

## Berlin Highlights 2017

IGA Berlin 2017 / International German Turnfest / Sports Metropolis Berlin

**Berlin, June 2017** In Berlin, there's always so much to do, every day of the year, any time of the day – a sparkling array of events, highlights, entertainment and culture. Berlin is 365/24.

Berlin has many great events on offer in 2017: The first IGA in Berlin will make international garden art come alive, the Reformation celebrates its 500th anniversary in the capital, and two festivals turn Berlin into a sparkling metropolis.

## Openings, Exhibitions, and Events

### **Musical „The Hunchback of Notre Dame“**

The Hunchback of Notre Dame comes to the German capital – with new book and new songs. The hopeless love the hunchback Quasimodo bears for the beautiful Esmeralda is put to the test and leads to his performing heroic deeds. The whole story can be seen from April 2017 in the Theater des Westens.

Stage Theater des Westens, from April 2017, [www.stage-entertainment.de/musicals-shows/berlin/der-gloeckner-von-notre-dame/show/disneys-der-gloeckner-von-notre-dame-berlin.html](http://www.stage-entertainment.de/musicals-shows/berlin/der-gloeckner-von-notre-dame/show/disneys-der-gloeckner-von-notre-dame-berlin.html)

### **The Luther Effect. 500 Years of the Reformation**

To mark the 500th anniversary of the reformation the Deutsches Historisches Museum features an exhibition at the Martin-Gropius-Bau on the times of the reformation and the impacts of Protestantism around the world until today.

Martin-Gropius-Bau, 12 April - 5 November 2017, [www.dhm.de/en/ausstellungen/preview/the-luther-effect.html](http://www.dhm.de/en/ausstellungen/preview/the-luther-effect.html)

### **IGA Berlin 2017 – An Ocean of Colours**

186 days of urban green in Marzahn-Hellersdorf: From 13 April to 15 October 2017, the first international garden show IGA in Berlin will focus on urban natures and culture in diverse dimensions. On the premises around the Gardens of the World, the Kienberg and the valley of the river Wuhle, the IGA will make international garden art come alive and will give new impulses for modern urban development. A funicular, which will float above the exhibitions grounds, and a summer toboggan run at the 100 metre high Kienberg are also planned. The newly-built Kienbergpark around the IGA grounds will be accessible free of charge after the garden show. Apart from extensive offerings for garden lovers, diverse events and activities for young and old will inform about urban gardening.

IGA grounds, 13 April - 15 October 2017, [www.iga-berlin-2017.de/en](http://www.iga-berlin-2017.de/en)

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## **Pückler. Babelsberg – The Park-Enthusiast Prince and the Empress**

Exhibition at Babelsberg Park and Palace featuring original park creations by landscape architect and garden designer Prince Pückler: the renovated terraces, the richly blooming pleasure ground with its „Golden Rose Garden,“ and much more.

Park and Palace of Babelsberg, 29 April - 15 October 2017, [www.spsg.de](http://www.spsg.de)

## **China and Egypt: The Paths of Two Advanced Civilisations**

Ancient Egyptian and ancient Chinese art treasures will be displayed together side by side for the first time: Each of the 250 exhibits has its own history and, at the same time, represents an entire culture.

Neues Museum (New Museum), 1 May - 31 October 2017, [www.smb.museum](http://www.smb.museum)

## **Fête de la Musique**

International day of music with music programmes from all genres all over the city. This event is a highlight for all music-lovers, onlookers and spontaneous Kiez visitors.

(open-air) stages in all of Berlin, 21 June 2017, [www.fetedelamusique.de](http://www.fetedelamusique.de)

## **17th Long Night of the Sciences**

Lectures, guided tours, and cultural programs to be held in numerous scientific institutions, archives, and laboratories in Berlin and Potsdam.

Various locations, 24 June 2017, [www.langenachtderwissenschaften.de](http://www.langenachtderwissenschaften.de)

## **Berliner Philharmoniker**

Open-air closing of the season 2016/17, with conductor Gustavo Dudamel and works by Richard Wagner and Robert Schumann.

Waldbühne, 1 July 2017, [www.berliner-philharmoniker.de](http://www.berliner-philharmoniker.de)

## **150th Birthday of Käthe Kollwitz**

Käthe Kollwitz (\*1867 in Königsberg/Kaliningrad) has worked and lived for over 50 years in Berlin. To mark her 150th anniversary, the museum shows her sculptural works, drawings, printed graphics and posters in co-operation with Russia.

