

DIAKONIEWERK GALLNEUKIRCHEN

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Diakoniewerk Gallneukirchen – Wohnen Martinstift – 2 Placement (Start September 2019, duration 12 months), place: Gallneukirchen/ Engerwitzdorf

(Start 02.09.2019 till 31.08.2020)

For this EVS project, we have **two department**, where the volunteer will be a part of the team. **It is a house with 8 apartments, there live 6-8 people with handicap/apartment.**

The volunteer can bring in his culture, abilities, ideas, creativity to present his way of living/culture/background into cooking, singing songs, creating free time activities with the people and so on. Therefore, it is up to the volunteer to define the project. We give the volunteer to settle into the flat and later on, the volunteer will be able to bring in his own ideas.

The volunteer will help in assistance and escort by daily routine, assistance and escort by free time activities, assistance by the needs from the people with disabilities, participation on the social life, assistance household, cooking

Food/Meals: Each volunteer will receive a food of the project and allowance to cover his needs for all meals of the day – all Meals during the time in the working time, if the volunteers work in the morning they have breakfast and lunch, if they work in the afternoon lunch and dinner. For the other time the volunteer get money per month 140€.

Working hours: The volunteers will have a flexible programme, depending on a large array of factors. It will be maximum 9 hours/day distributed throughout the day as needed. Early morning duty (Frühdienst) ca. 6:00-15:00, day shift (Tagdienst) ca. 8:00-16:30, evening shift (Spätdienst) ca. 11:30-20:00 also on weekend, max. two in a month.

Accommodation: The EVS volunteers will be accommodated in a flat near the hosting project, in a safe area with a room on their own together with other volunteers.

Diakoniewerk Gallneukirchen – Werkstätte Linzerberg– 1 Placement (Start September 2019, duration 12 months), place: Gallneukirchen/ Engerwitzdorf

(Start 02.09.2019 till 31.08.2020)

For the EVS project, we have **1 department**, the Gemeinschaftswerkstatt, where the volunteer will be part of the team. In our Gemeinschaftswerkstatt are working 12 people with handicap and two staffs.

The volunteer can bring in his creativity and ideas into new projects, and of course in projects that are already happening. For example, we started to produce beeswax cloths; greeting cards made with seed paper; preparing raw sheep wool from our own farm for our carpets. We are weaving carpets on big looms, and the volunteers can try out to weave, together with a client, a carpet on their own.

The volunteer will help the clients with their daily working tasks. We also collaborate with companies. They send us materials, and there are different tasks to do. The clients will need a little help to do the preparations and to finish the tasks.

It's also part of the job, to do easy exercises with clients, under guidance of a physiotherapist, to keep their agility.

Taking walks with our clients are always very welcome.

This are just some of the main tasks that we do in our group. According to the situation, it is possible to find new tasks. We are giving our best to help our volunteers to learn many skills using our working place. Finding their own way of getting a task finished, our volunteer will also learn how to include our clients in this certain process.

Food/Meals: Each volunteer will receive food of the project and allowance to cover his needs for all meals of the day. Everyday it's possible to have a snack during the morning break, and a lunch meal at midday (there is always a vegetarian option). For the other time the volunteer get money per month 140€.

Working hours: Monday to Friday from 9 am to 4 pm. No work during weekends and holidays.

Accommodation: The EVS volunteers will be accommodated in a flat near the hosting project, in a safe area with a room on their own together with other volunteers.

What can a volunteer learn?

- working in a multi-professional team
- working with people with special needs
- building empathy
- improving German language skills (also our clients are very friendly and kind, and they're giving their best to help you to learn the language even better)
- how to find new ideas and creativity and also how to realize them
- during this year you will learn on very understandable way how to work and assist people with disabilities.
- improve handcrafting skills

Diakoniewerk Gallneukirchen – Haus Abendfrieden for people in the elderly care – 1 Placement (Start September 2019, duration 12 months), place: Gallneukirchen

(Start 02.09.2019 till 31.08.2020)

For the EVS project, we have **1 department**, the Haus Abendfrieden, where the volunteer will be part of the team.

