accidents at transportation from or to club events.

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