



August Calendar

"Cat: Where are you going? Alice: Which way should I go? Cat: That depends on where you are going. Alice: I don't know. Cat: Then it doesn't matter which way you go."

Lewis Carroll, Alice in Wonderland

August 7th @ 19.00

IC Dinner of the Month

We will meet at Simoncini Restaurant, Vestergade 70, 5000 Odense C for our splendid monthly feast. This wonderful restaurant is located in the centre of Odense and they offer an intimate atmosphere with spectacular Italian food and wine. This is a great opportunity to meet other internationals and make some new friends! Sign up as soon as possible to enjoy the dinner of the month at sgg@sdu.dk

Price: 150 kr (one course/ one glass of wine)

August 10th @ 10.00

Family day visit to Egeskov castle

Let's visit the remarkable Egeskov castle together. There are plenty of activities for everyone apart from the castle and grounds such as the maze, tree-top walks, Dracula's crypt and a huge playground. We will meet at Odense train station (near the ticket office) and will catch the train to Kværndrup. From there you can either walk, bus or bike the remaining 2.5km. If you have a car, feel free to meet us at the castle. Bring food, picnic rugs, wet weather gear and good walking shoes. All are welcome (with or without children!) Note: for motorcycle fans there will be 100 fully operational veteran motorbikes gathered around Egeskov Castle on that day! Email: annalouisecohen@gmail.com to sign up.

Entry cost (parks and exhibitions only): 180 kr - adults, 110 kr - children, children under 4 are free



by Evelina Kvartunaite

Sometimes I wonder about age. About the meaning of it and the passing time. Some say that age means nothing (unless you are cheese or wine) and others do try to tie many things to years and how old one gets. Numbers become like street signs, like expertise levels in a computer game – if you reach this, you should get this and you end up being defined by the distance and space that separates you from your birth date. And does that imply that we all (should) get better with passing time (like wine..) or do we just become more rigid, more reserved and more jaded.

Picasso once said, "it takes a very long time to become young" and I really feel he knew a fair bit about that. Despite of the expectations of the society (and this again is a very vague term "they"), I want to believe that I am defined by my steps, encounters, creations, mistakes and how much I have learned from them, warm fuzzy footprints I managed to leave in others lives or hearts, dreams that were lingering or dreams that managed to come true, distances I traveled and times I have learned to stay still. I have finally understood what some smart people told me years ago – joy to wake up and not be ashamed of life you are living. Its an amazing feeling. Combined with the feeling that every morning you can still wake up and blow soap bubbles in your balcony in you pijamas and giggle as if you are seeing them for the first time. Being light is a gift of growing wisdom, as Carlo Levi said, "the future has an ancient heart."

And now, on the edge of the complete number turn over in my very own recorded age, I am very happy to say that I finally realized the beauty of being light as a bird and not as a feather.



August 27th @ 20.00

Wine and Nibbles night at Nelle's Coffee & Wine

Nelle's is a must stop for coffee and design lovers and wine aficionados. During the day, there is freshly baked bread and juice on offer. However, in the evening they serve simple plates of great cheeses and charcuterie along with delicious wines from all over the world. Let's spend an evening together in this cosy atmosphere, sampling their menu and getting to know other internationals in Odense.

August 17th @ 11.00

Guided tour of the summer exhibition of Historiens Hus

Come with us on this fascinating historical tour, an informative and interesting walk through the Danish past full of pictures of our Danish city Odense. This year, the summer exhibition at Historiens Hus is about the August Rebellion 1943 (Augustoprøret 1943) in Odense during the German occupation. The rebellion led to the fall of the Danish government and a declaration of a state of emergency in Denmark by the Germans.

Historiens Hus have invited the members of International Club to a guided introduction to the exhibition. The exhibition is in Danish, but the introduction will be in English. Furthermore, there will be short introduction to Historiens Hus. Historiens Hus, Klosterbakken 2, Odense C. (Next to the Cathedral)

Weekend away to Møns Klint

Following the success of our wonderful June trip to Langeland, we are planning another adventure on the weekend of **September 21/22 to Møns Klint**. This striking landmark and tourist attraction stretches along the eastern coast of the Danish island of Møn in the Baltic Sea. The bright chalk cliffs stretch some 6 km and some cliffs fall 120 m to the sea below. This is a perfect trip for hikers, cyclist and nature lovers. We will visit the infamous GeoCenter Møns Klint among other activities. We will stay at the Danhostel. Accommodation, buffet dinner and buffet breakfast will cost **445kr per person**, children 295kr. More information to come. To sign up email Sandra: sgg@sdu.dk

OTHER EVENTS IN ODENSE

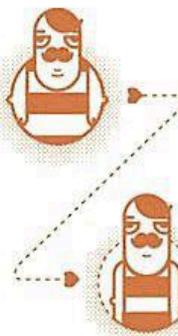
August 21st @ midday (till 3pm)

Free introduction to Job Search for Foreign Job Seekers

Are you new to Denmark? Could you use some practical help and guidance on how to find a job here? Come to this workshop and find out what is important to Danish employers, how to write a motivation letter, CV and prepare for a job interview and get tips on your particular job search and how to improve your opportunities in Denmark. Tea and Coffee is included. Register for the workshop online at workindenmark.nemtilmeld.dk

BIKES PROVIDE AN ANSWER

THE AVERAGE
PERSON WILL
LOSE 13 LBS
IN THEIR
FIRST YEAR
OF RIDING
TO WORK.



20 bikes can be parked in
the same space as 1 car



An MIT study in Lyon, France
found that bikes are 50% faster
than cars during rush hour

SAVING LIVES & DOLLAR BILLS

A study of 11 Midwestern cities found that we could save lives and dollars if citizens ran 1/3 of their errands by bike rather than by car for 4 months out of the year.



1,100 DEATHS

WOULD BE
PREVENTED
ANNUALLY



\$3.8 BILLION

BETTER FITNESS
& FEWER CAR
ACCIDENTS



\$3.5 BILLION

INCREASED
AIR QUALITY



Adding 30 minutes of daily
cycling saves each of us \$544
in medical costs annually

Clearing

*Do not try to save
the whole world
or do anything grandiose.
Instead, create
a clearing
in the dense forest
of your life
and wait there
patiently,
until the song
that is your life
falls into your own cupped
hands
and you recognize and greet it.
Only then will you know
how to give yourself
to this world
so worth of rescue.*

by Martha Postlewaite

