

PERMANENT EXHIBITION – SISTER M. INNOCENTIA HUMMEL

The worldwide famous Hummel figurines go back to drawings of a Franciscan Sister of Siessen. Sister M. Innocentia, called Berta Hummel, was born in Massing, Lower-Bavaria, in 1909. After studying arts, she entered the Congregation of the Franciscan Sisters in Siessen in 1931 where she had lived and worked until her early death in 1946.

In addition to the famous M. Innocentia Hummel with her diverse depictions of children, there is also an unknown side of the artist with watercolors, portraits, the Stations of the Cross and her religious arts. Especially the works of her time in the Convent are to be seen in a permanent exhibition in the Hummelmuseum in Siessen.

Various guide offers

Our guided tours focus on the spiritual message of the works of arts and the monastery complex. According to date agreements, we guide groups to the following topics:

- Baroque Church of St. Marc by Dominikus Zimmermann (built from 1726 to 1729)
- History of our monastery: from 1260 – 1860 Dominican Nuns, from 1860 until today Franciscan Sisters of Siessen
- Hummel Museum: Life and art work of Sr M. Innocentia Hummel
- Stations of the Cross by Sr M. Innocentia Hummel
- The large nativity scene made of natural material by Sr M. Capistrana Bucher (1921 – 1983) – only from Christmas Day up to maximum 2nd February
- The permanent exhibition of scenes from the Life of Jesus Christ and correspondingly the Life of Saint Francis of Assisi created by Sr M. Ehrenfrieda Sieber.
- The art work of Sr M. Sigmunda May (1937 – 2017): Wooden carves and sculptures

Costs for guided tours

There are no costs. If you wish to donate something, it will be used for projects in which our sisters in Germany, Brazil and South Africa are engaged in different ways for disadvantaged children and young people (Kinderfranziskusfonds – Children's Francis Fund).

Information for groups <https://www.klostersiessen.de/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/2021-03-08-EN-group-informations.pdf>

Scenes from the Life of Jesus Christ and analogously from the Life of Saint Francis of Assisi

The permanent exhibition of the corresponding life scenes made of natural materials by Sr M. Ehrenfrieda Sieber in an adjoining room of the Hummel Museum can be visited all year round. It is currently open on Thursday and Sunday from 2:00 - 4:00 pm. During this time, Sr Ehrenfrieda offers a guide to the scenes. Since opening hours may vary, please inquire in advance. In general, we ask groups to register at the Hummel Museum or directly with Sr M. Ehrenfrieda.

Information, registration and guiding tours

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Opening hours

Tuesday to Saturday from 10:00 – 12:00 am

Tuesday to Sunday 2:00 – 4:30 pm

We are closed: Mondays and on the 1st Sunday of the month

Tip: Before a longer journey, we recommend to ask by phone, email or on this page for current information about possibly changed opening hours.

Groups – with or without a guide – please book in advance!

Free entrance.