



Until 6 April 2025

Art exhibition: ILLUSION **Dream - Identity - Reality**

This extensive exhibition sheds light on the subject of illusion from the art of the Old Masters to the present day. It shows that illusion is far more than just an illusion of the eye. Over 150 works illustrate hyperrealism, reality, fiction, dreams and deception.

Hamburger Kunsthalle Glockengießerwall 5 20095 Hamburg https://hamburgerkunsthalle.de/de/en



Until 4 May 2025

Art exhibition: FRANZ GERTSCH Blow up. A retrospective

The retrospective exhibition of the Swiss artist Franz Gertsch (1930-2022) presents a comprehensive overview of works from more than 60 years of artistic creation. Gertsch achieved worldwide fame with his oversized paintings and woodcuts.

Deichtorhallen Hamburg Deichtorstraße 1 - 2 20095 Hamburg https://www.deichtorhallen.de/en



Until 6 July 2025

Art exhibition: I.M POSSIBLE **Everything is allowed!**

The MK&G presents around 20 exhibits by internationally renowned designers such as Vivienne Westwood, Martin Margiela and Iris van Herpen, whose work breaks with the classic ideal of design in the fashion industry.

Museum für Kunst und Gewerbe Hamburg Steintorplatz 20099 Hamburg https://www.mkg-hamburg.de/en



Until the end of 2025

Art exhibition: Pipi's dad and a really true story from the Pacific

The exhibition highlights the parallels between the fictional world of Pippi Langstrumpf and the life of the Swede Carl Pettersson. It invites children and families to playfully reflect on German colonialism and its traces in children's literature.

MARKK - Museum am Rothenbaum. Kulturen und Künste der Welt Rothenbaumchaussee 64 20148 Hamburg https://markk-hamburg.de/en















Until 19 January 2025

Art exhibition: FLOWERS. FOREVER. Flowers in art and culture

The Bucerius Kunst Forum invites you with "Flowers Forever. Flowers in Art and Culture", on a fascinating tour through the cultural history of flowers from antiquity to the present day - an experience that will appeal to art and science enthusiasts alike.

Bucerius Kunst Forum Am Wall 12 20457 Hamburg https://www.buceriuskunstforum.de /en



28 February -26 October 2025

Art exhibition: Glitter

Glitter is everywhere, but the MK&G is the first museum in the world to dedicate an exhibition to it. Around 40 works of art and design by international artists show glitter as a symbol of visibility, belonging and resistance - from social movements to pop culture.

Museum für Kunst & Gewerbe Hamburg Steintorplatz 20099 Hamburg https://www.mkg-hamburg.de/en



8 March - 19 April 2025

Italian Opera Weeks

The Italian Opera Weeks have been one of the highlights in spring for years and will offer an unrivalled experience in 2025 with seven operas on 29 evenings. This year's highlights include the debuts of Gregory Kunde, Olga Peretyatko and Katharina Konradi as well as the premiere of Maria Stuarda.

Hamburgische Staatsoper Dammtorstraße 28 20354 Hamburg https://www.staatsoperhamburg.de/en



Until 9 March 2025 (Wednesdays to Sundays)

Cornelia Poletto PALAZZO

Take contemporary acrobatics, brilliant comedy and a great live band and spice it all up with a delicious 4-course menu from Hamburg's top chef Cornelia Poletto - welcome to the PALAZZO Extravaganza!

Spiegelpalast an den Deichtorhallen Deichtorstraße 1 20095 Hamburg https://www.palazzo.org/hamburg/ de/















21 March - 21 April 2025

Spring DOM – Folk festival with tradition

The Hamburg DOM takes place three times a year, in spring, summer and winter! It is considered the largest public festival in the north and attracts millions of visitors. Over 200 showmen offer attractions, rollercoasters and nostalgic rides for the whole family on the 1.6 kilometre-long DOM mile.

Hamburger Dom Heiligengeistfeld Feldstraße 20359 Hamburg https://www.hamburg.de/visitors/dom



1 April 2025

ABBAMANIA THE SHOW & Orchester & Band

It is the biggest ABBA tribute show in the world and has been thrilling fans in Germany, Austria and Switzerland for over ten years. The Symphonic Rock Orchestra and an original ABBA band musician bring the original flair of the world's most famous group back to life.

Barclays Arena Hellgrundweg 44 22525 Hamburg https://www.barclays-arena.de/



26 April 2025

22nd Long Night of Museums Hamburg

On the Long Night of Museums, culture enthusiasts can discover over 50 exhibitions and special programmes in Hamburg with just one ticket. In addition to guided tours, workshops and a children's programme, events in various languages ensure an unforgettable experience.

