ROXY CINEMA

Impressive short documentaries show the dreams and experiences of German emigrants and their descendants in the USA, Argentina and Australia. A fourth film portrays Turkish immigrants and their relationships in Germany.

For Families

At the German Emigration Center, the whole family gets insights into the lives of their ancestors. Special guided tours for families are offered, which are always being updated. There is also a scavenger hunt with self-guided tours for the younger generation. For families with children, there is a rest stop with snacks and drinks.

For School Groups

School classes from elementary to high school can visit the thematic museum as a place of extraordinary learning in a variety of ways. Through thematic and foreign language tours, thematic activities, workshops and round table discussions you can move your classroom into the German Emigration Center.

FAMILY RESEARCH

Are you looking for ancestors who emigrated?

Maybe you will find them in the two international databases – the Breman passenger lists and Ancestry without Ancestry DNA – available in the Family Research room. Open every day from 12 pm until closing for museum visitors.

COLLECTION

In your lifetime you – or any of your ancestors – had similar experiences to those whose stories are told in the German Emigration Center?

Then please enrich our unique collection with your family story, respective documents and personal objects, and with this become a part of the museum.

collection@dah-bremerhaven.de

STUDIO MIGRATION

From the past to the present: There is hardly a news program that manages a broadcast without mentioning the topic migration. Are you an opponent, skeptic or advocate of migration? Find out and tell us what you think about current events. Through eye-witness interviews the subject of migration becomes tangible.

program@deutschesauswandererhaus.de

Accessibility

All areas of the museum are accessible to mobility-impaired visitors. The German Emigration Center regularly offers barrier-free tours. For guests with a visual or hearing impairment, there are special offers.

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Opening hours

March–October Daily from 10 am – 6 pm
November–February Daily from 10 am – 5 pm
Last admission is one hour before closing. Museum is closed December 24th.

Directions

By car: From Bremerhaven along the A27 in the direction Bremerhaven/Gothaerhafen, left Bremerhaven-Zentrum, following the signs “Havenwerft”.

By train & bus: From Bremerhaven Central Station take one of the bus lines 903, 505, 506, 508, 509, 40 to the bus stop “Havenwerft.”
Exhibitor: James G. Coughlin Foundation, New York, 1984

Departure 1830 to 1971
From all directions people came to Bremerhaven, the largest immigration harbor on the European continent, to depart for the New World — to the U.S., Canada, Australia, Argentina, and Brazil. Why did 72 million people leave their homeland to start a new life somewhere else? You will discover this in the German Emigration Center.

From Emigrant Stories to Immigration History
What do those who have come to Germany since the 17th century have to tell us? Whether Huguenots, Rohr Poles, migrant workers, refugees, displaced persons or others — family stories of emigrants from three centuries can be discovered throughout the shopping mall from the year 1975. Ranging from work to family to religion, these unique stories offer a fresh look at Germany.

Remember
Use your Boarding Pass to follow the paths of 33 emigrants, who become immigrants in their new homeland. You will get to know two families more closely.

Ottmar Mergenthaler
19.05.1844 – 26.10.1899
Auswanderung
1872 vom Bremerhaven

SPURENSUCHE
Image of a Boarding Pass

TRACING STEPS

Exhibitor: James G. Coughlin Foundation, New York, 1984

Feeling Your Heart Beat
Six weeks in dark steerage cabins of a sail ship with 400 strangers — or six days on an ocean liner with a dance hall and lavish buffet? Authentic narrations allow you to experience the crossing from the perspective of the passengers and afterwards debark onto land. Will you be allowed to enter? The text at the immigration station Ellis Island, located at New York’s doorstop, will show you. Next, in Grand Central Terminal, learn what became of the German immigrants overseas.

Experience Emigration

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Family Stories

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Discover Immigration

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