Käthe-Kollwitz-Museum, 8 July 2017, [www.kaethe-kollwitz.de](http://www.kaethe-kollwitz.de)

## **SOFA: Summer Festival at Admiralspalast**

The Admiralspalast is turning into a festival hotspot in summer 2017: Musicals, shows, concerts, and readings for adults and children are on the programme. Plus:

- **Grimm**, 15 - 26 July 2017
- **Der Hauptmann von Köpenick**, 19 July - 6 August 2017
- **Alles Märchen**, 28 - 29 July 2017
- **Cats**, 9 - 19 August 2017

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Admiralspalast, 14 July - 20 August 2017, [www.sommerfestival.berlin](http://www.sommerfestival.berlin)

## **Classic Open Air**

This music open-air festival presents concerts with classical music and popular melodies at Gendarmenmarkt against the backdrop of the Konzerthaus, featuring a final fireworks show.

Gendarmenmarkt, 20 - 25 July 2017, [www.classicopenair.de](http://www.classicopenair.de)

## **39<sup>th</sup> CSD Berlin**

At Christopher Street Day Berlin, lesbians, gays, transgenders, intersexual and bisexual people demonstrate for equal rights and protest against all forms of discrimination in society.

Start at Kurfürstendamm, 22 July 2017, [www.csd-berlin.de](http://www.csd-berlin.de)

## **Young Euro Classic**

Music festival featuring international youth orchestras.

Konzerthaus Berlin, 18 August - 3 September 2017, [www.young-euro-classic.de](http://www.young-euro-classic.de)

## **37th Long Night of the Museums**

Many museums in Berlin remain open until past midnight and offer guided tours, concerts and more.

Various locations, 19 August 2017, [www.lange-nacht-der-museen.de/en](http://www.lange-nacht-der-museen.de/en)

## **Pyronale**

The Pyronale World Fireworks Championship features some spectacularly creative fireworks displays with breathtaking effects.

Maifeld at Olympic Stadium, 1 - 2 September 2017, [www.pyronale.de](http://www.pyronale.de)

## **IFA Berlin**

Business and public fair on consumer electronics and home appliances.

Messe Berlin, 1 - 6 September 2017, [www.ifa-berlin.de](http://www.ifa-berlin.de)

## **Musikfest Berlin**

Music festival to mark the opening of the concert season 2017/18, featuring international orchestras, choirs, ensembles and soloists.

Various locations, 1 - 17 September 2017, [www.berlinerfestspiele.de/musikfest](http://www.berlinerfestspiele.de/musikfest)

## **Open Heritage Day**

The German Heritage Day offers guided tours to gain a new perspective on historical sites and monuments in all of Berlin.

Various locations, 10 September 2017, [www.stadtentwicklung.berlin.de/denkmal/denkmaltag](http://www.stadtentwicklung.berlin.de/denkmal/denkmaltag)

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## **Lollapalooza Berlin**

Two days of live music, fashion, food, and art – since 2015, the most important US-American pop festival takes place in Berlin.

Rennbahn Hoppegarten, 9 - 10 September 2017, [www.lollapaloozade.com](http://www.lollapaloozade.com)

## **Berlin Art Week**

The Berlin Art Week combines important art fairs and institutions, including the abc art berlin contemporary and the Positions Berlin – Art Fair.

Various locations, 12 - 17 September 2017, [www.berlinartweek.de](http://www.berlinartweek.de)

## **Jean Fouquet. The Melun Diptych**

Jean Fouquet's diptych from the collegiate church in Melun ranks as one of the masterpieces of 15th-century painting. The Gemäldegalerie acquired the left panel bearing a portrait of the patron in 1896. The right panel, which portrays the Madonna and Child, has belonged to the Museum Schone Kunsten in Antwerp since the early 19th century. The presentation brings these two pieces together for the first time in over 80 years, briefly restoring the lost unity of a great work of art.

Gemäldegalerie, 15 September 2017 - 7 January 2018,  
[www.smb.museum/en/exhibitions/detail/jean-fouquet-das-diptychon-von-melun.html](http://www.smb.museum/en/exhibitions/detail/jean-fouquet-das-diptychon-von-melun.html)

## **Re-Opening: Staatsoper Berlin**

The State Opera Berlin is scheduled to re-open the season 2017/18 in their opera house Unter den Linden after reconstruction works. Matthias Schulz will take on the position as Artistic Director.

