

World Heritage Volunteers

Parks and Gardens of Classical Weimar

Classical Weimar

- ◆ Weimar
Thuringia, Germany
- ◆ Cultural property inscribed
on the WH list since 1998

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In the late 18th and early 19th centuries the small Thuringian town of Weimar witnessed a remarkable cultural flowering, attracting many writers and scholars, notably Goethe and Schiller. This development is reflected in the high quality of many of the buildings and of the parks in the surrounding area.



Project objectives: The World Heritage site "Classical Weimar" comprises eleven separate buildings or ensembles. At four of them the World Heritage Volunteers project will take place – at Park on the Ilm, Belvedere Park, Tiefurt Park and Ettersburg Park. The project combines preservation and protection activities at the World Heritage site with an educational part aiming to sustainable management of natural and cultural heritage and a promotional part about World Heritage.

Project activities: Continuing the World Heritage Volunteers projects having taken place since 2012 at the World Heritage site Classical Weimar the project will support the revitalisation of abandoned parts of Belvedere Park. The volunteers will – based on historical plans and in intensive cooperation with the site management – uncover and restore historical paths which had been disappeared some decades ago. A part of the group will – alternating from day to day – carry out different gardening, preservation and protection works in the other parks belonging to the World Heritage site as a model of common practical work in mixed groups of international volunteers and local workers, in the same time enabling the participants to get to know the diversity of the World Heritage site Classical Weimar. In order to illustrate the cultural diversity and to strengthen the exchange about World Heritage in different regions of the world the group will consist of fifteen volunteers from fifteen different countries from three or four UNESCO regions.

Partners: Weimar Classic Foundation; Weimar-Jena-Academy; Thuringian Green League