



SDU International Club

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July Calendar

Normal day, let me be aware of the treasure you are.

Let me learn from you, love you, bless you before you depart.

Let me not pass you by in quest of some rare and perfect tomorrow.

Let me hold you while I may, for it may not always be so.

One day I shall dig my nails into the earth,

or bury my face in the pillow, or stretch myself taut,

or raise my hands to the sky and want,

more than all the world, your return.

Mary Jean Irion (American author of essays and poetry)

July 2nd @ 18.00 to 21.00

Italian Cooking Night

Learn to make Ravioli with Wine Tasting at Pasta Fresca, Nedergade 20, 5000 Odense C.

Cost: 220kr/person – min/max. number of participants is 12. Pay on arrival. After making pasta, there will be a sit-down dinner with the owner, Ida. She needs all 12 places to be booked to run the event, so please sign up and support this great evening!

For more information:

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July 3rd @ 19.00

IC Dinner of the Month

We will meet at Simoncini Restaurant, Vestergade 70, 5000 Odense C. The restaurant is located in the centre of Odense. They offer an intimate atmosphere with spectacular Italian food and wine. Sign up as soon as possible to enjoy the dinner of the month at

sgg@sdu.dk

Price: 150 kr.

one course and a glass of wine



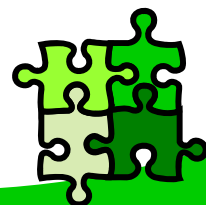
by Evelina Kvartunaite

"The only obsession everyone wants: 'love'. People think that in falling in love they make themselves whole? The Platonic union of souls? I think otherwise. I think you're whole before you begin. And the love fractures you. You're whole, and then you're cracked open." ~ Philip Roth

If you ask me about the moments that open us, I would probably say that they are usually those moments that make you run far away and come back to where you belong instantly.

Life is in the fullest, smallest moments and in its cracks in time. Life is in having to travel far away to remember where you belong. And if you ask me how I hear the waterfall, how I hear the northern lights and how do the white nights smell, I would probably be pretty confused. I would probably stare into space for a while in order to be able to form a decent sentence or at least something vaguely resembling the right combination of words. But I know for sure that I will be always certain of who I would like to share it with and how long to stay up trying to preserve the beauty of long knitted threads of moments.

Therefore, in this moment when the nights have already started getting longer, never underestimate the power of moments!



OTHER EVENTS IN ODENSE

Walking Tour: In Hans Christian Andersen's Footsteps

Go on a city walk in the old part of Odense "In HC Andersen's Footsteps" and hear the many interesting stories about the famous writer's childhood in Odense. You will pass Hans his House, childhood home and the Cathedral. The tour starts and ends at the Rådhuset, Vestergade 2, 5000 Odense C, where you can also buy tickets. Tuesdays and Thursdays, 2-4pm.

Hans Christian Andersen Performances

Come and see the amazing show "20 adventures in 20 minutes" The performance is free and takes place 3 times a day - at 11, 13 and 15 in almost any weather, at Bangs Boder 30, 5000 Odense C.



'International in Odense' Spotlight

Réka Forrai, Postdoctoral Fellow at the Centre for Medieval Literature

Réka arrived in Odense in September 2012 from Hungary to work at SDU.

Additionally, she is a certified Iyengar yoga teacher.

"I belong to a small, new research group, the Centre for Medieval Literature. We are working across many centuries, countries and languages, trying to map out the literary history of the medieval period and to understand Europe's literary past. I personally work on translations from Greek into Latin, and cultural contacts between East and West during the Middle Ages.

One of my favourite things to do in Odense is to roam around the markets on sunny weekends: the farmers market on Saturday and the flea market on Sunday.

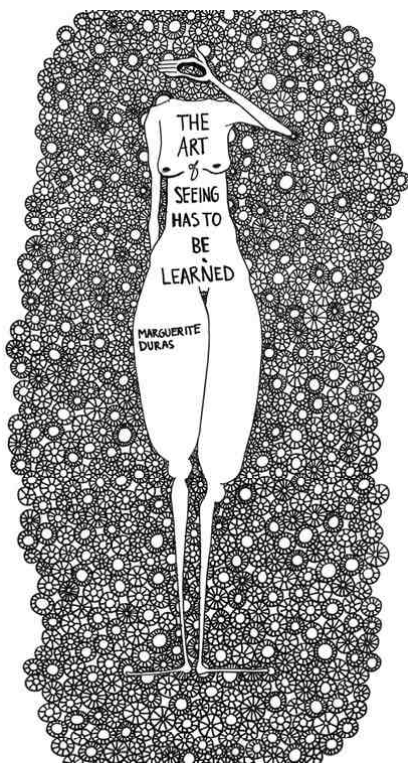
When you arrive in Odense, get a bike immediately and start with a visit to Kerteminde: a cute, small Danish town with a beautiful seaside, a wonderful little museum with paintings by Fynish artists (Johannes Larsen Museum) and the Fjord-bælt center, a great introduction to Danish sea-life.

Denmark is a quiet and peaceful little country. I love the cloud formations on their low sky, all this water everywhere, the long bridges. I love Danish apples. I like both the garden-like character of Fyn and the coolness of Copenhagen alike.

The Danes I know are kind and fun people with a great sense of beauty. I like their bikes and their homes. Most of all, I love their humour. Everything has a little twist to it in Denmark.

Winter, however, can be difficult in Denmark. To get through the long, dark winter evenings, I recommend watching Matador: it is the best Danish Tv-show ever.

Also, keep moving! Dance, run, walk, cycle, swim, or yoga."



It's while it's being lived that life is immortal,
while it's still alive.

Immortality is not a matter of more or less
time,

it's not really a question of immortality but of
something else that remains unknown.

It's as untrue to say it's without beginning or
end

as to say it begins and ends with the life of
the spirit,

since it partakes both of the spirit and of the
pursuit of the void.

