

Mission Statement

.lkj) – Landesvereinigung kulturelle Kinder- und Jugendbildung Sachsen-Anhalt e. V. (State Association for Cultural Education for Children and Young People Saxony-Anhalt) is the umbrella and professional association in the state of Saxony-Anhalt for

- cultural education for children and youth
- voluntary services in culture and education at home and abroad
- broad cultural work and social culture.

In the .lkj) Saxony-Anhalt, state-wide professional associations for child and youth cultural work as well as cultural institutions of state-wide importance are organized as members. As a nationally recognized provider of youth welfare according to the Social Security Code, SGB VIII, .lkj) Saxony-Anhalt is an important link in the cross-sectional task between social work, education, culture and civic engagement.

The .lkj) Saxony-Anhalt aims to

- represent the interests of its members and the affiliated children and youth on a political and professional level
- secure the promotion of cultural education and socio-cultural offers and improve them as needed
- develop and test new impulses for specialist work
- consciously reach everyone in the sense of inclusion and diversity
- combine cultural, intercultural, political and global education to promote holistic forms of living and learning in the digital and analogue world

- make a contribution to cosmopolitanism and tolerance, against racism and right-wing extremism in Saxony-Anhalt with international youth culture projects
- promote civic engagement in the field of culture and education, in particular, all forms of voluntary service in culture and education
- support democracy education for all target groups with cultural education measures.

The target groups of .lkj) Saxony-Anhalt include

- children, youth and adults to acquire and expand key competencies regardless of age, gender identity, ascribed disability, religion, origin, nationality and sexual identity
- volunteers and committed individuals in the field of culture and education
- politics and administration to safeguard the interests of our members
- specialists in member organizations and socio-cultural centres for advice and quality development
- the general public through information and communication on our website, social media and in print media.

.lkj) Saxony-Anhalt belongs to the Federal Association for Cultural Children and Youth Education (<u>Bundesvereinigung Kulturelle Kinder- und Jugendbildung (BKJ) e. V.</u>) and wants to contribute together with its specialist structures to ensure

- that all children and youth find a wide range of activities in the fields of art and culture, develop a zest for life and develop cultural as well as transcultural and intercultural skills
- that the infrastructure of those responsible for cultural child and youth work is secured locally, state-wide and nationally as well as internationally and the field of work is strengthened
- that cultural education for children, youth and adults is recognized and promoted as an indispensable public task in youth, culture, education, media and social policy
- that responsible bodies of popular culture and cultural education in the .lkj) Sachsen-Anhalt find a specialist, cooperative and political forum that ensures the performance and innovative capacity of cultural education.

Resolved by the board of the .lkj) Sachsen-Anhalt on 22 January 2018.