Staatsoper Unter den Linden, 3 October 2017, [www.staatsoper-berlin.de/en\\_EN](http://www.staatsoper-berlin.de/en_EN)

## **Berlin Light Weeks**

Each fall, two festivals turn Berlin into a sparkling metropolis. Brandenburg Gate, the TV Tower, and other icons will shine in the brightest colours.

Berlin leuchtet: various locations, 29 September - 15 October 2017, [berlin-leuchtet.com](http://berlin-leuchtet.com)  
Festival of Lights: various location, 6 - 15 October 2017, [festival-of-lights.de](http://festival-of-lights.de)

## **Faces of China. Portrait Painting of the Ming and Qing Dynasty (1368–1912)**

Faces of China: Portrait Painting of the Ming and Qing Dynasties (1368–1912) will be the first exhibition in Europe to explicitly focus on Chinese portrait painting. Portrait painting has a history of over 2000 years in China.

Kulturforum, 12 October 2017 - 7 January 2018,  
[www.smb.museum/en/exhibitions/detail/gesichter-chinas-portraetmalerei-der-ming-und-qing-dynastie-1368-1912.html](http://www.smb.museum/en/exhibitions/detail/gesichter-chinas-portraetmalerei-der-ming-und-qing-dynastie-1368-1912.html)

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## **1917. Revolution. Russia and Europe**

The year 2017 is the 100th anniversary of the Russian Revolution. The revolutionary events and the civil war, lasting in Russia until 1922, led to a fundamental, systemic change that influenced the entire 20th century.

Deutsches Historisches Museum (German Historical Museum), 20 October 2017 - 15 April 2018,  
[www.dhm.de/en/ausstellungen/preview/1917-revolution.html](http://www.dhm.de/en/ausstellungen/preview/1917-revolution.html)

## **JazzFest Berlin 2017**

Festival featuring concerts with international jazz musicians.

Various locations, 2 - 5 November 2017, [www.berlinerfestspiele.de/jazzfest](http://www.berlinerfestspiele.de/jazzfest)

## **Auguste Rodin. Man and His Genius**

This year marks the 100th anniversary of Auguste Rodin's death. A number of the artist's key works such as The Thinker, The Age of Bronze, and Man and His Thought are held by the Nationalgalerie. Rodin's work is characterized by an unfinished quality and the depiction of fleeting mental states.

Old National Gallery, 17 November 2017 - 18 February 2018,  
[www.smb.museum/en/exhibitions/detail/der-mensch-und-sein-genius.html](http://www.smb.museum/en/exhibitions/detail/der-mensch-und-sein-genius.html)

## **Christmas Markets in Berlin**

More than 60 Christmas markets for all tastes begin welcoming guests starting in November with traditional gingerbread, mulled wine, and roasted chestnuts.

Various locations, from the end of November 2017, [winter.visitBerlin.com](http://winter.visitBerlin.com)

## **New Year's Eve Party at Brandenburg Gate**

Stage programme, party mile and spectacular midnight fireworks show.

Brandenburger Tor und Straße des 17. Juni, 31 December 2017, [www.silvester-in-berlin.de](http://www.silvester-in-berlin.de)

## **Sports Events 2017**

### **Velothon Berlin**

The Velothon pushes cyclists, both amateur and pro, to their limit. Since its première in May 2008, the Velothon has become the second largest cycling event of its kind in Europe. The route makes up for all of the hard-won sweat, as it takes cyclists past the Brandenburg Gate, the Reichstag, the East Side Gallery, and Tempelhofer Feld.

Velodrom, 18 June 2017, [www.velothon-berlin.de](http://www.velothon-berlin.de)

### **Archery World Cup**

Berlin will host various archery world cup events from 2017 to 2019.

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Olympic Stadium Berlin, 7 - 13 August 2017, [www.dsb.de/aktuelles/meldung/5678-Weltcup-Bogen-2017-bis-2019-in-Berlin](http://www.dsb.de/aktuelles/meldung/5678-Weltcup-Bogen-2017-bis-2019-in-Berlin)

## **European Championships in Blind Football**

Even the visually impaired have their own five-a-side football matches, where the coach, the team guides behind the goals, and the goalkeepers (the only players with full vision), guide the team as they play.

