

WWI Museums and Institutions CONVOCATION

SEPT. 7-9
2026

Theme Focus: Living After War: Society, Conflict and the Making of Memory
Bavarian Army Museum, Ingolstadt, Bavaria, Germany

MONDAY, SEPT. 7

Bavarian Army Museum, New Castle

19.00

NETWORKING GATHERING AND PRESENTATION

Matthew Naylor

President and CEO, National WWI Museum and Memorial

Ansgar Reiss

Director, Bavarian Army Museum

TUESDAY, SEPT. 8

Bavarian Army Museum, New Castle

09.30

COFFEE AND LIGHT SNACKS

10.00

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Matthew Naylor

President and CEO, National WWI Museum and Memorial

10.15

MEMORY SHAPED BY WAR

How did wartime experiences - on the front and in *Heimat* - shape the foundations of postwar memory?

Ansgar Reiss

Director, Bavarian Army Museum

NOON

LUNCH (SELF PAY)

Reimann's, Esplanade 10, 85049 Ingolstadt

13.00

GALLERY TOURS AND IN-GALLERY DISCUSSIONS

Rather than traditional gallery tours, participants will engage in small-group, gallery-based inquiry sessions using selected objects, installations and interpretive spaces as case studies for discussion about memory, conflict and museum practice.

Staff of the Bavarian Army Museum

15.00

BREAK

15.15

VICTORY AND DEFEAT AND THE SHAPING OF MEMORY

How and why do societies that experienced defeat ask fundamentally different questions of the past than those that experienced victory?

Discussion led by Manuel Rodriguez

Museum Curator, National Museum of American History

With

Judith Prokasky

Curator, Stiftung Humboldt Forum im Berliner Schloss

Chris Juergens

Senior Curator, National WWI Museum and Memorial

Barbara Karl

Head of Collections and Exhibitions, Museum of Military History, Vienna

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16.30 **HOW WE INTERPRET MEMORY**
Three institutions present on what they are doing to interpret and communicate memory to their public.

Facilitated by **Matthew Naylor**

Featuring: **Matt Anderson**, Director General, Australian War Memorial

Davide Zendri, Collections Manager, Museo Storico Italiano della Guerra

Matthias Nicklaus, Director of City Archives, Ingolstadt History Center

17.30 **END OF DAY**

18.00 **APERRO**

Das Dalwigk, Schlosslaende 27, 85049 Ingolstadt

19.00 **DINNER (SELF PAY)**

Hotel-Gasthof "Zum Anker", Traenktorstrasse 1, 85049 Ingolstadt

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 9

Bavarian Army Museum, New Castle

09.30 **COFFEE AND LIGHT SNACKS**

10.00 **HOW MEMORY IS MADE**

How was WWI memory mobilized, distorted or weaponized in the interwar period, and with what consequences? What does mean for public memory and the rise of nationalism today?

Panel Discussion led by Maria Fritsche

Head of Research, Museum of Military History, Vienna

With

Peter Johnston

Director, Narrative and Content, Imperial War Museums

Karen Derycke

Research Associate, In Flanders Fields Museum

Martin Bayer

State Director, German War Graves Commission

Jan Vancoillie

Researcher, Memorial Museum Passchendaele 1917

NOON **LUNCH (SELF PAY)**

Reimann's, Esplanade 10, 85049 Ingolstadt

13.00 **DEPOT TOUR**

Led by staff of the Bavarian Army Museum.

15.30 **CLOSING SESSION**

16.00 **MEETING CONCLUDES**

**OPTIONAL
ACTIVITY**

THURSDAY, SEPT. 10

Flossenbürg Concentration Camp Memorial

Note: Times are approximate and will be confirmed once travel routes and logistics are finalized.

09.00 **DEPARTURE IN INGOLSTADT**

11.30 **MEETING WITH JOERG SKRIEBELEIT AT FLOSSENBÜRG CONCENTRATION
CAMP MEMORIAL SITE.**

14.30 **DEPARTURE FLOSSENBÜRG**

17.00 **MUNICH AIRPORT**

18.30 **INGOLSTADT**