

The Berlin Senate's invitation program for former Berliners

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Berlin looks forward to seeing you again

The Berlin Senate started its invitation program to give former Berliners who were forced to leave Berlin during the National Socialist years the chance to see their hometown again.

The remaining funds for the program are for visits made by individual visitors who were born in Berlin or lived here and had to emigrate during the National Socialist years, and who have not previously visited Berlin at the invitation of the Senate.

If you would like to visit Berlin, the Senate Chancellery's Protocol Office would be glad to help you plan your visit.

The Berlin Senate would assume the following costs for a first-generation emigrant and a companion:

- Direct Flight from your hometown within the United States to Berlin, Germany, and back in economy class
- Accommodations for seven days in a middle class hotel booked by the Senate with breakfast, single or double occupancy depending on your preference
- A one-week pass for public transportation
- A visit to the opera or theater if desired
- A visit to the Jewish Cemetery in Weissensee and the dome of the Reichstag

If you are interested in financial support for your trip, the Protocol Office will need the following information:

- Your full name
- Your date of birth
- Your current address
- A copy of your birth certificate
- A declaration that you have not yet taken part in the invitation program

As soon as we have received your documents, we will review them and then contact you with more details on how the Berlin Senate can help finance the trip you will be arranging on your own. Please note that people who have already taken part in the invitation program cannot take part again. In the event that funding is exhausted for a given year, visitors will receive funding for a trip in the following year. We appreciate your understanding.

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Declaration and information

I hereby declare that I, Ms. / Mr.

First name _____

Last name _____,

born on _____,

have not previously taken part in the Berlin invitation program and have therefore received no previous reimbursement from the Berlin Senate for travel costs associated with a visit to Berlin.

Signature

Date

My current address is:

Street name and number _____

City and state _____

Zip code _____

Country _____

Phone: (_____) _____

E-mail: _____

Enclosures:

Copy of birth certificate