

**Museum in der
Kulturbrauerei**



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What do a rucksack, a radiator and baby shampoo have in common? These are things that people from East Germany buy using their Welcome Money, after the fall of the Berlin Wall in 1989. Many buy specific things to fulfil long-held wishes, but others make spur-of-the-moment decisions. Thirty years on, Berlin photographer Sophie Kirchner has created a series documenting these objects and the people who bought them.

The pictures tell of the wishes people fulfilled using the 100-Deutschmark "Welcome Money" that was paid out in the autumn and winter of 1989. These are recollections of dreams long harboured, and of spur-of-the-moment purchases. Reminiscences of the pictured buyers accompany the photographs, and you can listen to excerpts in the exhibition. This glimpse of the past also tells us a lot about the subjects' present-day experiences and their hopes for the future.

Building on Sophie Kirchner's photographs, the exhibition invites visitors to join a conversation: what did you buy with your Welcome Money? What are your wishes today?

Opening hours:
Tue–Fri 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.
Sat–Sun 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.

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OFFERS

Guided visit with the photographer

November 17, 2022, 6 p.m.

Duration 1 hour

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Find dates for German-language guided tours
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Bookable guided visits

Guided visits of our exhibition can be booked free of charge for groups of 10 people or more. Please discuss the date, size of the group and your needs with our Visitor Services. Tours generally last 60 minutes.

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