

ŽIŽKÁRNA

Cultural oasis in the center
of České Budějovice



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BRINGING DIVERSE CULTURE TO OUR CITY

VISION

"To create a cultural oasis in the city centre. A place where all participants of culture can find a home. A place where citizens can go to relax, play sports or get inspired. A place that connects generations, industries, professionals and amateurs. A place where everyone can realise their potential and fulfil their dreams."



REDEFINITION OF BARRACKS

Žižkárna is a cultural space that offers a unique atmosphere of the old barracks in České Budějovice.

We try to bring unusual performers and genres that don't get space elsewhere. We help local bands and regularly organize music evenings together.

Together with our visitors, we give new life to the area. We are building on the past, but giving it the colour it lacked.



TEAM



Jiří Krčmář
President of the
association



Petra Hadová
Finance and HR
Bar



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Bar and food



Radek Matoušek
Marketing and PR



Vojtěch Divoký
Head of programme
and production

**And another
dozen volunteers
and temporary
workers!**

WE'VE TURNED A RUIN INTO A PLACE THAT LIVES

We started in 2019, when Žižkárgna was a ruin. Leaky windows, a layer of dust and overgrown grounds.

Then the covid pandemic hit, and we undertook a complete renovation of the interior, but we also started our regular programme in full swing.

Since then, we have handled hundreds of events for tens of thousands of people.



VISION FOR BUDĚJOVICE 2028

Žižkárná will become a haven for the local creative sector in 2028. A place of meeting and inspiration, but also the first place where foreign visitors will head for authentic experiences.

Žižkárná will be a benchmark for quality programme, where everyone is welcome without distinction. A place without prejudice and judgement.

In 2028, Žižkárná will be one of the focal points for the programme and facilities of Budweis 2028.



OUR VENUES IN DETAIL

SMALL INDOOR VENUE

Capacity:

- 150 people
- 50 people seated

Operating time:

- Runs all year

Technical equipment:

- Active sound system (Cerwin-Vega)
- Lights (gobo, blenders, spot-lights, led par)
- Event recording with fixed cameras

Ideal use:

- Small concert
- Club night
- Ted-talk
- Theatre
- Slam poetry



GARAGE INDOOR VENUE

Capacity:

- 350 people
- 150 people seated

Operating time:

- May – October (do not have heating)

Technical equipment:

- Active sound system (Cerwin-Vega)
- Lights (gobo, blenders, spot-lights, led par)

Ideal use:

- Concerts
- Bigger parties
- Ted-talk
- Theatre
- Slam poetry



NÁSYPKA OUTDOOR VENUE

Capacity:

- 600 people

Operating time:

- May – October

Technical equipment:

- Active sound system (Cerwin-Vega)
- Lights (gobo, blinders, spot-lights, led par)
- Fixed stage 6x4m

Ideal use:

- Concerts
- Ted-talks
- Theatre
- Slam poetry
- Farmer's market
- Outdoor cinema



BUZERPLATZ OUTDOOR VENUE

Capacity:

- 2000+ people

Operating time:

- May – October

Technical equipment:

- Individual rental support

Ideal use:

- Concerts
- Theatre
- Farmer's market
- Street food market
- Large outdoor cinema
- Sport live streams



OUR REGULAR EVENTS

MULTI GENRE CONCERTS

We organize concerts of all genres from hardcore through rock to indie.

We regularly invite young up-and-coming musicians and local bands.

Several award-winning musicians and musicians representing the Czech Republic at Eurovision have also played in Žižkárná such as Aiko or Katarzia.



PARTIES // DHOGH

During the year we organize several parties, where we always try to bring new music genres that are not commonly found in the city.

We also do themed parties, where we take care of every detail for the best experience for the visitors.

Our flagship events are the club nights DHOGH, which we organize together with the Veit brothers. DHOGH is based on experimenting with genres, creative set design and special drink menus.



FARMER'S MARKETS

For the past four years we have been organising farmers' markets where we give space to local farmers and artisans to sell their products.

The markets are also a kind of brunch where friends and families regularly gather to spend a relaxing Sunday afternoon in Žižkárgna.

The markets are also always accompanied by a local singer-songwriter and a children's theatre.



STREET FOOD MARKETS

We try to organize street food markets mainly with the local gastro scene, which we always enrich with several food trucks from different parts of the country.

We always try to offer a wide variety of cuisines and bring new and novel dishes.

We also include cultural accompaniment whether in the form of a band, DJ or other performance.



CRAFT BEER FESTIVAL

Brewing has a very long history in the Czech Republic and Czechs love beer.

That is why several hundred microbreweries have been established in recent years, which are taking the beer culture further.

With the fact that České Budějovice is strongly connected with beer, we wanted to offer Budějovice residents a small feast of beer culture, but we also used it as an opportunity to introduce not so well-known bands and genres.



ČUČ FEST (CHARITY EVENT)

ČUČ Fest is a charity event organized by one of our members and his friends.

The proceeds always go to a local non-profit organization, in the past it has been children with Down Syndrome. The event is always interspersed with concerts and other various performances.

In addition to the ČUČ fest, we host several other smaller charity nights throughout the year.



ŽIŽKÁRNA FEST

ŽižkáRNA fest is a two-day festival at the end of summer that makes local culture really diverse.

In the programme you can find theatres, lectures, concerts, parties, as well as exhibitions and debates with artists.

It's a celebration not only of ŽižkáRNA, but of the whole community without which it could never exist.



PLANNED IMPROVEMENTS

Green hill:

- We plan to create an artificial hill covered in grass where people can sit and enjoy the events.
- A community garden will also be placed there with fresh herbs and vegetables.

Shading tarps

- As our outdoor spaces are made of a tarmac they can become really hot in the summer. We will hang large tarps or cloths from surrounding buildings to create shade.



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