

# Vienna Allotment Garden Fair

After two years the 18th Vienna Allotment Garden Fair could again take place on the usual spring date. From 29 April to 1 May the "Blumengärten Hirschstetten" (Flower Gardens Hirschstetten) and the organiser EvOTION welcomed numerous allotment garden friends. In good weather conditions almost 100 exhibitors offered their products and services as well as extensive advice.

The official opening took place on Friday at noon by Mayor *Dr. Michael Ludwig*. Under the moderation of the organiser *Klaus Ranger*, the host, City Garden Director *Ing. Rainer Weisgram*, as well as municipal councillor *Mag. Gerhard Spitzer* and district head *Ernst Nevrivy*, wished the exhibitors much success and the visitors a pleasant time.

In his speech, Mayor Dr Michael Ludwig pointed out the great importance of allotment gardens for the urban climate and their important contribution to increasing biodiversity. The mayor, who is an allotment gardener himself, visited the exhibitors afterwards and showed great interest.

In addition to the topics of planning, construction and renovation, the focus was on garden design, suitable with the location.

Those exhibitors, where visitors could find out about the latest trends and innovations in energy and heating, were particularly well attended. The stands giving advice on plant protection and natural gardening were also very popular.

The central federation of allotment gardeners of Austria and the regional federation of Vienna were again fully represented after two years of pandemic. The ladies of the *Women's Expert Group Floridsdorf* sold their home-made products from their own garden for a good cause. The expert advisors shared their knowledge with the visitors. Of course, many questions about allotment gardening were answered. Not surprisingly, also this year, the most frequent question was: "How do I get an allotment garden? ".

Parallel to the fair, visitors could taste and consume to their heart's content at 22 stations on the „Genussmeile“(Enjoyment Mile). Thus fortified, many visitors took the opportunity to stroll through the beautiful themed gardens.

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