

## Highlights

**#5**/2024



Portrait of Franz Kafka on a tram in Prague, the Czech Republic

ARTS UNVEILED

### Why the Whole World Loves Kafka

One hundred years after his death, Frank Kafka's work hasn't lost any of its relevancy. Generations of readers have been enthralled by tales such as Metamorphosis or The Trial which transport us to a shabby world, both enigmatic and eerie. To this day, the writer from Prague inspires people all over the world. What makes Kafka's writing so universal and current? How did the writer capture humanity's burden in a way that few can match? And why are our lives often "Kafkaesque?" Questions answered by international Kafka experts on **Arts Unveiled**.

Starting Sat 25 May on YouTube DW History and Culture Starting Sat 25 May 05:00 on TV

DOCFILM

### Wake Up on Mars

To fly to Mars in his very own spaceship – something 11 year old Furkhan dreams of doing one day. The Roma boy is desperate to escape the hardships of his everyday life. Together with his parents and his siblings, he fled Kosovo and arrived in Sweden, where the family hopes to be granted asylum. While they wait for a decision on their applications, Furkhan's older sisters Djeneta and Ibadeta fall into a mysterious, stressinduced coma. Now, all the family can do is care for the girls. The documentary **Wake Up on Mars** is a visually gripping metaphor for the fate of people who've had to flee their homeland and fear for their future.

Starting Sat 1 June 11:02 on TV

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THE 77 PERCENT

# Young People in Today's South Africa

It's been 30 years since South Africans first cast their votes in free elections.

The 77 Percent travelled to South Africa to find out what young people who never really witnessed the apartheid era make of today's South Africa. Street artist Senzo Nhlapo shows us Soweto, the heartland of anti-apartheid resistance. Young voters speak about the political issues they care about. And in the Street Debate, Edith Kimani talks to Johannesburg's youth about the trust in the country's established parties, as faith in Mandela's ANC wanes.

Starting Sat 25 May 05:30 on TV

SPORTS LIFE

#### **Dancing for Iran**

She wouldn't be allowed to perform in Iran, her parents' homeland: Vivian Assal Koohnavard is a professional dancer. At the Staatsballett Berlin, the ballerina feels privileged, so she wants to support Iran's dance community. But for her that's not easy, as dancers there risk their lives every day under the current regime. Her dream? To teach dance to children in Tehran some day. **Sports Life** reports.

Starting Sat 1 June 07:15 on TV



Vivian Assal Koohnavard





Ali Can Pektas at a European Championship match against Italy

TOMORROW TODAY

# The Language of the Chimpanzees

Piecing several sounds together into a meaningful sentence. It's not just us humans who can do this, but apparently chimpanzees can too. And their communication is more complex than initially thought. Scientists are now setting out to decode the grammar of chimpanzee language. Discover how that works in **Tomorrow Today**. The science magazine also asks: Why do locusts form swarms? How does a robot fish collect information about the health of the oceans? Where is the world's largest optical telescope located? And what are the "pillars of creation?"

Starting Sat 18 May on dw.com Starting Sat 18 May 01:30 on TV

DOCFILM

### Ali and the Sound of the Ball

Ali Can Pektas is a master of the game. Like soccer star Lionel Messi, he swerves past his opponents before cracking the ball into the corner of the net, even though he can't see. Pektas has been blind since birth. He's already secured the German championship title several times with his club SF BG Blista Marburg. As a member of the German national squad, he's taken part in top level European competitions and a world championship. But the ambitious footballer still has one dream: To represent Germany at the Paralympics. Will he realize that goal and get to stand on the pitch at this year's Paralympics in Paris? Find out in the documentary **Ali and the Sound of the Ball**.

Starting Thu 13 June 01:15 on TV

**BUSINESS BEYOND** 

### Can the EU Afford to Expand?

Russia's invasion of Ukraine in 2022 moved expansion back to the top of the European Union's agenda. And, for the first time in years, its leaders are pushing for the EU to grow. But the countries in line to join up are socioeconomically poor by comparison to many previous entrants, and some Europeans worry that enlargement will threaten their own livelihoods. In this episode, **Business Beyond**'s Marie Sina travels to Poland and Montenegro. She speaks to citizens about their fears and hopes concerning EU enlargement and investigates the potential for problems that lie ahead.

Now on YouTube DW News

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#### Deep Sea Greed

What would be the consequences of industrial exploitation of the ocean floor? A deep-sea expedition in the Pacific explores this question. Raw materials have been mined on land for thousands of years, often with negative consequences for nature and people. DW broadcasts the two-part documentary **Deep Sea Greed – Exploiting the Ocean Floor**.

Part 1 Starting Fri 7 June 01:15 on TV



Ships on a deep-sea expedition to the Pacific

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