

LUTHER!

95 TREASURES

95 PEOPLE

LUTHERHAUS/AUGUSTEUM, LUTHERSTADT WITTENBERG

In September 1508, Augustinian monk Martin Luther made his first trip to Wittenberg - the place that would become the most important center of his activities for the next 35 years. It is here that he lectured to students from all over Europe, here that he wrote the texts that changed the world. Above all, it is the place where Martin Luther posted his world famous theses, catalyzing the Reformation. The real center of the reformer's life and work was undoubtedly the Lutherhaus [Luther House] with its authentic Lutherstube [Luther Room], where Luther's table talks took place. The exhibition not only sheds light on Luther's family life with wife Katharina von Bora, it also features an impressive presentation of his reformational activities, complete with Bible prints, manuscripts, Cranach paintings, and much more. Where else could you be closer to Martin Luther than here?



Martin Luther's memorial in front of the Historic Townhall

The exhibition focuses on the main event commemorated by this anniversary: Luther's posting of his theses on October 31, 1517 - an act that defined an epoch. The exhibition follows Luther on his path leading to his reformational breakthrough, drawing attention to the historical and personal moments that paved the way for this profound intervention. "95 Treasures" - featuring extraordinary exhibits from young Luther's surroundings around the time he posted his Theses - traces the path of a young monk named Luder, later known as the world-changing Luther. It explores the question who was this person actually that trailblazed the Reformation and what motivated his actions.

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Melanchthon Memorial on the market square



Schloßkirche



Stadtkirche



500 Jahre Reformation - 500 Bäume in Wittenberg
 In Vorbereitung auf das 500-jährige Jubiläum der Reformation wird auf dem Platz vor dem alten Rathaus in Wittenberg ein Luthergarten angelegt. An diesem werden 500 verschiedene Bäume und Sträucher aus allen Welt- und allen Konfessionen übermäßig eine Patenschaft über mehr als 500 Bäume im Luthergarten und an weiteren Standorten im Stadtgebiet und pfanzent gleichzeitig einen Baum in ihrer Heimatkirche. Auf diese Weise wird ein weltweites ökumenisches Netz gespannt und es werden Zeichen der Verbundenheit und Kooperation der Kirchen untereinander gesetzt. Somit gelten Impulse für die Stadt, die Region, das Land und insbesondere für die ganze Welt mit. Das Projekt wird vom Lutherischen Weltbund, seinem Deutschen Nationalkomitee und der Lutherstadt Wittenberg realisiert.

500 years of Reformation - 500 trees in Wittenberg
 The Luther Garden is being created on the site in preparation for the 500th anniversary of the Reformation in 2017. At the center of the garden is an area in the shape of a Luther Rose, with trees from 500 different countries around the world planted in each of the five petals. Some parts will symbolically lead to their home in the world. On both sides of the path, rows of various species and different sizes from every continent will be planted. Churches and church organizations of all denominations from around the world and at other locations in Wittenberg, Wittenberg, in addition, they will place a memorial tree in their home church, creating a global ecological network as a sign of solidarity and cooperation among the churches. As a result, this project will be significant in the city of Wittenberg, the region, the country and the world. The project is being carried out by the Lutheran World Federation and its German National Committee in cooperation with Lutherstadt Wittenberg.



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