Lilli-Henoch-Sportplatz, 17 - 27 August 2017, [blindenfussball-nationalmannschaft.de](http://blindenfussball-nationalmannschaft.de)

## **ISTAF Berlin – International Stadium Festival**

180 athletes, 40 countries, 16 disciplines: Sports enthusiasts are looking forward to the International Stadium Festival Berlin taking place for the 76th time in Berlin.

Olympic Stadium Berlin, 24 September 2017, [www.istaf.de](http://www.istaf.de)

## **44th BMW Berlin-Marathon**

Around 60,000 runners, hand cycle racers, and inline skaters from 120 nations look forward to the BMW Berlin Marathon every year. The 42.195 km route takes them right through the heart of the city past many of the most popular sights. Even the little ones have the day in the spotlight with the Bambini Run and the Mini-Marathon.

Various locations, September 2017, [www.bmw-berlin-marathon.com](http://www.bmw-berlin-marathon.com)

## **Track Cycling European Championships**

The 2017 Track Cycling Championships will bring Olympic and world champions to Berlin's Velodrom on Landsberger Allee where they will race for a total of 17 titles, including the sprint, keirin, and time trial.

Velodrom, 19 - 22 October 2017, [www.rad-net.de](http://www.rad-net.de)

More information can be found at [events.visitBerlin.com](http://events.visitBerlin.com).

[This overview](#) also offers an outlook of the 2017 highlights as well as the upcoming years.

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10<sup>th</sup> Berlin Biennale / Festtage at the Staatsoper Unter den Linden / Athletics Championships / Opening exhibition of the James Simon Gallery

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## Openings, Exhibitions, and Events

### Ultraschall - Festival for New Music

It has always been the ambition of Ultraschall Berlin to invite the best performers of New Music.

Various locations in Berlin, 17 - 21 January 2018, [www.ultraschallberlin.de](http://www.ultraschallberlin.de)

### Internationale Grüne Woche

Trade show and exhibition on nutrition, agriculture and horticulture.

Messe Berlin, 19 - 28 January 2018, [www.gruenewoche.de/en](http://www.gruenewoche.de/en)

### The 68<sup>th</sup> Berlin International Film Festival – Berlinale

February in Berlin is all about film: international stars on the red carpet, enthusiastic fans from around the world – and, above all, some great films. Around 400 films are shown at the Berlinale and tickets are available for everyone, because the Berlinale is the world's largest public film festival. For ten days, the festival features films that inspire, touch and let you discover new worlds.

Various locations, 15 - 25 February 2018, [www.berlinale.de/en](http://www.berlinale.de/en)

### ITB Berlin – The World's Leading Travel Trade Show

ITB Berlin, short for International Tourismusbörse Berlin, is the world's largest travel trade show. Each year in March, over 10,000 exhibitors present dream destinations around the world – from Albania to Zimbabwe. About 180,000 visitors come each year to be inspired and informed for their next dream holiday.

Messe Berlin, 7 - 11 March 2018, [www.itb-berlin.de/en](http://www.itb-berlin.de/en)

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## **Festtage 2018**

The FESTTAGE festival will be returning to its traditional location next year. Where it was brought into being in 1996 by Daniel Barenboim, in the Staatsoper Unter den Linden in the centre of Berlin, it again finds its place after a seven-year stint in the Schiller Theater. The extraordinary musical theatre works by two major 19th century composers will be performed in the fully renovated opera house: Verdi's Falstaff and Wagner's Parsifal, one a new production, the other restaged.

Staatsoper Unter den Linden, 24 March - 2 April 2018, [www.staatsoper-berlin.de/en](http://www.staatsoper-berlin.de/en)

## **14<sup>th</sup> achtung berlin – new berlin film award 2018**

Film festival achtung berlin - new berlin film award presents an entire week full-length, medium-length, short films and documentaries can be watched on the big screens. All films have been produced and shot in Berlin-Brandenburg.

Various locations, 19 - 26 April 2018, [achtungberlin.de](http://achtungberlin.de)

## **XJAZZ**

Jazz is as present and innovative as never before. At the same time Berlin is more than ever the melting pot of European music: Electronic, Classical, Indie and of course Jazz from the German capital are considered top notch in Europe. Its about time to merge all these styles and show the result onto the stages and into the clubs. XJAZZ presents once more bands and projects that have a connection with Berlin.

