



# Steiermärkische Landesbibliothek

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... DISCOVERING A RICH  
TREASURE OF KNOWLEDGE



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Steiermark

→ State Library

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The escalator in the Grazer Joanneumsviertel brings you to the Steiermärkische Landesbibliothek to your right and the Museum Of Natural History as well as the New Gallery to your left.

## DISCOVERING A RICH TREASURE OF KNOWLEDGE

This explanatory brochure lists the most important information about products and services provided by the Steiermark State Library. Its goal is to be a guide for all people who want to expand their knowledge and work scientifically to explore the rich treasure of knowledge of this venerable institution. The State Library keeps a team of professional librarians on staff for any questions you may have.

Guided tours of the State Library or presentations of the State Library in schools can be arranged.

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We appreciate your interest!



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These books are from the library of the order of the Kapuziners (Capuchin friars) dating back to the early 18th century. The conservation experts of the Steiermärkische Landesbibliothek preserve them and make them available to be enjoyed in the long term.

## MISSION OF THE STEIERMÄRKISCHE LANDESBIBLIOTHEK

The most important function of a library is to proficiently provide information. The Steiermärkische Landesbibliothek, with more than 800,000 media pieces, provides basic literature from all disciplines. It acts as an interface between university libraries and your local city library.

Its speciality, the Styriaca collection and the resulting Styrian bibliography, a comprehensive documentation on Styria (Steiermark), its products, its inhabitants, is considered an inexhaustible pool of topics. But the State Library is also an ideal point of contact for work from the humanities.

Our offering during opening times (Monday through Friday 09.00 – 17.00 h) are

- the rental area incl. user PCs (free Wi-Fi),
- the open access library,
- the microfilm reading area,
- the reading and magazine reading room (free Wi-Fi),
- and the children's and youth library,

all free of charge.

In addition, you can visit presentations and exhibitions in the State Library at no cost to you.

The library card costs 5 euros for students of our schools and universities (instead of 7 euros) per year. The usual rental period is four weeks.

A valid picture ID card is required to get a library card issued.

The State Library opening times during summer and Christmas vacations are 09.00 – 13.00 h.

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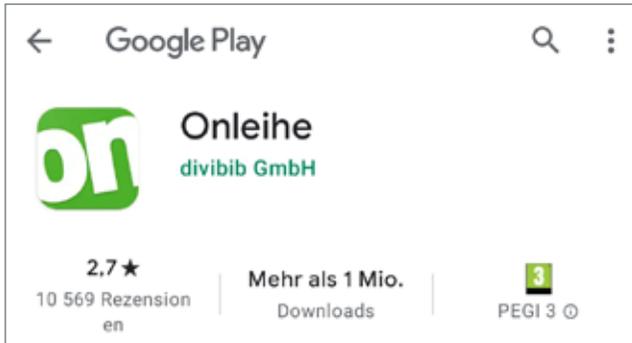
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LANDESBIBLIOTHEK ARE 09.00 –17.00 H  
MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY.

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## OUR RESEARCH OFFERINGS

We offer the following catalogues for searches on the internet:

- Online catalogue
- DigiBib (eMedia)
- RaraBib – digitalised legacy stock (e.g., Rosegger letters)



The 'Onleihe App' is available on the website [onleihe.com/digibib-stmk](http://onleihe.com/digibib-stmk) for download.



Each book has a label with its specific accession number.

### **Library usage**

Research PCs, our academic staff, and our open access library are available to help you find and check out your desired medium. About 30,000 works are available in the open access area, but most of the more than 800,000 media copies are in the library's storage. Usually, you can find all desired media on our website in the 'Online catalogue' or just check with our expert staff.

### **eBooks**

The library offers more than 30,000 eMedia works. The corresponding online borrowing OnleiheAPP is available on the homepage of the website in DigiBib. You can activate its functionalities by entering your User Name and date of birth.

Novels and non-fiction books like online travel guides, for example, can be checked out for three weeks at a time.

The format is compatible with all eReaders, PCs, tablets and smartphones. The eBook reader 'Kindle' will not work, because of the Amazon software.

### **Accession number**

Each book has a label with its specific accession number. The label is usually white; green for the Styrian media.

Accession number, book title and author are the most important pieces of information for finding the correct book or desired media.

### **Structure of the accession number label:**

>> Arabic digits (consecutive book numbers) and

>> Roman numerals (book sizes ranging from I=small to IV= very large);

>> sometimes including letters:

- P for periodicals
- D for the reading room (these media cannot be check out outside the library) or
- L for the open access stacks

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## READ AND LEARN IN PEACE

The Steiermärkische Landesbibliothek is considered an insider tip for readers and learners. This is where you will find several quiet, bright and transparently designed climate-controlled rooms where you can learn and work at your leisure. The following library rooms are available to you:

### **Open access library**

The open access library area offers about 30,000 pieces for you to search and access on your own.

This is where you will find any particular new publications, sorted by subject area.

Our local library staff are available to answer questions and will be happy to help you with checking out your media.

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THE INSIDER TIP FOR PEACE AND QUIET WHILE READING.



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The reading room in the Steiermärkische Landesbibliothek.

During renovations the reading room was equipped with new furniture as well as new infrastructure and now is bright, climate-controlled, spacious and has free Wi-Fi access. To round out the offer, we have made lockable 'dissertation boxes' available for three months without charge to the students.

The magazine reading room with various magazines from a number of fields as well as Styrian, Austrian and some foreign newspapers are also available free of charge.

Unfortunately, the media cannot be borrowed and taken outside of these two rooms. But copies can be made in the checkout area.

