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Informations on  
**artistic residency**  
**Chemnitz 2025**  
Klub Solitaer e.V.





## About Klub Solitaer

The NGO Klub Solitaer was founded in 2010 and has launched numerous cultural projects since then. The NGO runs all kinds of cultural activities in the galleries Galerie HINTEN, as well as Galerie Glaskasten and the LOKOMOV Cultural Space. The association also participates in the organization and implementation of projects in the OFF-Theatre Komplex. Furthermore, the club has launched the project Dialogfelder, which uses artistic interventions in the public and semi-public space, thus contributing to the positive cultural development of its neighbourhood. The Klub Solitaer e.V. annually develops a series of events on a topic with socio-political and local urban relevance. Moreover Klub Solitaer is active in the field of art-science collaborations running the FUNKEN Academy.

One of Klub Solitaer's core activities is to provide premises for the production of contemporary art and culture with the project and studio

houses A102 and J42. There are artists studios as well as workshops for artistic production especially in digital media, photography and printmaking.

Since its founding Klub Solitaer has worked and collaborated with numerous local as well as international artists. The association is in close contact with local institutions such as POCHEN Biennial, Kunstsammlungen Chemnitz as well as international Partners like Ars Electronica (Austria), WRO Art center (Poland) or Taika Box (Finland) mainly in the field of art-science collaborations.



Performance by Rene Schwolow during Christoph Blankenburg's exhibition Earthworks III 2024







## Accomodation & artistic possibilities

Artists spend their stay in an apartment at the studio house. It is a one-room flat with a kitchen and bathroom. The flat is fully equipped and has WiFi.



Artists in residence can use Klub Soltaers workshops by prior arrangement. They also have access to the association's technical equipment.



The photo lab has a wide range of facilities for developing and enlarging black and white photography.



There is a small photo studio with lighting equipment. Camera equipment can also be obtained.





The printing workshop can produce letterpress and gravure prints up to A1 format.

A range of 3D printers and VR and AR technologies are available. There are also various projectors, screens and even large LED panels at their disposal.

In principle, the workshops are aimed at independent creative artists with previous experience who are keen to experiment. There are no workshop masters or assistants. We are happy to introduce residing artists to our wide creative network in and around Chemnitz.

## The City and its cultural scene

Chemnitz, located in the heart of Saxony, Germany, is a city that combines rich industrial history with modern innovation. It is in transformation from a major industrial hub to a center of technology, culture, and creativity. In 2025, Chemnitz will proudly hold the title of “European Capital of Culture”, offering an exciting opportunity for international artists, including those from China, to explore and contribute to its vibrant arts scene.

„C the Unseen” - the motto for Chemnitz 2025 is both an invitation and a program. The aim is to make the previously unseen and undiscovered visible. The title „European Capital of Culture” shines a spotlight on people, places and activities that have not yet been the focus of tourist attention. They want to show themselves and warmly welcome their guests.





Once called Karl-Marx-Stadt during the DDR era, Chemnitz has a strong historical narrative of change and progress. Today, it stands as a symbol of cultural renewal, embracing technology and innovation facing demographic challenges and urban shrinkage.

Chemnitz boasts renowned museums like the „Kunstsammlungen Chemnitz“, home to world-class exhibitions of modern and classical art. The city’s cultural heritage is woven into its unique blend of few remains of traditional and classic modern as well as contemporary architecture. Chemnitz offers fertile ground for creative exchange.



## About the neighbourhood

Sonnenberg, a vibrant district in the city of Chemnitz is the home of Klub Solitaer e.V. It offers a unique blend of history, culture, and artistic opportunity. With its iconic 19th-century architecture, diverse community, and upcoming creative scene, Sonnenberg is an ideal destination for Chinese artists seeking inspiration and collaboration in Germany.

Sonnenberg is known for its beautiful buildings from „Gründerzeit“ era. These historic structures, many of which have been restored, provide a picturesque backdrop for artistic projects.

Sonnenberg is one of the most multicultural neighborhoods in Chemnitz. Its diverse population creates a unique, rich cultural atmosphere, where influences from around the world merge in everyday life. As an artist, you’ll find inspiration in the cultural exchange and the opportunity to connect with different perspectives.



With the „Karl-Marx Monument“ as an iconic backdrop, the city’s public spaces, urban vacancies and green parks, provide perfect settings for artistic interventions. The city’s focus on the arts, particularly in the lead-up to 2025, makes it a hot-spot for collaborations and exhibitions.

# European Cultural Capital 2025



The district is becoming a hotspot for creative makers, such as artists, musicians, hackers, tinkers and creatives.

Sonnenberg is a neighborhood in transition, balancing its rich working-class history with a modern cultural revival. The district's social dynamics, including community-driven art initiatives, present meaningful opportunities for socially engaged projects, residency programs, and public art installations.

Chemnitz offers an affordable lifestyle compared to other large German cities, with transportation links to cultural hubs like Berlin, Leipzig, Dresden and Prague. Its scenic environment, combined with growing creative industries, makes it an ideal place for artists seeking inspiration and opportunity.

As a center of technological advancement, Chemnitz is home to cutting-edge research in engineering, machine tools, and microelectronics. Klub Solitaer engages in the field by fostering collaborations between the arts and sciences.

During Summer and autumn 2025 there will be a lot of cultural events and happenings within the framework of the European Capital of Culture. The art museum Kunstsammlungen Chemnitz will host a show about Edvard Munch as well as the exhibition Win/Win which combines contemporary art from Saxony. The annual festival for contemporary art "Begehungen" will bring international art to an abandoned power plant. Furthermore there will be "IBUG" a festival for urban art and graffiti, a rooftop festival, a queer feminist exhibition and many more.

Klub Solitaer is in close contact with many of the organisers and happy to connect them to the resident.

Being part of the official programmes Klub Solitaer will run the international residency programme Dialogfelder on the topic of privilege during the residency period.

## Links

Webpages of Klub Solitaer:

[klub-solitaer.de](http://klub-solitaer.de)

[instagram.com/klubsolitaerev/](https://www.instagram.com/klubsolitaerev/)

[instagram.com/galerien\\_galerien\\_klub\\_solitaer/](https://www.instagram.com/galerien_galerien_klub_solitaer/)

Official webpage city of Chemnitz:

[chemnitz.de](http://chemnitz.de)

Programme European Capital of Culture

[chemnitz2025.de/en/programme/](http://chemnitz2025.de/en/programme/)

Chemnitz Art Museum:

[kunstsammlungen-chemnitz.de](http://kunstsammlungen-chemnitz.de)