Various locations, 9 - 13 May 2018, [www.xjazz.net](http://www.xjazz.net)

## **55. Theatertreffen**

Every year since 1964, the renowned theatrical festival has invited ten top-class productions of the current theater season in the German-speaking world to Berlin.

Haus der Berliner Festspiele, 4 - 20 May 2018,  
[www.berlinerfestspiele.de/en/aktuell/festivals/theatertreffen/tickets\\_tt/tickets\\_tt\\_1.php](http://www.berlinerfestspiele.de/en/aktuell/festivals/theatertreffen/tickets_tt/tickets_tt_1.php)

## **Carnival of Cultures**

Colourful four-day street festival with huge carnival parade on Whit Sunday; on Saturday there is also an independent children's carnival.

Blücherplatz, 18 - 21 May 2018, [www.karneval-berlin.de/en](http://www.karneval-berlin.de/en)

## **10<sup>th</sup> Berlin Biennale**

The Berlin Biennale has been set to take place between at different venues in Berlin and will bring together a range of local and international artistic positions. The Berlin Biennale for Contemporary Art is a major world forum for contemporary art, taking place in Berlin, one of the most attractive cities in the world.

Berlin Biennale, 9 June - 9 September 2018, [www.berlinbiennale.de/en](http://www.berlinbiennale.de/en)

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## **Europe and the Sea**

An exhibition of the German Historical Museum in collaboration with the Jean Monnet Chair of European History of the University of Cologne.

Deutsches Historisches Museum (German Historical Museum), 12 June 2018 - 6 January 2019, [www.dhm.de/ausstellungen/vorschau/europa-und-das-meer](http://www.dhm.de/ausstellungen/vorschau/europa-und-das-meer)

## **Berlin Philharmonic**

Concert of the Berlin Philharmonic with Sir Simon Rattle as conductor and Krystian Zimermann at the piano. Works by Leonard Bernstein, Andrew Norman, Magnus Lindberg, Brett Dean, Scott Bradley and Erich Wolfgang Korngold are played.

Philharmonie Berlin, 14 - 16 June 2018, [www.berliner-philharmoniker.de](http://www.berliner-philharmoniker.de)

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## **2018 German Unification Day - Street Party**

German Unity Day celebrates the reunification of Germany on 3 October 1990, making it one of the most important public holidays in the Federal Republic of Germany. The reunification of Germany was preceded by the fall of the Berlin Wall on 9 November 1989. 2018 marks the 28th anniversary of German Unity, and the occasion will be celebrated with a street festival for the whole family.

Straße des 17. Juni, 3 October 2018, [www.visitberlin.de/en/event/10-03-2018/2018-german-unification-day-street-party](http://www.visitberlin.de/en/event/10-03-2018/2018-german-unification-day-street-party)

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Festival of Lights: various locations, October 2018, [festival-of-lights.de](http://festival-of-lights.de)

## **JazzFest Berlin 2018**

Since its foundation as the “Berliner Jazztage” in 1964, Jazzfest Berlin has been among Europe’s most renowned festivals of its kind, with innovation and political topics always part and parcel of its tradition. Following Richard Williams at the artistic helm for three years, curator Nadin Deventer takes on the artistic direction of Jazzfest Berlin from 2018 onwards.

Various locations, November 2018, [www.berlinerfestspiele.de/jazzfest](http://www.berlinerfestspiele.de/jazzfest)

## **Christmas Markets in Berlin**

More than 60 Christmas markets for all tastes begin welcoming guests starting in November with traditional gingerbread, mulled wine, and roasted chestnuts.

Various locations, from the end of November 2018, [winter.visitBerlin.com](http://winter.visitBerlin.com)

## **New Year’s Eve Party at Brandenburg Gate**

Stage programme, party mile and spectacular midnight fireworks show.

Brandenburg Gate and Straße des 17. Juni, 31 December 2018, [www.silvester-in-berlin.de](http://www.silvester-in-berlin.de)

## **Strange Things: Opening exhibition of the James Simon Gallery**

In the future, the James Simon Gallery will be used as an entrance building to welcome visitors to the Museum Island. The newly added, sixth house on the Museum Island serves a visitor center and offers central service functions.

