

Science Week 2024: Explore the Theme "Common Ground" – The 2024 Programme is Now Online

- Over **300 events** and **500 speakers** from science, art, and society
- Two festival hubs from 1-10 November 2024: Museum für Naturkunde Berlin and Holzmarkt 25, with additional decentralised events at various locations throughout Berlin.
- Participation: Most events are free and open to the public. Registration recommended for select events.
- Highlights: "**Common Sense, Common Science... Come on!**" and the "**Decision Theatre**"
- The Falling Walls Science Summit is part of Berlin Science Week and will be held from 7-9 November.
- More information about Berlin Science Week at berlinscienceweek.com

Art and Science: A Shared Path Towards the Future

Berlin, 01 October 2024 – The festival programme for Berlin Science Week 2024 is now live and available at berlinscience-week.com/programme. From 1 to 10 November, scientists, artists, social and political leaders, as well as citizens, will gather for the 9th time at one of the world's largest science events. This year, the festival's theme is "Common Ground" – a call to bridge divides and find common solutions to tackle global challenges. Berlin Science Week 2024 will place special emphasis on interdisciplinary collaboration – particularly between art and science – and cooperation between different sectors of society. The festival will take place across two festival hubs at Holzmarkt 25 and the Museum für Naturkunde Berlin, with additional events held at various locations across Berlin. Most events are free and open to the public.

Berlin Science Week CAMPUS at Museum für Naturkunde

On 1 and 2 November 2024, the Museum für Naturkunde Berlin will host the Berlin Science Week CAMPUS. The CAMPUS will feature family-friendly exhibitions and over 30 events, including discussions, workshops, and speakers' corners. Highlights include a panel hosted by RWTH Aachen with guests from the fields of science, literature, music, and politics (2 November, starting at 7 p.m.) under the title "Common Sense, Common Science... Come on!" discussing shared visions for a better future and the role of science in achieving this.

Science & Culture FORUM at Holzmarkt 25

From 3 to 10 November, the Science & Culture FORUM at Holzmarkt 25 will explore the connections between art and science. The curated festival programme will take place from 8 to 10 November, for the first time offering a diverse lineup of events across multiple stages simultaneously. Starting 3 November, the "Tiny Galleries" will open, allowing visitors to experience ideas and concepts at the intersection of art and science. Two key events at the Science & Culture FORUM are the Art & Science Conference on 8 November and the Closing Party on 10 November.

At the Art & Science Conference, scientists and artists will come together to explore new modes of collaboration between these disciplines. A series of talks will address how art and creativity can integrate with scientific research and technological innovation. Leading figures from the European art and science community, including representatives from the European Commission's S+T+ARTS initiative, will participate. In the workshop "Forecast Condensed: Coding the Human," pioneering practitioners will have the opportunity to pitch their art-science projects to established creative mentors for feedback and developmental support.

"Geo.X – The Research Network for Geosciences in Berlin and Potsdam" will host a screening of the short film How to Begin and a subsequent discussion on 8 November at 7 p.m. The event, titled "Narrative Science – A Film Creates the World," will feature marine biologist Antje Boetius and theatre director Alexander Eisenach, discussing the commonalities of storytelling in both art and science.

Berlin Science Week Across the City

In addition to the two main festival hubs, Berlin Science Week will, as in previous years, offer numerous events at various locations throughout Berlin. This includes the "Decision Theatre," an interactive format taking place from 5 to 7 November at the Wissenschaftsforum Berlin, where audiences can simulate and experience the real-time impacts of political and societal decisions based on scientific data.

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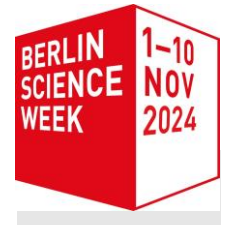
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Another highlight of Berlin Science Week is the event "Endangered Science: Self-Censorship," scheduled for 1 November at 7 p.m. at Humboldt University of Berlin. The discussion will focus on how protests, threats, and online attacks impact scientific work and institutions.

Accreditation and Contact

Journalists are invited to apply for accreditation to attend Berlin Science Week and the Falling Walls Science Summit. Please send your accreditation requests to Hannes Schlender, Interim Press Spokesperson, Falling Walls Foundation, press@berlinscienceweek.com.

About Berlin Science Week

Every year from 1 to 10 November, the international festival Berlin Science Week brings together Berlin's most innovative scientific organisations and their international partners. It promotes open and interdisciplinary exchange and is one of the largest science events in the world. It is organised with the support of the Senate Department for Science, Health, Care and Equality and Berlin Partner for Business and Technology. The festival is organised by the Falling Walls Foundation gGmbH, which also coordinates the Falling Walls Science Summit at the heart of Science Week, on the day the Berlin Wall fell. berlinscienceweek.com

About Falling Walls Foundation

The Falling Walls Foundation organises the annual Berlin Science Week and Falling Walls Science Summit. The goal is to showcase the latest scientific breakthroughs and foster interdisciplinary discussions. These events bring together thought leaders from science, politics, business, and society to develop innovative solutions to the global challenges of our time. fallingwalls.com

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