



Experience Viennese City Bears!

International Society for Support and Understanding of City Bears around the globe

About the City Bear (Ursus Urbanus)

While fellow species such as the American Black Bear (*Ursus Americanus*) and the Brown Bear (*Ursus Arctos*) are known to be rather shy and nature bound species, the Viennese City Bear has not only adapted to urban culture and behaviour,

but has also been learning from other domesticated species such as popular urban pets (dogs, cats) and human beings themselves. Thus he has completed a fascinating transition from a wildlife beast to a well adapted representative of the urban animal kingdom.






What to experience

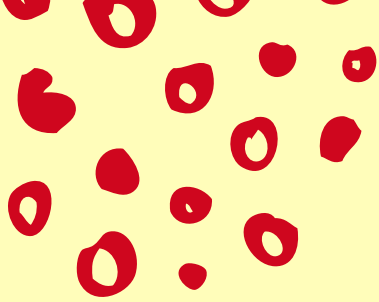
Watch two middle aged City Bears in their natural habitat (a traditional loft apartment), observe their almost humanlike behaviour, interact and learn about the species and how to get along with local City Bears in your own city.

Our zookeeper is very happy to share information about City Bear lifestyle, behaviour, interaction with bears and the history of the Viennese City Bear Society.

If you are lucky you can join us for the feeding slot and will have the chance to interact and bond with the city bears through feeding rituals. You can become a city bear patron and join on our occasional walks on which we will train the city bears and you can introduce your urban life to them.

Join the Club! It's fun!





The Performance

Based on the sensing of an acute global fear of adapting to new cultures and customs, Klara Rabl and Marc Carnal created an immersive performance for children and audience of all ages.

By creating the narrative of a recently discovered new species of the animal kingdom - which has adapted perfectly to our postdigital and urban human lifestyle - they approach the topic of becoming acquainted with new cultures and behaviours from a comic and light perspective.

Bears with humanlike behaviour have been covered as a topic in many stories such as *Paddington*, *The bear that wasn't* and *The Bear went over the mountain* - these stories have been the inspiration for creating the bear characters of the performance. In order to establish understanding between the seemingly strange bears and the audience, the guide and zookeeper interacts with both sides and is the performative gamechanger of this performance that questions the superiority of human culture and race alike.





Details


The performance was first realized with **Dschungel Wien** in 2015 and is further developing ever since.

The creators themselves act as the bears, the zookeeper is played by a professional actor. We have a strict code of conduct amongst the performers to guarantee safety at all times and avoid breaking character.

The performance can take place in any provided space with the possibility of separating the space, creating a zoo-like atmosphere. We experienced better interaction with the audience outside conventional theatre spaces. We have minimal technical requirements and travel in a group of 3 to 4 people including all performers.

We welcome all inputs to develop the performance further according to a special venue, follow ups or so (the stay in the venue for preparation might prolong) or a new kind of i.e. Tokio City Bears

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