



Contemporary witness Hans-Jochen Scheidler during a guided tour.

“For me, Hohenschönhausen is like an X-ray. It shows what life was like inside GDR society.”

Gilbert Furian

How to get here

Gedenkstätte Berlin-Hohenschönhausen

Genslerstraße 66

13055 Berlin, Federal Republic of Germany

- By tramway M5: from Alexanderplatz S-Bahn/U-Bahn or Landsberger Allee S-Bahn (toward Hohenschönhausen/Zingster Straße) to Freienwalder Straße
- By tramway M6: from Alexanderplatz S-Bahn/U-Bahn or Landsberger Allee S-Bahn/U-Bahn (toward Hellersdorf/Rieser Straße) to Genslerstraße
- By tramway 16: from Frankfurter Allee S-Bahn/U-Bahn (toward Ahrensfelde) to Genslerstraße
- By bus no. 256: from Lichtenberg S-Bahn/U-Bahn (toward Wartenberg) to Große-Leege-Straße/Freienwalder Straße

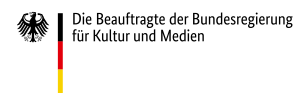


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The Stasi Prison

Visitor information



Gedenkstätte

Hohenschönhausen

Between April 1951 and January 1990, the East German Ministry of State Security (MfS) used the prison in Berlin-Hohenschönhausen as a central detention center to hold thousands of political prisoners. Among them were many well-known GDR opposition activists. Prisoners faced physical violence followed by psychological torture, and were strictly cut off from the outside world and all social contact.

Today, former political prisoners and historians show visitors around the Berlin-Hohenschönhausen Memorial to commemorate the injustice committed in this place. Tours reveal the history of the site, which was used as a Soviet Special Camp after the end of the Second World War. From 1946, the basement secretly housed the central Soviet remand center for East Germany, in the “submarine”. Speakers recount the 44-year history of political persecution, and as well as the Stasi’s arbitrary approach to imprisonment for different inmates.

Exhibitions

Imprisoned in Hohenschönhausen

Testimonials of political persecution, from 1945 to 1989

Open daily from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. | Free entry and Audioguides in English

Involuntary Community

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- The Stasi prison (in German, English, Russian)
- The Stasi prison and the prison hospital (in German)
- The Stasi prison and the “Grotewohl-Express” (in German)
- The Stasi prison and the women’s prison labour (in German)
- The restricted area Hohenschönhausen (in German)

Prices, times and tickets via the website:
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