



Gerlind Institute for Cultural Studies

Oral History Series

Berlin and I: Vom Mauerblümchen zur Weltstadtpflanze From Wallflower to Metropolitan Plant

Ingrid Veit

Saturday, August 16th, 2014 • 7:30 p.m.

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“Manchmal bleibt eine/r am selben Ort sitzen, und die ganze Welt um eine/n herum verändert sich. Bleibe ich unberührt oder ändere ich mich mit?”

“Sometimes one remains immobile in a place and sees the world around one changing. Do I remain unchanged or do I change, too? How does that happen? Do I take an active part in this change?”

Almost exactly 53 years after the Berlin Wall was built and 25 years after it was torn down in a popular East German uprising, Ingrid will talk about her life in (West) Berlin from the 1970's until today. She grew up in a small village in Northern Germany and moved to Berlin to study Mathematics.

She took part in the political movement in the 1970's after the German student movement had disintegrated into competing groups.

In the 1980's she became a Math teacher and worked at inner city schools in Berlin-Neukölln. She retired because of burnout in 2007. She still gives private Math lessons, but primarily works as Jin Shin Jyutsu (JSJ) practitioner and JSJ self-help teacher. Ingrid is still politically active.

Ingrid's presentation will be in German.



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