NEWSPAPERS AND MAGAZINES ON THE TOPICS  
"CAR" TO "CONTEMPORARY HISTORY"  
ARE AVAILABLE IN THE MAGAZINE READING ROOM.

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## CHILDREN'S AND YOUTH LIBRARY

The children's and youth libraries are located close to the entrance of the Steiermärkische Landesbibliothek. The open access rooms are usually occupied with highly sought-after programmes, enjoyed by schools, daycares, and after-school centres. The programmes consist of events ranging from presentations to workshops, picture book cinema to the most diverse forms of children's and youth theatre performances throughout the year. One particular annual portfolio focuses, for example, on topics such as "being different", "being together – for each other – against each other" or "Our Homeland". There are several schools around the State Library within walking distance. The teachers and the staff of these institutions in particular like to take advantage of the State Library's offers, because like all events of the library they are free to attend.

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TEACHING AND SUPERVISING STAFF WILL GLADLY TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE STATE LIBRARY OFFERS.



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Even our little bookworms will enjoy reading in this child-friendly environment.

## RARITIES AND TREASURES



Old copperplate engraving of Schloss Eggenberg.



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The stacks are organised as rollable shelves and contain about 700,000 media pieces.

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## WHAT ELSE IS THERE IN THE STATE LIBRARY?

### **Bookbinding**

The professional bookbinding team rids old, valuable books from mould and fungi, cleans and improves pages, restores old leather covers, and produces hand-made protective covers for the storage of particularly valuable books. Bequests of legacy documents, like those of the Kapuziner order (Capuchin friars) or by Peter Rosegger, are restored with this valuable craftsmanship and now available for viewing by our patrons.

### **Exhibition and events hall**

The Steiermärkische Landesbibliothek offers a wide range of event programmes to open the venue to our patrons, to increase publicity, and to fulfil the educational mission in a contemporary way. Exhibitions taking place in the beautiful baroque event hall are a way to present the diverse collections of the house in a thematic way. Since 2013, all exhibitions have been exclusively related to the book, but there are also very artistic approaches to the object.



Especially valuable books are restored by our in-house bookbinding staff.



Event hall for presentations and exhibitions.

## CATALOGUES



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Image of the subject based card catalogue, which is now available digitally and can be called up online.

At [www.landesbibliothek.steiermark.at](http://www.landesbibliothek.steiermark.at)

you will find out catalogues, which are available for research via the world wide web from your home or anywhere you have access to the internet:

- > *Online catalogue (from 1945)*
- > *Author-title catalogue (bis 1945)*
- > *Digitalised card catalogues*
- > *DigiBib Steiermark (eMedia)*
- > *RaraBib (digitalised legacy stock by Rosegger)*

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## INSIDER TIP

*The Joanneums neighbourhood in the evening is the insider tip for people who enjoy combining culture with a little indulgence. Take advantage of the offers of presentations and exhibition opening nights as well as cinema and cultural evenings in the Lesliehof combined with culinary indulgences in the Joanneum neighbourhood.*

## DEAR READERS!

We are looking forward to your visit and the chance that you would like to make use of the extensive offers of the Steiermärkische Landesbibliothek.

Of course, we are flexible in terms of time and schedule with regard to guided tours and exhibition visits for groups.

You can support our path to a modern, transparent and successful future. Please send us your requests, ideas and suggestions to:

**landesbibliothek@stmk.gv.at**

Thank You Very Much.

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“IF YOU HAVE A GARDEN AND A LIBRARY, YOU  
HAVE EVERYTHING YOU’LL EVER NEED.”

MARCUS TULLIUS CICERO

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## THE STYRIAN/STEIERMÄRKISCHE STATE LIBRARY IS AT YOUR SERVICE

### Contact us at:

Kalchberggasse 2, 8010 Graz  
Access via the Joanneumsviertel neighbourhood

Tel.: +43 (0) 316/877-4632  
Email: [landesbibliothek@stmk.gv.at](mailto:landesbibliothek@stmk.gv.at)  
[www.landesbibliothek.steiermark.at](http://www.landesbibliothek.steiermark.at)  
[www.facebook.com/stmk.landesbibliothek](https://www.facebook.com/stmk.landesbibliothek)  
[www.instagram.com/stmk.landesbibliothek](https://www.instagram.com/stmk.landesbibliothek)

### Opening times:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and

Friday between 09.00 and 17.00 h,  
Thursday from 09 to 20.00 h. During  
the summer and Christmas holidays

from 09.00 to 13.00 h

### Order and reserve books online:

Email to: [landesbibliothek@stmk.gv.at](mailto:landesbibliothek@stmk.gv.at)  
Your selected book will be available for pick-up at  
the checkout counter.

### Book return box:

Accessible from 06.00 until at least 19.00 h daily  
(during summertime events also until 22.00 h).  
Entrance: Landhausgasse, underpass  
Joanneumsviertel to the Lesliehof.

### Library card:

Annual fee: 7 euro  
Annual fee for students incl.  
university students: 5 euro  
Annual fee for a Styrian family pass:  
10 euro (entire family)

### Checkout term:

4 weeks (can be renewed online and  
per telephone)



Valid picture ID is required for the library card; it  
can be issued at the library or applied for online.

## LITERARY MOMENTS

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*“In libraries, one feels as if one is in the presence of a great asset that quietly contributes incalculable interest.”*

Johann Wolfgang von Goethe

*“Libraries alone are the reliable and lasting memory of the human race.”*

Arthur Schopenhauer

*“I always imagined paradise as some sort of library.”*

Jorge Luis Borges

*"EVERYONE HAS A TALENT,  
BUT IT USUALLY TAKES THE  
ILLUMINATION OF EDUCATION  
TO FIND IT."*

*PETER ROSEGGER*

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