James-Simon-Gallery, 2018 - 2019, [www.museumsinsel-berlin.de/en/buildings/james-simon-galerie](http://www.museumsinsel-berlin.de/en/buildings/james-simon-galerie)

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## Sports Events 2018

### Berlin New Year's Run

For those who want a sporty start to meeting their New Year's resolutions: active Berliners will gather on New Year's Day to run headlong into the new year. The 4 km route from the Brandenburg Gate, past Unter den Linden, to the Berliner Dom and back is friendly to the party-weakened. An application prior to the race is not necessary and neither is there an entry fee.

Start / Finish: Brandenburg Gate, 1 January 2018, at 12noon, [www.berliner-neujahrslauf.de](http://www.berliner-neujahrslauf.de)

### SIX DAY BERLIN (107<sup>th</sup> Berlin Six-Day Race)

When it is cold in winter and people would prefer not to be outside, the Berlin Six-Day Race attracts fans to the indoor cycling track to watch exciting professional sports in a relaxed atmosphere. Various cycling races have always been part of the Six Day Race, including motor-paced races, Derny racing, and sprinting.

Velodrom, 25 - 30 January 2018, [www.sechstagerennen-berlin.de](http://www.sechstagerennen-berlin.de)

### European Football Championship in American Football 2018

The European Football Championship in American Football will be at the Friedrich-Ludwig-Jahn-Sportpark in Berlin in 2018. For football fans from all over Europe but also for players, coaches, and referees, this European Championship tournament will be a very special experience.

Friedrich-Ludwig-Jahn-Sportpark, 2 - 9 June 2018, [www.afvd.de](http://www.afvd.de)

### DFB Cup Final

The DFB Cup is a championship cup contest for German football clubs which started in 1935. It is organised annually by the German Football Association (DFB) and is the second most important national title in German football after the German Championship. Since 1985, the DFB Cup Final has been held at Olympiastadion Berlin.

Olympic Stadium Berlin, 19 May 2018, [www.olympiastadion-berlin.de](http://www.olympiastadion-berlin.de)

### Velothon Berlin

The Velothon pushes cyclists, both amateur and pro, to their limit. Since its première in May 2008, the Velothon has become the second largest cycling event of its kind in Europe. The route makes up for all of the hard-won sweat, as it takes cyclists past the Brandenburg Gate, the Reichstag, the East Side Gallery, and Tempelhofer Feld.

Velodrom, June 2018, [www.velothon-berlin.de](http://www.velothon-berlin.de)

## **Berlin 2018 European Athletics Championships**

Over six days, 1,600 athletes from more than 50 countries will compete for the medals. The program is packed with highlights, thrilling competitions and decisions with each passing minute.

Olympic Stadium Berlin, 7 - 12 August 2018, [www.european-athletics.org/competitions/european-athletics-championships](http://www.european-athletics.org/competitions/european-athletics-championships)

## **100 Miles Berlin - 2018 Run along the former Berlin Wall**

160,9 km along the former border and in remembrance of the victims of the Berlin wall. Either individually or as a relay team.

Friedrich-Ludwig-Jahn-Sportpark, 13 August 2018, [www.100meilen.de/en](http://www.100meilen.de/en)

## **IPC European Championship in athletics of the handicapped**

In 2018 the Friedrich-Ludwig-Jahn-Sportpark in Prenzlauer Berg will host the Athletics Championships for athletes with disabilities.

Friedrich-Ludwig-Jahn-Sportpark, 20 - 26 August 2018, [www.visitberlin.de/en/event/08-26-2018/ipc-european-championship-in-athletics-of-the-handicapped](http://www.visitberlin.de/en/event/08-26-2018/ipc-european-championship-in-athletics-of-the-handicapped)

## **ISTAF Berlin – International Stadium Festival**

180 athletes, 40 countries, 16 disciplines: Sports enthusiasts are looking forward to the International Stadium Festival Berlin.

Olympic Stadium Berlin, September 2018, [www.istaf.de](http://www.istaf.de)

## **45<sup>th</sup> BMW Berlin-Marathon**

Around 60,000 runners, hand cycle racers, and inline skaters from 120 nations look forward to the BMW Berlin Marathon every year. The 42.195 km route takes them right through the heart of the city past many of the most popular sights. Even the little ones have the day in the spotlight with the Bambini Run and the Mini-Marathon.

Various locations, September 2018, [www.bmw-berlin-marathon.com](http://www.bmw-berlin-marathon.com)

More information can be found at [events.visitBerlin.com](http://events.visitBerlin.com).

[This overview](#) also offers an outlook of the 2018 highlights as well as the upcoming years.

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