



Membership in the Bavarian Public Observatory Munich

Dear astronomical friend,

on these two pages we want to give you some information about the membership in the Public Observatory in Munich.

The Bavarian Public Observatory Munich (Bayerische Volkssternwarte München e.V.) was founded in 1947 and is a non-profit association, which has the task of communicate astronomical knowledge to the public in an intelligible form and to offer amateur astronomers the opportunity to exercise and develop their hobby.

The club at present has about 600 members. About 50 members are "active", i.e. they serve voluntarily a great deal of public tours and support the Observatory.

The Public Observatory is supported in its public relations by the City of Munich, but has yet to carry some of the expenditure by individual contributions (admission fees, membership fees and donations).

As a member you can use many offers of the observatory for free, while making a valuable contribution to the tasks and the continued existence of the observatory.

Membership of the Public Observatory offers you:

- **Free admission** to all events, observation evenings, courses and lectures of the observatory.
- Such announcements can be found in the current program or at our website www.sternwarte-muenchen.de/index_e.html (For lectures and courses, also members need to have a ticket, which you - of course for free - may obtain during the presale at the ticket office or in the office)
- **Free subscription** to the club magazine "Blick ins All" (in German)
- **Free or discounted subscription** all future publications of the observatory.
- **Contact to like-minded astronomers.**
- **Advice and assistance** in obtaining or construct of telescopes and your amateur astronomical activities.
- Free use of the **lending library** with over 1,000 books and many magazines.
- **Participation** in club-house events, such as **astronomical conferences, members evenings, introductory courses** (e.g. in the fields of mirror making and astrophotography), **youth group** meetings and **excursions** (announced in the observatory and at our website).
- As a member you can visit the observatory - regardless of the public visiting hours – also during the day (by prior appointment!) and use e.g. the library.

There are many ways you can exercise your membership of the observatory, for example:

- Through the use of the above offers, depending on your specific astronomical interests.
- Through the use of the observatory's facilities for amateur astronomical activities (observation, photography, etc.) for professional training.
- Through your active participation in the public tours and other objects of the association.

We would like to point out that all this are only offers and suggestions, and from your membership you have no further obligations other than the annual payment of membership fee. A termination of membership can always be done to the end of the year, but there must be at least one month notice in writing before the end.

Also if you will not be able to perceive all the offers of the observatory, you help us with your membership fee in our astronomy education. (By the way, membership fees and donations are tax deductible at the German IRS/IRO.)

And this is how to become a member of the observatory:

Please complete the enclosed application form and send us the application. You can also enter it at the box office or during the day (by prior telephone appointment) in the office of the observatory. **For a family membership, we need a separate application for every registered member.**

Upon submitting the application a one-time registration fee of € 10.00 is payable, which is levied on married couples or families for each registered member.

For reduced member fees, the registration fee is € 5.00.

The annual fee is:

For Adults.....	60,00 €
For Students, trainees, community service or similar (less than 27 years).....	30,00 €
For Couples and families.....	90,00 €

After receiving the admission fee and the fee for membership the membership will start and you will receive your membership card. The entry in the club is possible at the beginning of a year - even retroactively. At the end of the year, we apply an ex gratia arrangement:

- In case of joining **before 1st October** we charge the total fee for the year.
- In case of joining after **1st October** you can not cancel membership at the end of the current year – but in exchange we do not charge a fee for these last 3 months. You therefore pay one yearly fee for the first 15 months of your membership. After that, the membership is continued normally.

Your membership will not be terminated automatically, it is open-ended. You can cancel by one month notice in writing before the end of each year.

For simplifying our administration we ask you to give us a Direct Debit Mandate for your registration and membership fees. We can then charge the amounts by automatic debit transfer. If you like to pay by bank transfer or in cash by yourself, that means more work for you and us.

We are looking forward to welcoming you soon as a member with us!

Your Bavarian Public Observatory Munich

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APPLICATION to
Membership in the Bavarian Public Observatory Munich
(Mitgliedschaft in der Bayerische Volkssternwarte München e.V.)
Rosenheimer Straße 145 h, 81671 München

Last name First name

Street and Nr.:

Postal code and city:

Phone Mobile Fax

E-Mail:

Birth Date professional:

Astronomy skills: none some pretty good

particular astronomical interests:

Do you own astronomical units?
 none yes, details (type, technical data)

Are you already a member of an astronomical organization?
 No Yes, name of organisation:

Obtain regular astronomical journals?
 No Yes, these:

I hereby apply for membership in the Public Observatory in Munich at

1st January 1st October, year (also possible retroactively)

Place, Date

Signature of applicant / Signature of parent or guardian
(For young people under 18 years)

Please do not write below this line!

Aufn.Geb. 10 € 5 € bez. am _____ Ausweis erstellt Ausweis ab am

Beitrag _____ € bez. am _____ Datei erstellt Satzung

Beitragsart: E N FZ FN Selbstabh. BiA

Lastschriftmandat Newsletter Tätigkeitsbericht

Sonstiges:

Dear Members

As part of the well-proven collection process your membership fee can once a year - each in the first week of January - automatically debited from your account. Since this method saves you and us a lot of work, we ask you to give us a direct debit for all cost of membership fee. Participation in the Direct Debit is revocable at any time and causes you - apart from the usual from your bank account maintenance fee - no cost. If you participate in the direct debit do you fill out the form below to debit. Should there be a change in your bank details, please let us know, otherwise return remittance will incur costs, which we must bill you.

Thank you for your help
Your Public Observatory Munich

SEPA Direct Debit Mandate (SEPA-Lastschriftmandat) for SEPA Core Direct Debit Scheme for annual membership fees and registration fee

Bayerische Volkssternwarte München e.V., Rosenheimer Straße 145 h, 81671 München
Creditor identifier: DE06ZZZ00001209742

By signing this mandate form, I authorize Bayerische Volkssternwarte München e.V. to send instructions to your bank to debit my account and my bank to debit your account in accordance with the instructions from Bayerische Volkssternwarte München e.V. As part of my rights, I am entitled to a refund from my bank under the terms and conditions of my agreement with my bank. A refund must be claimend within 8 weeks starting from the date on which your account was debited.

Membership fee for membership number _____
(Entered by the Public Observatory, membership number equals mandate reference)

Name (s) of account holder (s):

IBAN of the debtor:

BIC code:

Name and location of the account-holding institution:

If the account does not have sufficient funds, the custodian bank is not obliged to pay. Partial payments are excluded in debits.

Place, date, signature:

We need to receive your application as an original and signed. If you filled the form electronically, you can already send us the contained data via eMail in advance by clicking this button:

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