Museumsdienst Hamburg Glockengießerwall 5 A 20095 Hamburg https://www.langenachtdermuseenhamburg.de/english



27 April 2025

Haspa Marathon Hamburg

Germany's largest spring marathon leads through the most beautiful corners of the city and inspires with a unique atmosphere Marathon Hamburg Carl-Cohn-Str. 71 22297 Hamburg https://haspa-marathonhamburg.de/en/















1 May - 5 June 2025

Hamburg International Music Festival

The Hamburg International Music Festival 2025 focuses on the topic of "the future" and the development of classical music. It presents high-calibre guests such as the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, London Symphony Orchestra and soloists such as Lisa Batiashvili and Igor Levit. A special highlight is the celebration of Pierre Boulez's 100th birthday.

Elbphilharmonie Platz der Deutschen Einheit 4 20457 Hamburg https://www.elbphilharmonie.de/en/



9 - 11 May 2025

836th Hamburg Port Anniversary

Every year, Hamburg Port Anniversary opens with a grand entry parade. When tugboats dance ballet on the Elbe, this is the only place in the world where you can experience it. Watching ships from the inside and outside at the "Open Ship" event makes many a light sailor dream of the seven seas. Along the colourful harbour mile, you can enjoy music and culinary delights, from typical fish sandwiches to delicious cocktails.

From UNESCO Worldheritage Speicherstadt to the Landungsbrücken https://www.hamburgtourism.de/sehenerleben/veranstaltungen/hafengebur tstag-hamburg/



17 - 24 May 2025

HAMBURG OPEN

The Hamburg Open is a major men's tournament that takes place on the clay courts of the Rothenbaum tennis stadium. In addition to world-class players, it also attracts up-and-coming talent.

Tennisstadion am Hamburger Rothenbaum Hallerstraße 20149 Hamburg https://hamburgopenatp500.com/



26 - 27 May 2025

Stadtfest St. Georg

District culture, culinary delights, fun and games for the little ones and a varied stage programme - all this is on offer at the St. Georg 2025 city festival. District choirs and up-and-coming bands provide musical variety on Lange Reihe.

St. Georg https://www.stadtfeststgeorg.de/auf-den-strassen











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28 May - 1 June 2025

German Jumping and Dressage Derby

The German Show Jumping and Dressage Derby in Hamburg is one of the most prestigious equestrian events in Germany and takes place annually on the grounds of the Hamburg Riding Club in Klein Flottbek. Derby Park Klein Flottbek Baron-Voght-Straße 81 22609 Hamburg https://hamburg-derby.com/



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Hamburger Theaterfestival

Every year, the programme includes exciting and much-discussed theatre productions from German-speaking countries. At the 16th Hamburg Theatre Festival, around 13,300 spectators experienced seven plays on 15 evenings.

Venues: Thalia Theater Kampnagel Hamburger Schauspielhaus St. Pauli Theater https://www.hamburgertheaterfesti val.de/



spring

13. Millerntor Gallery

The Millerntor Gallery is an international festival for art, music and culture, which was created by Viva con Agua Arts and FC St. Pauli.

Millerntorstadion FC St. Pauli https://www.millerntorgallery.org/



1 June 2025

IRONMAN Hamburg European Championship

The IRONMAN Hamburg European Championship is an exciting triathlon event in which athletes from all over the world master a challenging course that takes them along the Inner and Outer Alster, past Hamburg's landmarks and through the city centre.

Start: Jungfernstieg https://www.ironman.com/im-hamburg















1 June 2025

UNESCO World Heritage Day

World Heritage Day offers the opportunity to discover the region's diverse cultural and natural sites. As part of free tours and readings, visitors can take a unique look behind the scenes of Hamburg's UNESCO World Heritage sites.

Hamburger Speicherstadt https://worldheritage.hamburg/de/



13 June - 12 October 2025

Art exhibition: Rendezvous of Dreams

To celebrate the 100th anniversary of Surrealism, the exhibition invites visitors to discover Surrealist art in the context of German Romanticism. It shows over 180 Surrealist icons and more than 60 key works of German Romanticism and sheds light on their similarities and differences.

Hamburger Kunsthalle Glockengießerwall 5 20095 Hamburg https://hamburger-kunsthalle.de/en



20 June - 6 July 2025

Altonale and STAMP Festival

Northern Germany's largest cultural and neighbourhood festival takes place at the same time as the international street art festival STAMP in the Altona district.

