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Witnesses and Quotes



„We Kiel school children were evacuated....That led to separation from my family for three quarters of a year.... For a long time I did not know.... Are they still alive?“

Elisabeth Hamann, born 1933

„.....it does not matter at all that we lost the war, the main thing is that it is over. That was what mattered most. That this murderous running into the bunker was over....“

Ingeborg Gleich, born 1935



„My parents tried to calm us down: As long as the bunker is moving, nothing can happen....“

**Reinhold Stein, born 1934
(died 2013)**

„.....often my mother and I found shelter in the Flandernbunker. It swayed, the lights went out. We knew: We had been hit. Nobody screamed. It was completely still....“

Lisa Dröge, born 1928



„ ‚Child, it is war. Yesterday, Fiete had to join the army and today, it is war.‘ ‚Mama, what is war and what do soldiers do?‘ „

**Emma Ewert, born 1926
(died 2016)**

As forced labourer at the submarine bunker Kilian, he accepted gifted food, and for that they beat him up and took him to Nordmark re-education camp for labourers. Nurse: “If you cannot get up, you will get an air injection.“

**Stanislaw Pusz, Polen, born 1924
(died 2013)**



Educational Partnerships and Activities

Since 1995, Mahnmal Kilian e.V. cooperates with schools, universities, churches, institutions for political education as well as memorial sites and places of remembrance.

The first proper partnership with a school was signed in 2016 with Hebbelschule in Kiel. In 2017, an exhibition was organised for the first time with the Department of History at Christian-Albrechts-University in Kiel.



Young people are our major target group, as their commitment and their interest in freedom and democracy are the basis of tomorrow's society. The Flandernbunker offers excellent perspectives as an extra-curricular site for historic studies - if possible, with contemporary witnesses. In workshops and during project days, historic contexts



are explored and social learning is fostered. Various methods are applied to relate everyday life during Nazi times to the world of today's youth.

In hands-on activities and conversations, young people can explore the significance of historic events for their own lives. Topics such as moral courage are discussed, as well as how values are formed and how these can change.

We offer: Guided Tours - Workshops - Long Term Projects.

Teachers are encouraged to contact us for further information.

Sponsors, Supporters and Voluntary Workers

In order to continue to reach the organisation's ambitious targets, we have to rely on external support. Sponsorships, donations in kind and financial contributions are as important as volunteers who support us with help and advice. Only together it is possible to translate historic knowledge into the promotion of peace and international understanding as values of our society.

We would appreciate your support of this educational activity.



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FLANDERNBUNKER

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TEACHING HISTORY TO PROMOTE PEACE AND
INTERCULTURAL UNDERSTANDING



A Bunker as Memorial and Educational Site

A symbol against war, suppression and violence in the city of Kiel

Since 1871, during the times of the German Reich, today's state capital of Kiel was known worldwide as the Reich Naval Port. During World War II, Kiel was developed as a bunker fortress - to ensure its role as a naval port and armament production site.

On the east bank of the Kiel Fjord, a 175 m long bunker code named „Kilian“ was erected, to protect the submarine production facilities from bombardment. For this project, up to one thousand forced labourers and prisoners of war were used.

After the war, in 1946, this bunker was blown up by the allied forces. In 1987, this ruin, visible from far away, was listed as a site of historic interest. In 1995, Mahnmal Kilian e.V. was established to prevent its demolition as part of planned harbour expansions, and to preserve it instead as a historic site and war memorial. For this, the Organisation received the German Prize for the Preservation of Historic Monuments - nevertheless, the war ruin was demolished in 2000.



Learning from History for the Future

Aims of Memorial Kilian reg. assoc.

In 2001, Mahnmal Kilian e.V. purchased the Flandernbunker - an authentic testimony of Nazi times and World War II. Today it serves as a place where historic information can be conveyed in a clear and graphic manner. As a ruin, the bunker documents both delusional images of war and defeat. Today it stands as a symbol against war, suppression and violence, and for education as well as promotion of peace in the former Reich Naval Port of Kiel. From here, a connection can be established between personal experience and world history.

In addition, Mahnmal Kilian e.V. offers cooperation with a range of social institutions and creative artists.

The Flandernbunker

The Flandernbunker is a former marine high rise bunker located at the naval port in Kiel Wik. It obtained its name in 1943 in order to strengthen heroic myths prevalent in the Nazi state - there was a „Flanders Place“ nearby with a „Flanders Memorial“, which had been erected in 1927 at „Tirpitzharbour“ to honour the fallen soldiers of the „Navy Corps in Flanders“ in World War I.

The bunker was built between 1943 and June 1944 using forced labour. It has three storeys and a footprint of 550 sqm. Wall thickness: 2.5m, ceiling: 4 m. During World War II, the bunker offered protection for soldiers of the 5. Submarine Flotilla and served as a central radio station and commando point for Kiel, the Kiel-Canal (North-Baltic Sea Canal) and the whole Baltic region. With some restrictions, it could also be used by the civilian population. After the war, the reinforced concrete construction was utilised to store food supplies and weapons.

In 1950, it was rendered useless for military purposes by blowing up parts of the structure to generate openings in the bunker, thus exposing the ruin to decay and natural destruction.

After Mahnmal Kilian e.V. obtained the Flandernbunker for educational purposes and to promote peace, it was registered as a site of historic interest and carefully restored.



Guided Tours and Exhibitions in the Flandernbunker

A guided tour explains the Flandernbunker and its function as well as the route to World War I, World War II and National Socialism. Sometimes, contemporary witnesses tell their own stories and experiences. This allows connections to be established between past and present times.



Exhibitions display historic contexts with photos, texts and videos. Topics covered are: the Flandernbunker itself and its relevance to Kiel and the Navy, the establishment of the Imperial Reich Naval Port in 1871, the uprising of labourers and sailors in November 1918, the dictatorship of the Nazi regime, World War II in Kiel and its present partner cities.



Interview clips of war witnesses and victims of the Nazi regime convey the reality of those days, and temporary exhibitions for students relate to this topic.

On the 2nd floor, one can find relevant exhibitions about history and art. Climbing an iron stair case to the roof of the bunker, the entire Kiel Fjord can be viewed - from the naval port to the memorial in Laboe.

Guided tours take place every first Sunday of the month (except January) at 11.30 am. Groups can visit by appointment at (almost) any time.

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Encourage Memories with „Project Contemporary Witnesses“



The term „encourage memories“ can be taken literally, as it is not easy for everyone to talk about one's own experiences with war and National Socialism.

„Project Contemporary Witnesses“ encourages older

people to talk about their own personal experiences and fate during World War II, so that younger generations understand the horror of that time and appreciate the value of peace, freedom and democracy. Recorded interviews and videos with contemporary witnesses are transcribed, evaluated and archived by our organisation. These materials are utilised for projects in the Flandernbunker, in publications and exhibitions, and also at other sites.



„Bunker, Bombs, People“ - an exhibition of „Project Contemporary Witnesses“ - is displayed in the Flandernbunker. If you would like to pass on your experiences during war times (including before and immediately after the war, as well as experiences during modern day wars), we would like to hear from you by phone or mail. We can arrange an interview either at your own place or at our office.

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