

GAI Fall Culture Series

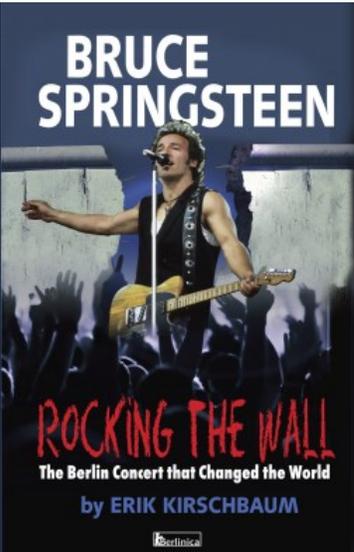
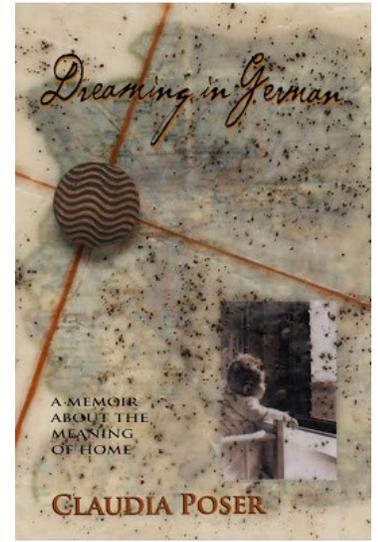
All Culture Series events are free and open to the public

Meet the Author: Claudia Poser, *Dreaming in German*

Saturday, October 19, 11am - Reading & Book Signing

In her memoir, *Dreaming in German*, Claudia Poser shares her perspective on living in Germany during the Cold War, immigrating to the US in the middle of the civil rights movement, and hearing that the Wall had come down. The daughter of East German refugees living in the West, she frequently traveled back across the border to visit relatives until her family moved to South Carolina in the 1960s. Poser chronicles a unique immigrant experience during one of the most dramatic times in history, while simultaneously struggling with the definition of “home.”

For more information about the book and author, please visit www.dreamingingerman.com



Meet the Author: Erik Kirschbaum, *Rocking the Wall*

Thursday, October 24, 7pm - Presentation & Discussion

Can one concert change the course of history? Join journalist Erik Kirschbaum as he delves into the impact of Bruce Springsteen’s East Berlin concert in July 1988 on millions of young East Germans aching for change. In the politically-charged atmosphere of divided Germany, the Boss’s message resonated with his audience and may have helped inspire the social movement that brought about the fall of the Berlin Wall. Combining recent German history with the power of music as an agent of change, Kirschbaum’s book presentation and discussion are not to be missed!

We are happy to partner with the American Council of Germany (ACG) and the German American Chamber of Commerce (GACC) to bring you this event.

German Town: The Lost Story of Seaford Town, Jamaica

Friday, November 8, 7pm - Film Screening & Discussion

Deep within the isolated, undeveloped mountains of Westmoreland lies a village with a history and people unique to Jamaica. It is said that the inhabitants of this village are descendants of German indentured servants who were used to work the Jamaican plantations after slaves were emancipated. Others think they came under different circumstances as runaway prisoners and former soldiers recovering from the Napoleonic wars. This documentary explores the history and contemporary life of Jamaicans of German heritage.

Join us for a screening of this 55-minute film, followed by a discussion with the director, David Ritter. For more information about the film, please visit germantownjamaica.wordpress.com



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