

Press release

To the Core.

Bauhaus Dessau 100

The Bauhaus Dessau Foundation invites you to the festive opening of the Bauhaus Dessau centennial, with an extensive public programme in various locations in Dessau from Fri, 5 Sep, to Sun, 7 Sep 2025.

For the official jubilee ceremony in the Bauhaus Building on Thurs, 4 Sep 2025, we are welcoming the President of the European Commission, Dr. Ursula von der Leyen, in Dessau.

Public days: 5 Sep – 7 Sep 2025, advance ticket sales at bauhaus-dessau.ticketfritz.de

Official ceremony: 4 Sep 2025, 6 pm (by invitation only)

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The Bauhaus Dessau is turning 100!

From Fri, 5 Sep to Sun, 7 Sep, the Bauhaus Dessau Foundation is celebrating the start of the Bauhaus Dessau centennial with an extensive public programme under the motto *To the Core*. In and around the famous Bauhaus Building, in the Bauhaus Museum Dessau, in the Tierpark Dessau and at the scenic Kornhaus on the river, three days packed with concerts, dance, performances, film events, workshops and walks await the public.

On Thurs, 4 Sep, the centennial is being officially opened by the President of the European Commission, Dr. Ursula von der Leyen, together with the director of the Bauhaus Dessau Foundation, Dr. Barbara Steiner, and the Minister President of the State of Saxony-Anhalt, Dr. Reiner Haseloff. Admission to the official ceremony is by invitation only. Accreditation of members of the press will begin with a special press invitation in late July.

In the public programme for the centennial opening, numerous internationally acclaimed artists will be in dialogue with the historic Bauhaus through a variety of artistic genres and expressions. The historical “Material Dances” of Oskar Schlemmer will be translated into the present in newly commissioned dance works performed on the Bauhaus Stage. The Italian composer and musician Piero Mottola will premiere his *Voices of Bauhaus* – a complex orchestral work made of many voices (Fri, 5 Sep 25). Another highlight of the weekend is the joint festival of the Bauhaus Dessau Foundation and the Anhaltisches Theater Dessau, including a public concert on the main stage in front of the Mausoleum, the poetic dance play *Bauhaus Ghosts* by dancer and choreographer Celia Millán and the brass band *Frohe Zukunft* from Halle. Light projections by the artist Philipp Geist will transform the space into a fantastical visual landscape (Sat, 6 Sep 25).

The concert series *Pop Around @ Bauhaus* of German broadcaster ZDF/3SAT will be held at the Bauhaus Museum Dessau for the first time on two evenings and will be transmitted live on national television letting everyone outside Dessau to take part, too. The line-up of international artists will be announced online in advance. The four concerts are being presented by well-known ZDF presenter Jo Schück (Sat + Sun, 6 + 7 Sep).

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An educational programme, including workshops and the possibility to experiment with materials and technology on the Fab-Mobil bus will be available all weekend.

The programme is free of charge. More information is available online at bauhaus-dessau.de

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Programme

Centennial Opening

5 Sep 2025, 6 pm

>> Bauhaus Building

At 6pm, the artistic evening programme on the historical Bauhaus Stage starts, with three premieres by renowned contemporary artists – Isabell Schad & Manuel Lindner, Mike Dele Dittrich Frydetski & Raiko Sánchez as well as Joanna Tischkau – exploring themes as space, bodies and materials at the Bauhaus. This programme is supported by the Ostdeutsche Sparkassenstiftung and the Stadtparkasse Dessau.

It will be accompanied by a screening of historic short films, including works by Ludwig Hirschfeld-Mack, Walter Ruttmann and Kurt Schwerdtfeger, focusing on cinematic materiality.

A highlight of the evening is the world premiere of a choral work composed of a multitude of voices: *Voices of Bauhaus* by Piero Mottola – interpreted by the Extra-Chor of the Anhaltisches Theater Dessau under the direction of Sebastian Kennerknecht, soloist Marina Drobyshevskaya and baritone Alexander Argirov.

Tickets for the programme on the historical Bauhaus Stage on 5 Sep 2025 will be available online in the [Ticketshop](#) beginning on 21 Jul 2025.

Festival kicking-off the Centennial

6 Sep 2025, 7 pm

>> Tierpark Dessau

The Bauhaus Dessau Foundation and the Anhaltisches Theater Dessau are celebrating together – with a big joint festival. The Anhaltisches Theater Dessau commences the evening programme with a concert on the main stage in front of the mausoleum. Hedwig Dances from Chicago is performing the play „Pupations“ in an excerpt from META/MOR/PHOS. This celebrated dance piece was inspired by Oskar Schlemmer's *Triadic Ballet*. It centres on humanity's evolving relationship with technology as well as the need to reconnect to nature in the face of environmental destruction. Also performing are Celia Millán with her poetic dance piece *Bauhaus Ghosts* and the brass band *Frohe Zukunft* from Halle.

Another highpoint are the light projections by the artist Philipp Geist, which fuse, space, sound and moving image and transform the festival space into a visual landscape. The works take a painterly, compositional approach with superimpositions, structures and graphic elements.

In addition to sold tickets for set up seats by theatre for the concert, the box office will also be giving away free so-called scorecards for standing area. Both tickets for seats and the free tickets will allow admission to the opening of the centenary festival that follows after the concert. Admission is free, no tickets required. After the concert, visitors to the festival without tickets can also enter the grounds until the official maximum

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number of visitors has been reached.

Concert tickets are available at the usual sales locations of the Anhaltisches Theater Dessau and at anhaltisches-theater.de/kartenverkauf

Scorecards are available at the usual sales locations of the Anhaltisches Theater Dessau .

Admission free

Pop Around @ Bauhaus

6 Sep + 7 Sep 2025

>> Bauhaus Museum Dessau

This renowned ZDF/3SAT concert series is being held at the Raumbühne of Bauhaus Museum Dessau for the first time. Presented by presenter Jo Schück, international artists will perform on two evenings. For the first time as well, two of the four concerts will be broadcast live on 3SAT on 6 Sep from 8.15 to 10.30 pm. Tickets available at: tvtickets.de

Material Previews

5 – 7 Sep 2025

Brief Tours

The centennial year will focus on materials as the core of the Bauhaus. Brief guided tours will explore the sites of future exhibitions and spectacular and significant buildings in Dessau such as the former Zeek Department Store and the Junkers Slat Hall.

Workshops

Bauhaus³

6 Sep 2025, 9:30 am – 3 pm

>> Bauhausgebäude

Creative educational workshops with artists and performers Cox Ahlers and Irene Lehmann.

FABMOBIL

6 Sep 2025, 9:30 am – 3 pm,

>> Bauhaus Building

7 Sep 2025, 10 am – 3 pm

>> Kornhaus

Mobile Digital Workshop inside the Fab-Mobil bus with 3-D printing, VR and robotics.

Tricks of Transformation

6 Sep 2025, 9:30 am – 3 pm

>> Bauhaus Building

7 Sep 2025, 10 am – 3 pm

>> Kornhaus

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Open Workshop on material experiments with concrete, glass and metal.

[A Sunday at the Kornhaus](#)

7 Sep 2025, 10 am – 5 pm

>> Kornhaus

In collaboration with the Kornhaus, the foundation is inviting you to spend a Sunday at the Elbe river. Between the Kornhaus, the canoe club and the playground, there is a colourful programme featuring creative workshops, tours, music, brunch (from 10 am) and BBQing (from noon).

[>> Press Kit](#)

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