

## Press Release

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### Renaming of the memorials of the Akademie der Künste to Brecht-Weigel Museum and Anna Seghers Museum

The Akademie der Künste has taken the redesign of the entrance area of the Brecht-Haus Berlin as an opportunity for a change of name. The flats of the artist couple, Bertolt Brecht and Helene Weigel, at Chausseestrasse 125, hitherto referred to as Brecht-Weigel-Gedenkstätte [Brecht-Weigel Memorial Centre], will henceforth be publicly accessible under the name **Brecht-Weigel Museum**. Shaped by the spirit and taste of their former inhabitants, the erstwhile workspaces and living quarters retain the original furniture and everyday objects, alongside collector's items and mementos, such as two Chinese scroll paintings and three masks from Japanese Nō theatre, amongst others. The museum contains the principal part of the bequeathed library of the poet and dramatist, encompassing approximately 4,000 volumes, which is used for research purposes. Chausseestrasse 125 also houses the Bertolt Brecht Archive of the Akademie der Künste and the Literaturforum im Brecht Haus.

Likewise, the new name **Anna Seghers Museum** will from now on be used for this museum located in Berlin-Adlershof. The last flat of the writer Anna Seghers, in the former Volkswohlstrasse 81, today called Anna-Seghers-Strasse 81, is open to the public on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The location is also known as a venue for literary events. The living quarters, preserved true to the original in the style of the 1950s, house numerous mementos, for example from the exile in Mexico, as well as the large bequeathed library in particular, which includes over 7,000 volumes.

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#### Opening hours

Tuesday to Sunday. Closed on Mondays and holidays.

The Brecht-Weigel Museum can be visited as part of a guided tour. Advance reservation is not required.

>> Further information on guided tours at

<https://www.adk.de/de/archiv/museen/brecht-weigel-museum/>

Tickets: € 5 / 2.50

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**Opening hours**

Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 am to 4 pm; closed on holidays.

Appointments on telephone are requested for groups.

Visiting the spaces is only possible as part of a guided tour. Advance reservation is not required.

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Tickets: € 4 / 2

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