



Inauguration 20-21 June 2019 of Wittgenstein's house in Skjolden

Thursday 20 June 2019

10:00-10:30am **Welcome to Luster.** Reception of governmental and other long-distance morning travellers at **Eide Farm in Skjolden** where Wittgenstein periodically stayed.

Light meal with the board of the Wittgenstein Foundation.

11:00 Open session in Fjordstova in Skjolden:

«Inauguration of Wittgenstein's house»

11:00 Head of the «Wittgenstein Foundation in Skjolden», **welcome by mayor of Luster municipality, Ivar Kvalen.**

11:10 Dismantling and reerecting a 105 year old cultural relic:
«How we did it.» Demonstration of the project in pictures and video by members of the board Harald Vatne and Trygve Martinussen supplemented by the contractor Ole Martin Bakken, Metre AS.

11:40 **Dr. philos. Knut Olav Åmås, Director of Fritt Ord:**
On the international aspect and commitment.

11:55 **«One Life – Three Universities»** - on the participation of students from the universities in Berlin, Cambridge and Manchester by Architect MNAL and Professor, Harald Røstvik.

12:10 **Director of the Department of Buildings, Monuments and Sites at the Directorate for Cultural Heritage, Linda Veiby:**
The project in context of national cultural heritage protection.

12:25 **County mayor Jenny Følling:** Greetings from the county of Sogn og Fjordane

12:35 Greeting from the **Austrian Ambassador to Norway, Wilhelm Maximilian Donko**

(Eventually also other brief statements by prior agreement)

Approx. 12:45 **Deputy Minister Sveinung Rotevatn** declares the formal completion of the Wittgenstein house (unveiling cannot take place at the actual site due to safety measures and lack of space; possibly video from «Østerrike»)

13:00 **Departure to «Østerrike» (the local name of the site of the house)**

Shuttle bus – priority by accreditation, otherwise private transport/on foot.

The Deputy Minister rows his crew in a rowing boat across the Eidsvatnet lake, as Wittgenstein made his way to his house. Other guests on foot or by mini shuttle bus.

14:00 Presentation of the house incl. water windlass and more. Light refreshments.

14:45 Walk (or other transport) back to Skjolden.

16:00 Back in Skjolden for mingling and rest. Open café in Fjordstova and at Eide Farm.

18:30 **Banquet at Skjolden Hotel**

By registration by email to post@stiftinga-wittgenstein.no

Aperitif, 3-course dinner from local produce. Opportunity for greetings.

Artistic session at the hotel terrace with the Luster fiord and Molden as backdrops:
Oda Heidi Bolstad (1987), Skjolden - Hardanger fiddle

Friday 21 June 2019

08:00-09:00 Breakfast

09:00 **Mini seminar in Fjordstova in Skjolden**

Free entry for children and students, our sponsors and other collaborators – for others the fee is NOK 200.

09:00-09:15 **Knut Olav Åmås**, dr. philos og Director of the foundation Fritt Ord:

«Wittgenstein – a fascinating life and philosophy».

09:20-09:50 **What made *me* stop at Wittgenstein?**

6-7-minute replies from the representatives of these disciplines:

Author **Vigdis Hjorth**

Artist/conceptualist **Marianne Heske**

General practitioner, dr. med. **John Nessa**

Architect MNAL, Professor **Harald Røstvik**

10:00-10:30 Panel: **"Wittgenstein criss-cross"**, chaired by **Knut Olav Åmås**

- 10:30-10:45 Break
- 10:45-11:10 **“Great thinking - The influence of the place”**
Professor Charles Verharen, Howard University, USA.
- 11:10-11:35 **“Bringing Wittgenstein Home”**
Showing Wittgenstein's Norwegian Side in His Hometown
Radmila Schweitzer, Secretary General of Wittgenstein Initiative, Vienna
- 11:35-12:00 Presentation of the **art project «ORD og STED»:**
Seminar given in Skjolden 27 April and 14-day workshop this June,
by curators **Karen Helga Maurstig and Aud Marit Skarrebo Holmen.**

The art project «ORD og STED» [word and place] has focussed on the relevance of Ludwig Wittgenstein to our present time and contemporary art, text and words in graphic arts and landscape art.

Seven Scandinavian artists have taken part in a seminar and a 14-day workshop in Skjolden. During the workshop they have created landscape art/installations localized around Skjolden.

12:00 Practical information

12:05-12:55 **Lunch**

13:00-15:00 **Philosophical walk in Skjolden**
- free bounds of thought from plot to peak -

To the seven artworks/installations of the art project «Ord og sted»

Guided by art historian **Silje Heggren** and with the artists present.

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