**ORIENTATION**

The five academy buildings are situated in the beautiful Sondershausen palace gardens. Check in occurs at the reception in the administration building (No. 1). The dining room and bedrooms are located in the adjacent guest house. Parking spaces are provided next to it. Only few steps away are the Achteckhaus (concert hall, No. 5), Marstall (No. 4) and Wagenhaus (No. 3).

**PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION**

An hourly train runs between Sondershausen and state capital Erfurt. The journey takes one hour. From the station you can reach the Landesmusikakademie on foot in about 15 minutes by walking towards the town centre.

**TRAVELLING BY CAR**

The motorway A38 between Göttingen and Leipzig connects Sondershausen to the motorway network via Nordhausen (exit 11) and the Bundesstraße 4 (Nordhausen – Erfurt). Please use “Lohberg 11” as the destination address for your navigation system.

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**ROOMS AND EQUIPMENT**

**ROOMS**
- Concert hall with 300 seats
- Franz-Liszt-Halle, with rehearsal stage 300 m²
- Max-Reger-Halle, 300 m²
- Carl-Schöpf-Hall, seminar room with 30 seats
- 2 rehearsal rooms, 200 m²
- 3 teaching rooms
- 7 practice rooms
- Sound studio, music library
- Common room, cafeteria, café

**INSTRUMENTS**
- Grand pianos in all concert, performance and teaching rooms (Steinway & Sons, Schimmel, Steingraeber, Yamaha and others)
- Pipe organ (Alexander Schuke 1844, two manuals, pedalboard and 9 stops), chest organ (Ernst Wimmer, 1903)
- Harpsichord (Christian Zell replica by Matthias Kramer, 2007)
- Timpani, marimbaphone (Bergerault, 2013), vibraphone
- Stage pianos, guitars, recorder, drum set,
- Various percussion instruments

**STAGE EQUIPMENT**
- Changeable platforms as well as sound and video equipment

**CONFERENCE TECHNOLOGY**
- Smart board, overhead projector, beamer, sound and video equipment
- White boards with staves

**SOUND AND MIDI STUDIO**
- Recordings possible in all rooms
- 12 work stations for music editing on Apple and Windows systems
The Thüringer Landesmusikakademie Sondershausen is a hub of musical work in Thuringia. It hosts and organises workshops, courses, trainings, conferences, as well as concerts and offers rehearsal space.

The main focus lies on qualifying courses for amateur musicians, music pedagogy, gifted education and artistic projects. Since its foundation in 2005, state competitions for youth and amateur musicians are held here. As sponsor and workplace of the Thuringian youth ensembles, the academy is an important partner for musical youth work.

Let us invite you and your ensemble to rehearse in a calm, inspiring and music historically significant environment. Send us your reservations and booking inquiries.

We are looking forward to your visit.

**PROJECTS**

- **MASTER CLASSES**
  - Annual master classes take place with changing instruments or vocals. The final concerts are in cooperation with the Loh Orchestra Sondershausen.

- **CONCERTS**
  - Frequently, we invite to concerts. Since 2005 the matinee series “Noten mit Dip” (“notes with dip”) offers a platform for young and unestablished artists and ensembles.

- **OPEN YOUTH WORK**
  - Ensembles projects, such as the regular German-Polish summer camp, revolve around musical cooperation.

- **DEVELOPING YOUNG MUSICAL TALENT**
  - We offer instrument courses for solo and chamber music, an Easter camp for young violinists, an international workshop for chamber music and training for music monitors.

- **MUSICAL TRAINING AND FURTHER EDUCATION**
  - Important projects are the “C-course” for amateur ensemble leading, professionalising courses for pedagogues and educators, “Music in Primary School”, as well as numerous other trainings and workshops for teachers.

- **AMATEUR MUSIC PROMOTION**
  - Whether piccolo flute, drums or ‘Talking Klezmer’ - we offer a broad spectrum of workshops.

- **COMPOSITION COMPETITION**
  - Since 2002 we promote the creation of contemporary music. The competition is aimed at enabling young composers to an intensive artistic working process at the academy.

- **MUSIC MOBILE**
  - For musically interested young people at kindergartens, schools and events across the whole state, we send out a car, filled with instruments and an accompanying instructor.

- **CULTURE CAFÉ**
  - Guests in this series of conversations are predominantly visual artists, who show a small exhibition in the Academy.

- **YOUTH ENSEMBLES**
  - The academy is sponsor of several youth ensembles: Landesjugendbigband Thüringen (Thuringian Youth Big Band), Landesjugendorchester Thüringen (Thuringian Youth Chorus), Landesjugendensemble für neue Musik, Landesjugendorchester Thüringen (Thuringian Youth Orchestra), Landesjugendphilharmoniker Thüringen (Thuringian Youth Mandolin and Guitar Orchestra).

**GUEST HOUSE**

The academy’s own guest house accommodates for 53 beds in 27 rooms with en suite bathrooms. On the top floor, extra beds can be put in for children to extend the capacity to 60 people. A dining room and a Café can also be found in the house. In summer, tables and chairs in the courtyard invite you to linger. Fresh meals are provided by our in house kitchen, or for larger groups by a local caterer. The whole building is barrier free, as well as the Catereria and entrances to the Marstall and Achteckhaus concert hall.

**MUSIC TOWN SONDERSHAUSEN**

The Academy is located in the district town Sondershausen in northern Thuringia.

The title of “music town” refers to a long and rich musical tradition.

Suggestions for trips in the town area are the “Glückauf” Adventure Mine, leisure park Possen and the Palace Museum. The Kyffhäuser Monument and the Panorama Museum in Bad Frankenhausen with the Peasants’ War Panorama (painting by Prof. Werner Tübke) invite to historical excursions in the local area (20 minutes by car).

The academy is sponsored by the free state of Thuringia.