Altonale GmbH Große Bergstraße 160 22767 Hamburg https://www.altonale.de/



27 - 29 June 2025

Hamburger Harley Days

The Hamburg Harley Days offer three action-packed days for bikers, biker ladies and all fans of the Harley-Davidson lifestyle. As the largest biker event in Europe, it is organised by the Bergmann Group in the heart of the Hanseatic city of Hamburg.

Großmarkt 20097 Hamburg https://hamburgharleydays.com/















29 June 2025

hella hamburg halbmarathon

The hella hamburg half marathon takes participants on a course of 21.0975 kilometres through the Hanseatic city. The route passes around 50 sights and is accompanied by numerous events, including DJ support, live music, samba groups and artists.

Start: St. Petersburger Straße Planten un Blomen https://www.hamburghalbmarathon.de/



5 July 2025

Schlagermove 2025

Schlagermove, the biggest pop festival in the world, will once again be travelling through St. Pauli in 2025 with colourful trucks and pop celebrities. In 2024, around 400,000 visitors celebrated on the route between Landungsbrücken and the Reeperbahn.

Start and End: Heiligengeistfeld 1 20359 Hamburg https://schlagermove.de/



6 - 20 July 2025

50th Hamburg Ballett Days

The 50th Hamburg Ballet Days are the highlight of the season and offer a unique overview of the diversity of the Hamburg Ballet. In addition to the world premiere of "Demian", the festival offers insights into the current repertoire, including works by John Neumeier and guest performances by the company La Veronal. The "Nijinsky Gala L" crowns the festival and the end of the season.

Hamburgische Staatsoper Dammtorstraße 28 20354 Hamburg https://www.hamburgballett.de/en/schedule/ballett-tage.php









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12 - 13 July 2025

HAMBURG WASSER World Triathlon Championship Series Hamburg

The biggest triathlon in the world in the most beautiful city in the world - with its remarkable location and a course packed with highlights along the sights of the Binnenalster, Jungfernstieg, Reeperbahn and Rathausmarkt, the event in Hamburg is a "must-do" for passionate triathletes.

Jungfernstieg 20354 Hamburg https://hamburg.triathlon.org/



18 - 20 July 2025

4th International Spielbudenfestival

Top artists from the international street art scene present street theatre on Spielbudenplatz. Every year, the Spielbudenfestival on St. Pauli brings a colourful programme of different genres such as acrobatics, comedy, music, magic and curiosities to the stage.

Spielbudenplatz, Hamburg St. Pauli https://www.spielbudenfestival.de/



25 July - 4 August 2025

Summer DOM - Folk festival with tradition

The Hamburg DOM takes place three times a year, in spring, summer and winter! It is considered the largest public festival in the north and attracts millions of visitors. Over 200 showmen offer attractions. rollercoasters and nostalgic rides for the whole family on the 1.6 kilometre-long DOM mile.

Hamburger Dom Feldstraße 20359 Hamburg https://www.hamburg.com/visitors/ <u>dom</u>



02 August 2025

Christopher Street Day

Every year, the colourful and diverse HAMBURG PRIDE demonstration marches through Hamburg's city centre. It is the highlight of PRIDE WEEK and a spectacular parade with more than 15,000 participants, attracting thousands of people along the route. The event concludes with the annual CSD street festival on Jungfernstieg and Ballindamm along the Binnenalster.

Various Venues:

e.g.: Jungfernstieg, Ballindamm https://www.hamburg-pride.de/









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6 - 24 August 2025

International Summerfestival Kampnagel

The International Summer Festival takes place every year in August for three weeks at Kampnagel and other venues in Hamburg. It presents around 60 productions from dance, theatre, music, art and film and most recently attracted around 50,000 visitors.

Kampnagel Festival Gelände https://kampnagel.de/en/



15 - 16 August 2025

DOCKVILLE Festival

Music and art come together at the MS Dockville Festival. A diverse musical programme on up to 12 stages and the setting in the port of Hamburg make the festival attractive for fans of new music.

Reiherstieg Hauptdeich / Alte Schleuse 21107 Hamburg-Wilhelmsburg https://msdockville.de/



17 August 2025

Bicycle Festival "Bemer Cyclassics"

Once a year, the city belongs to the professional cyclists. Tens of thousands of enthusiastic spectators cheer on the cycling stars along the streets of the Hanseatic city.

