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Press Information

Varus' Legions Are There 15.000 Mini-Romans Move into the LWL-Römermuseum

Haltern am See (IWL)

At the moment the last of 15.000 Mini-Romans are moving into the LWL-Römermuseum. The toy figures, about 7 cm in height, will represent Varus' three legions on their march into disaster during the exhibition "IMPERIUM" (16.5.-11.10.09) This is the first time that the army of little Roman soldiers has been seen complete in an exhibition .



Photograph: LWL-Medienzentrum/Sagurna

The director of the museum, Dr. Rudolf Asskamp, said "We want to use the toy legionaries to represent the mighty army which Varus unknowingly led into destruction 2000 years ago, for once in a quite different fashion". The army, which at that time was several kilometres in length, is represented now by about 220 metres in the LWL-Römermuseum. The Mini-soldiers are figures belonging to the Flash Film Production Company Armin Maiwalde, which staged the Varus Battle with the legionaries in 2005 in the German TV programme "Sendung mit der Maus".

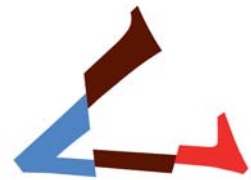
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Renate Wiechers, responsible for the museums-for-schools-programme at the LWL, let us into a secret „Not all the little legionaries keep to their marching order all the time“. Eight legionaries absent themselves ever so often. School children from the third to the fifth classes will go in search of the runaways during the guided tour “Legionaries disappeared”. In the process they get to know this part of the of the exhibition held by the LWL-Römermuseum well”.

The museums-for-schools programme is part of the extensive programme of guided tours of the exhibition “IMPERIUM”. Alongside the tours for school children and students from the third to the 13th classes there are also thematic tours for adults, in which, for example Augustus’ granddaughter, Julia, or the Roman legionary, Fenestela, report on their times.

Up to now more than 700 tours have been booked.

The exhibition “IMPERIUM” is part of the exhibition “IMPERIUM CONFLICT MYTH 2000 Years Varus Battle”. Rome’s rise to being a world power is being shown in the Halterner Seestadthalle from the 16th may. Apart from that the exhibition spotlights the political achievements of Augustus and the flourishing of art and culture during the “Golden Age”. The man who lost the battle, Publius Quinctilius Varus, appears in a new light; his career and the places where he operated



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Ausstellung IMPERIUM

Seestadthalle
Lippspieker 25
45721 Haltern am See

Opening hours (from the 17th of May 2009)

Tuesday to Friday: 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Saturday 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Sunday: 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Admission charges

Adults: 9 Euro

Families: 20 Euro

Students: 2 Euro

Reduced rate: 6 Euro

Groups with more than 16 persons: 7 Euro per person (plus charges for guided tour)

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