



ART ADVENT

25 years of arts and crafts at Karlsplatz

23.11. until 23.12.2018, from 12 noon to 8 p.m. daily

ART ADVENT - Arts and Crafts at Karlsplatz - is celebrating its 25th birthday! The craftspeople of divina art have focused on quality for a quarter of a century: exceptional craftwork, organic catering and the best entertainment programme. In this anniversary year visitors can expect an enlarged island of art, an acoustic accompaniment round the market using an audio guide and a special shopping experience: the mobile divan. We look forward to celebrating our birthday with you in proper style!

25 years striving for a good life for all

The founding fathers and mothers of the arts and crafts market at Karlsplatz steered clear of kitschy commercial goods and cheap junk and offered quality products from the regions because they were motivated by the idea of a good life for all, for people and the environment. This is a market, organised as a Green-Event, in which the catering is certified organic und starting this year no palm oil will be used. All the artistic objects are unique, originating from the wealth of ideas and the abilities of one person. The revenue provides a basic income for the craftspeople, their families and their suppliers.

Look: Workshop!

Artisans demonstrate their working techniques by turns in the demonstration workshop. You can watch a bust being sculptured, see glass pearls formed by a flame, look at coconut and silver jewellery being made or see leather worked into bookbindings.

25 - an inspiration for the island of art

Our craftspeople will be presenting works made of wood, metal, clay, glass and paintings on the theme "25" on an enlarged island of art.

"Sporty" activities for young and old

The straw playground in the pond area is well established as our Christmas sport programme. Just like pedaling to get the rail trolley moving or cycling for parents to get the carousel of lost and found objects turning.

One could say that walking the friendly lamas, James and Luis, is a more contemplative activity. Whoever needs a rest can sit down on the mobile divan and have the liveried attendant show you round the craft products.

Good stories

The heavenly tent (small tent) is presenting "Fit for Nature" as its motto this year. Every Saturday children aged 8 or older can participate in the climate workshop with GLOBAL 2000. On other days the tradition of storytelling will be upheld: fairy tale figures will be drawn and cut out and fascinating stories will be told. In the Star Workshop (large tent) you can make soap and candles with natural materials.

School project - The Four Seasons

This year's School project is centred on composer Antonio Vivaldi's "The Four Seasons". The baroque composer is buried at Karlsplatz at the former Spitaler Gottesacker. Inspired by this music Viennese children will paint Spring, Summer, Autumn and Winter on canvas. Their paintings will be shown on the School Project Island. At www.divinaart.at.schulprojekt one may vote for one's preferred picture. The winning class will be rewarded with a crafts course.

Walking Acts and Fire Shows

Soluna Rising and MovingActs will present an amusing and modern Christmas story to play along with. Dreamdancer will have a show full of surprises and wonderful pyrotechnical effects and viewers will be carried away by the magical world of flames.

Live-Acts - music from all around the world

We start our Live Sessions with rocky music by The Untouchables on 24.11. Among others our guests include the great master of the violin Mosa Sisic, the "new folk musicians" Broadlahn, the Crossover musicians MoZuluART and the premiere of the Serbian-Bosnian-Bulgarian-Austrian quartett Madame Beheux as well as many other exceptional musicians.

We will have a merry celebration with time-proven products and excellent entertainment, which is what ART ADVENT is known for, plus many birthday surprises. Come and celebrate with us!

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