



# NESW

NETWORK OF ENGLISH-SPEAKING WOMEN

Winter 2019

## Upcoming Meeting Dates in 2019 (subject to change!)

May 24  
June 28  
July 19  
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September 27

Our website is: [www.nesw.de](http://www.nesw.de)  
Monthly registration:  
[registration@nesw.de](mailto:registration@nesw.de)

### A Note from the Coordinating Team

At the end of March, the Hotel Rappen in Münsterplatz, one of the hotels we have been using for Network evenings, will be closing its doors for the last time. You may have read about their plight in the *Badische Zeitung* back in September 2018. Lack of cook and service staff has forced their hand. They are not alone in this situation. As a result, we may see further increases in F&B charges in the Freiburg area.

We are always on the lookout for new venues to host our meetings. If you go to a restaurant in the Freiburg area, with a private function room, that you think might be suitable for the Network, please send us the name of the restaurant so we can follow up with them.

Thanks so much for your help!

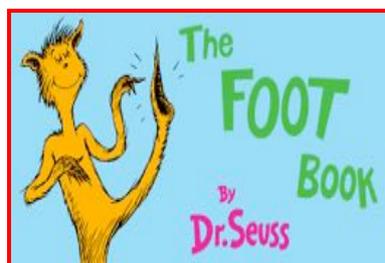
## JANUARY

Friday, January 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm

Do You Know the World of Dr Seuss?  
Member Sabine Karoß 'Translates'  
Text into Dance!

Maybe you have read some of Dr Seuss's wonderful children's books. One of Sabine's favourites is "The Foot Book". 'I love the rhythm of the language and the inspiring illustrations,' she says. 'You could immediately 'translate' the text into a dance - no matter how many left and right feet you have!

When we meet, we will have a lot of fun trying to organize all those different feet (left, right, wet, dry, high, low, black, red) into dances from all over Europe and the U.S. "Here come more and more ... and more feet! Left foot. Right foot. Feet. Feet. Feet. Oh, how many feet you meet!" Sabine, teacher of sport, gymnastics and dance at the PH in Freiburg, is looking forward to meeting many different feet in the newly renovated PH-Gymnasium!



Please be sure to wear comfortable clothes, and bring clean sneakers with you (or other comfortable shoes without heels).

Meeting Point: 6:45pm at the PH-Turnhalle, Höllentalstraße, (no street number), Freiburg-Littenweiler

Dinner at: Pizzeria San Marino, Hansjakobstraße 110, 79117 Freiburg.

## FEBRUARY

Friday, February 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm

Interested in Garden Design?

Get ready to be inspired by the most important and influential gardening show in the business - London's Chelsea Flower Show.



Eve Roth, landscape architect with work experience in the UK, Ireland, Switzerland and Germany, will give us an insight into the latest trends of garden design. Sharing examples from some of the show gardens highlighted in the 2018 Chelsea Flower Show, we will explore which particular style is currently in fashion. We will also take a look at the materials and colour palettes used, plant combinations and usage of space.

Eve will share her experience with regard to English and German garden culture. 'Germans and Brits have very different considerations and approaches towards gardening and garden design,' says Eve with a twinkle in her eye. Having worked in both fields, she will then shed some light on the clichés from her own personal experience!

Eve will finish off by giving us a peek at the Giardina Garden Show in Zürich - a venue which is close by, with an incredibly high standard of design. This is the perfect place to visit for those who wish to be inspired for the coming garden season!

Restaurant: Kantine, Marie-Curie-Straße 1, 79100 Freiburg

# NEWS

## MARCH

Friday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7:30pm

### Finding Your Way - How Creative Souls Make Their Ideas a Reality

With this presentation, we are diving into the world of creative women! After a brief history and exploration of the terms 'creativity' and 'art', our member Ariane Schübler will talk about the challenges creative women face today.



She will share with us the topics that come up the most during her one-to-one coaching sessions, and how she assists her clients in achieving their creative dreams.

With her Greek background, Ariane explains that her business came to life because of her name: *Ariane*. A simple version of the story of *Ariadne of Naxos* taken from Greek mythology goes like this: Theseus was to kill the Minotaur, a monster that lived in a labyrinth and made life hell for the nearby town. All men before Theseus had failed to kill the Minotaur, because they got lost in the labyrinth. Ariadne knew what to do - she held a ball of yarn for Theseus, so that he could find his way through the labyrinth.

