

ANNIVERSARY YEAR 2018

EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

We are celebrating 750 years of Neuzelle Abbey. Experience Neuzelle Abbey as a spiritual and vibrant place – with performances, concerts, festivals, readings or exhibitions. The extensive programme of festivities to commemorate the anniversary promises the very finest enjoyment.

EVENTS

10 May
ABBEY MARKET – CRAFTS MEET CULTURE

18 May
KULTURLAND BRANDENBURG 2018
Official opening of the themed year
"Brandenburg in Europe - Europe in Brandenburg"

30 June
OPEN AIR CONCERT
Brandenburgisches Staatsorchester Frankfurt

19 July – 19 August
OPER ODER-SPREE
Hugo von Hofmannsthal "Jedermann"

08 September
15TH BRANDENBURG VILLAGE AND HARVEST FESTIVAL
Commemorating 750 years of Neuzelle Abbey with a procession

07 – 14 October
FESTIVAL - 750 YEARS NEUZELLE ABBEY

08/09 December
25TH NEUZELLE FAIRYTALE CHRISTMAS MARKET
In and around Neuzelle Abbey

More information at www.750jahre-klosterneuzelle.de

HOW TO FIND US

BY CAR

Coming from Berlin:

A 10 in the direction of Frankfurt (Oder), Müllrose exit (follow signs) or Frankfurt (Oder) Mitte, direction of Eisenhüttenstadt-Guben B 112

Coming from Cottbus:

B 97 in the direction of Guben, B 112 direction of Eisenhüttenstadt

Coming from Beeskow:

B 246 to Eisenhüttenstadt, B 112 in the direction of Guben

BY TRAIN

Coming from Berlin: RE 1 to Frankfurt (Oder), RB 11 to Neuzelle

Coming from Cottbus: RB 11 to Neuzelle

BY BICYCLE

Oder-Neiße-Radweg (cycle path): Exit Neuzelle 3 km



INFORMATION AND TICKETS

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750 YEARS

CLOSE TO HEAVEN

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750 YEARS NEUZELLE ABBEY CLOSE TO HEAVEN

Neuzele Abbey shines radiantly ahead of the 750th anniversary of its founding. The “Baroque marvel of Brandenburg” is one of the most significant artistic treasures in the state. As one of the few completely preserved abbey structures in Europe, the Cistercian abbey offers a unique blend of architecture, culture and garden art.

The story begins in 1268, when Henry III, Margrave of Meissen, founded the abbey. The Late Gothic structure received an ornate Baroque redesign from 1650, in keeping with the Bohemian style – an artistic and spiritual masterpiece that never ceases to elicit wonderment in those that view it.

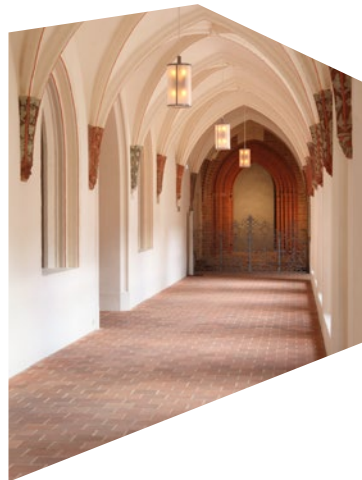
Amidst the picturesque landscape, one feels close to heaven here. This view is also shared by the monks, as they are returning to the River Oder after an absence of 200 years. Cistercian monks of the Holy Cross order plan to reoccupy Neuzele Abbey from 2018.

Worthy grounds for celebration: in the anniversary year 2018 Neuzele is issuing invitations under the motto “Close to heaven” for a high-quality cultural programme that will remain long in the memories of those who attend. **You are warmly invited to join in with the celebrations.**

THE BAROQUE MARVEL OF BRANDENBURG

THE ABBEY CHURCH OF ST. MARIEN

One of the overwhelming impressions to be gained is that of the opulent interior of the Catholic Abbey Church of St. Marien, which has been preserved in its entirety. The Bohemian master builders wanted to deliver a foretaste of heaven when they transformed the original Gothic structure into a true Baroque jewel in the 17th and 18th centuries.



CLOISTER AND ABBEY MUSEUM.

The splendid ribbed vaults and wall painting in the cloister and Abbey Museum bear witness to the Late Gothic architecture of the abbey. In the exhibition valuable exhibits illustrate the history of the abbey since it was founded in 1268, as well as its shifting relationship to religious and political events in Germany and Europe.



MUSEUM OF THE HEAV- ENLY THEATRE

The most precious treasure of the abbey is displayed in the Museum of the Heavenly Theatre: unique of its kind in Europe, it is a passion representation of the Holy Tomb from the year 1750. In the manner of a monumental Baroque theatre, the suffering, death and resurrection of Christ is illustrated on enormous canvases and wooden panels.

ABBAY GARDENS

Behind the garden gates lie the Baroque abbey gardens. Here you can enjoy one of the finest sights in the Oder landscape! The 5 ha park was restored to the original plans. The only Baroque garden in Brandenburg, it is one of the most significant gardens in Germany. The Orangerie houses the Kulturcafé Barocco.



PROTESTANT CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS

The Protestant Church of the Holy Cross stands somewhat to one side, as it was built as a church of the people, whereas the Abbey Church was the preserve of the monks. This church also features plenteous Baroque elements. The fresco in the dome is 128 square metres in size, providing believers with a glimpse of heaven in the truest sense of the word.