Haus Abendfrieden is a house for people in the elderly care. There live in two flats (Hausgemeinschaften) 12 people.

The volunteer can bring in his culture, abilities, ideas, creativity to present his way of living/culture/background into cooking, singing songs, creating free time activities with the people

and so on. Therefore, it is up to the volunteer to define the project. We give the volunteer to settle into the Hausgemeinschaft and later on, the volunteer will be able to bring in his own ideas.

The volunteer will help in assistance and escort by daily routine, assistance and escort by free time activities, assistance by the needs from the people in the elderly care, participation on the social life, assistance household, cooking

Food/Meals: Each volunteer will receive a food of the project and allowance to cover his needs for all meals of the day – all Meals during the time in the working time, if the volunteers work in the morning they have breakfast and lunch, if they work in the afternoon lunch and dinner. For the other time the volunteer get money per month 140€.

Working hours: The volunteers will have a flexible programme, depending on a large array of factors. It will be maximum 9 hours/day distributed throughout the day as needed. Early morning duty (Frühdienst) ca. 6:00-15:00, day shift (Tagdienst) ca. 8:00-16:30, evening shift (Spätdienst) ca. 11:30-20:00 also on weekend, max. two in a month.

Accommodation: The EVS volunteers will be accommodated in a flat near the hosting project, in a safe area with a room on their own together with other volunteers.

Diakoniewerk Gallneukirchen – Haus Bethanien – 1 Placement (Start September 2019, duration 12 months), place: Gallneukirchen

(Start 02.09.2019 till 31.08.2020)

Location: Haus Bethanien, Gallneukirchen in Upper Austria (near Linz)

For the EVS project, we have **1 department**, where the volunteer will be part of the team. Given that it was once a house for deaconesses, Haus Bethanien has always been closely interwoven with the history of the Diakoniewerk, as a result of which it has a rich and eventful past.

Following a refurbishment carried out in time for the 2015 Upper Austrian Special State Exhibition, it is now prepared for many new challenges, most important of which will be the creating of a common future with the people who live and work there. It has been shining in new splendour since September 2016, and is once again a place for communal work.

The work that the deaconesses began more than 110 years ago (in 1909) at Haus Bethanien is continued today in a variety of activities under one roof.

One of these areas is the art workshop, which offers a barrier-free workplace for 32 disabled people in one of our four creative and artistic fields of work.

Most of the artists employed in the House work in two areas and are therefore multi-skilled.

In each of these four departments, the disabled staff members are supervised throughout the day by a dedicated team.

Since mid 2016 the artistic and creative departments that were previously situated in various locations have been housed in the same purpose-built facility.

Each of the workers in the House applied for their position independently, and was accepted on merit.

The Diakoniewerk art workshop in Haus Bethanien, Gallneukirchen entails these four areas:

STUDIO:

The art workshop studio offers a creative workspace in which the staff are professionally supervised to produce spectacular art.

Types of art produced here include drawing, painting, printmaking and three-dimensional design. Its main focus is on developing an authentic, artistic style that can be regarded as truly contemporary.

In various projects and workshops an exciting exchange takes place on an equal footing with national and international artists.

We participate in exhibition cooperations; the most outstanding works of our artists are featured in highly-regarded Austrian collections.

Their ideas are often used for artistic and graphic applications, and for product design.

Diakoniewerk's art studio celebrates its 20th anniversary in 2020.

Projects, exhibitions and publications:

It is important to us that the art workshop is publicly acknowledged through exhibitions and publications, as well as through dialogue and exchange with other institutions, all the while with the aim of co-operating with other contemporary artists.

The studio thus gladly cooperates with external partners, as well as in national and international projects.

In addition to the sale of originals, the artistic works have often been integrated within the framework of "Kunst am Bau" projects.

The works of art have also been used in products such as our "derart" ("in such a way") crockery, and in the making of printed graphics.