Bemer Cyclassics in Hamburg https://www.cyclassicshamburg.de/en



4 -7 September 2025

Open Mouth Food Festival

It's all set: the first Hamburg Food Festival shows Hamburg from its tasty side: as a flavoursome food city and for visitors to Hamburg with another attractive travel event.

Various venues in Hamburg City https://openmouth.hamburg/















12 - 14 September 2025

Hamburg Cruise Days

A maritime spectacle on the water and on land: the Hamburg Cruise Days attract visitors with an impressive parade of magnificently illuminated cruise ships and a varied supporting programme along the Elbe. Visitors can look forward to spectacular light shows, musical highlights and a maritime festival.

Hamburger Hafen https://www.hamburgcruisedays.de/ en



13 September 2025

Theaternacht Hamburg

Every year, Theaternacht Hamburg celebrates the start of the new season and delights theatre fans with a diverse programme. More than 30 theatres invite you to preview premieres, exciting glimpses behind the scenes, artist talks and creative workshops with over 200 programme items.

Various Hamburger Theatres https://theaternacht-hamburg.org/



17 - 20 September 2025

Reeperbahn Festival

The Reeperbahn Festival is Europe's largest club festival and platform for international pop culture. For four days in September, the Reeperbahn becomes a meeting place for artists, audiences and the industry.

Various Venues like music clubs and concert halls e.g. Elbphilharmonie https://www.reeperbahnfestival.com



20 September 2025

Night of the churches

The largest ecumenical church festival in the north offers more than 200 free events and programme items to discover and participate in.

In the churches of Hamburg https://ndkh.de/



26 September 2025 - 25 January 2026

Art exhibition: Anders Zorn

For the first time, the Hamburger Kunsthalle is presenting a comprehensive overview of the work of Anders Zorn (1860-1920), one of the best-known artists of his time, who was widely recognised in Europe and the USA.

Hamburger Kunsthalle Glockengießerwall 5 20095 Hamburg https://hamburger-kunsthalle.de/en







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25 September -4 October 2025

33th Filmfest Hamburg

Every year, Filmfest Hamburg attracts cinema fans with national and international feature and documentary films, which are presented as world premieres, European premieres or German premieres.

Various venues e.g. Abaton, CinemaxX Dammtor, Metropolis, Passage, Studio-Kino und 3001 https://www.filmfesthamburg.de/en



14 - 20 October 2025

35th Hamburg International Queer Film **Festival**

Germany's largest queer film festival attracts over 10,000 visitors every year. With a diverse programme of feature films, documentaries and short films, the festival focuses on queer realities and stories.

Various venues in Hamburg https://www.hiqff.de/en



07 November -07 December 2025

Winter DOM - Folk festival with tradition

The Hamburg DOM takes place three times a year, in spring, summer and winter! It is considered the largest public festival in the north and attracts millions of visitors. Over 200 showmen offer attractions, rollercoasters and nostalgic rides for the whole family on the 1.6 kilometre-long DOM mile.

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Hamburg Christmas markets 2025

- Christmas market on Jungfernstieg
- Historic christmas on Rathausmarkt
- Christmas market at the church of St. Petri
- Christmas market at the Gänsemarkt
- Christmas market on **Spitalerstraße**
- Christmas market on Gerhart-Hauptmann-Platz
- Christmas market on the Fleetinsel
- Santa Pauli at the Spielbudenplatz
- Winterpride Lange Reihe/Kirchenallee

https://www.hamburgtravel.com/discoverhamburg/christmas-in-hamburg















Every Saturday in Advent

Christmas parade

Hamburg's Christmas parades are a highlight of the festive season. They start at 14:00 and 17:00 in front of MediaMarkt in Mönckebergstraße and parade through the city centre.

Hamburg City https://www.hamburgtravel.com/seeexplore/events/hamburg-christmasparades/















All year round

Elbphilharmonie

Hamburg's famous concert hall and landmark impresses with its unique architecture and world stars of all musical styles.

Elbphilharmonie Hamburg Platz der Deutschen Einheit 1 20457 Hamburg https://www.elbphilharmonie.de/en/



All year round every Sunday

Fish market

Hamburg's most traditional market is a favourite destination for night owls and early risers and takes place every Sunday from 5 to 9:30 a.m. and in winter from 7 a.m. to midnight.

Fischauktionshalle
Große Elbstraße 9
22767 Hamburg
https://www.hamburg-travel.com/see-explore/maritime-hamburg/fish-market/de/



*all listed dates and events are subject to change