'And this is what I do - I help people find their way,' she says, adding, 'maybe this presentation will inspire you to dust off some of your creative ideas and turn them into finished projects!'

**Restaurant:** Ganter Brauereiausshank  
Münsterplatz 18-20, 79098 Freiburg

## Membership Information



30€ Annually  
(due by the end of January)

17.50€ Half Yearly  
(January-June, July-December)

5€ Evening Fee for  
Non-Members  
(to be paid at the evening's event)

Guests and new members are  
always welcome. The evening fee  
is waived for first time guests



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## APRIL

Friday, April 26<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm!

### More Than Simply a Museum!

The *Uniseum* of the Albert-Ludwigs-Universität Freiburg, is a combination of museum and social forum.

Opened in 2004, the museum documents the history of Freiburg's university from its foundation in 1457 up to the German Student Movement of the 1960s. The artefacts are organised on a thematic basis. Each of the university's more influential disciplines - medicine, natural sciences and humanities - has its own designated section, bringing to life the experience of studying in Freiburg in times gone by.



The *Uniseum* also serves as a meeting place for students and teachers attending lectures and seminars, and offers a special events venue and conference centre. It is located in the building of the *Alte Universität* (Old University), which has served as a university building since 1557. The vaulted cellars of the building offer a glimpse into the history of the building and its architectural antecedents.

Today the Albert-Ludwigs-Universität has more than 25,000 students, and over 200 degree programs covering almost all areas of natural and social sciences and the humanities. Join us on this special guided tour of the *Uniseum* and learn more about the compelling and diverse history of one of Germany's elite universities.

**Meeting Point:** 6:45pm at Bertoldstr  
17 (Torbogen), Freiburg

**Dinner at:** 8:30pm at Theatercafé,  
Bertoldstraße 46, 79098 Freiburg

# NEWS

## ANNIVERSARY PARTY FUN!

Twenty-five years ago, in November 1993, founder Susie Padman-Reich laid the foundation for the Network of English-Speaking Women here in Freiburg, and we have been building on her legacy ever since. Today, 160 women have the opportunity to attend a wide variety of events throughout the year, simply by being on our mailing list.

The celebration to mark our 25th anniversary took place on Saturday evening, November 17<sup>th</sup>, at the Ganter Brauereiausschank in the Münsterplatz. Forty smiling faces, and delightful comments throughout the evening, were testament to the wonderful evening enjoyed by all our guests.



To mark the occasion, and in Susie's memory, the Network made a donation of 300€ to her family's chosen charity - SOS Kinderdörfer.



It was very moving to come tonight and learn about the NESW, former members and the beginning of it. Thank you! I love being part of it myself.

- Estefania

I am happy that I have been a member for over 20 years!

- Michaela



Lovely to be a small part of this much, much bigger picture - wonderful founder, and continuously wonderful experiences.

- Adele



Thanks for organizing such a lovely evening. Enjoyed the food and company. The slideshow brought back lots of memories, and I even won a bottle of bubbly. What a perfect evening!!!

- Fiona

Every time I come to a Network meeting, I meet new and interesting women. Thanks so much to the Coordinating Teams over the years for keeping this group alive.

- Tracey



I am enjoying the trip down memory lane - thank you for the photo presentation! 25 years - amazing. I remember getting the newsletter by post! Network has come a long way since then. It's a great celebration.

- Anne-Marie

## WELCOME TO THE TEAM!

Born on the west coast of Scotland, Rhona, age 17, first set foot in Germany on a sunny afternoon in Cologne while on a long train journey to Greece after finishing high school. Work and travel later became a passion!



Studying for a Bachelor of Science degree in Manchester, with additional studies in Glasgow and Edinburgh, Rhona was also doing stints at home in Scotland, where she worked as a countryside ranger and a primary school teacher.

In addition to her work in Scotland, Rhona spent time-out abroad for longer stretches of time teaching English in Spain, Japan and Switzerland, and travelling further afield. It was the stay in Japan that ultimately led to her move to Freiburg a number of years later in 1997. These days, she lives south of Freiburg in a lovely spot with her two children and one-year-old dog Brodie.

Rhona currently works for a doctors' practice in the heart of the city, and enjoys freelancing as a local tour guide in the Black Forest, Freiburg and Basel.

Rhona's hobbies include walking, reading, local history, cycling and cinema.