THEATRE:

The Malaria Theater is an initiative of artistic people from the Diakoniewerk at Gallneukirchen.

The eleven-member ensemble works on its own creations in co-operation with freelance guest actors and musicians as well as with our own internal artistic and educational team.

Performance hallmarks have included witty sketches and word creations, as well as emotional plays which have achieved audience acclaim. The production process of longer plays, lasting between 65 to 90 minutes, can take at least two years.

In the meanwhile, the ensemble may work on small art projects. In order to promote the various facets of creative expression, the ensemble uses several theatrical forms.

Theater Malaria is focused on three main theatrical techniques:

Bildungswerkstatt = the performers are taught the basics of theatrical expression, the internal team being complemented by guest lecturers.

Production workshop = the actors' ideas are presented through interpretive dance. Theatre sketches, improvisation, literature and pictorial figures are used here.

Networking within the cultural landscape = participation in festivals, public appearances, readings, exhibitions and radio broadcasts.

In 2018, Diakoniewerk's Malaria Theater celebrated its 20th anniversary.

MACHEREI:

This department concentrates on team-building activities, the promotion of independent work, and their integration into group-specific work processes.

The Macherei is responsible for the maintenance of the online shop, which sells products from the Diakoniewerk workshops. Its product line is known as "derart" ("in such a way").

The shop is managed by learning-disabled staff members, and this includes the processing of the incoming orders, the packaging and shipping of the goods, and the managing of the stock.

The online Diakoniewerk shop brings the craftsmanship of disabled people to the forefront of production and offers excellent creative products. Online Shop:

<https://spenden.diakoniewerk.at/shop/>

The Macherei's tasks include product photography, miscellaneous social errands, and services for internal and external partners, as well as generally supporting other groups in the House.

Another focus is the professional support of our stalls at fairs, markets and festivals throughout the year.

MEDIA:

The transfer of knowledge is an important part of the Diakoniewerk's disability work. The media workshop publishes the magazine "ICH und WIR" on a quarterly basis.

Under the motto "by disabled people, for disabled people" the journal "ICH und WIR" is written by disabled staff members in the media workshop. The texts are written in simple language.

Editing, photography and customer service are taught in the media workshop.

These employees use their creative skills to successfully implement the numerous different tasks involved in newspaper production.

Customer-oriented work is a high priority in the media workshop, both internally and for external partners.

In addition to the Magazine, the media workshop also makes labels for chocolates and waffles, and undertakes much photography.

The media workshop also regularly contributes to the 'Free Radio Freistadt'. These contributions may be heard as part of the series "In the Middle of Life".

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Working hours: Monday to Friday from 8:00/8:30 am to 3:30/ 4 pm. No work during weekends and holidays.

Accommodation: The EVS volunteers will be accommodated in a flat near the hosting project, in a safe area with a room on their own together with other volunteers.

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Diakoniewerk Gallneukirchen – Martin Boos Schule – 1 Placement (Start September 2019, duration 12 months), place: Gallneukirchen

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Martin Boos-Landesschule

The Martin Boos-Landesschule is a school for pupils with special needs. There are eight classes for handicapped children and four inclusive classes (www.lss-gallneukirchen.ac.at).

For the EVS project, we have 1 department, The volunteer will be part of a team of three pedagogues.

His /her tasks are:

- supporting the pupils in their schoolworks as counting, writing, reading,..
- supporting and encouraging them in their activities of daily live
- accompanying them to the workshops where they train once a week (optional)

He / she can

- learn to work with a professional team
- get to know the needs and abilities of pupils with special needs
- notice and understand the motives why pupils with special needs behave as they do

Meals: The volunteer can have his/ her lunch at school. For the other time the volunteer get money per month 140€.

Working hours: We start at 8.00 am and finish between 12.00 pm and 4.30 pm depending on the weekday.

Accommodation: The EVS volunteers will be accommodated in a flat near the hosting project, in a safe area with a room on their own together with other volunteers.