



Claus Hoffmeister

This is an interview of Mr. Hoffmeister's migration to Finland, to a nature that has become close to him. Before coming to Finland Mr. Hoffmeister lived in Bruchsal in Germany. Now he is enjoying life in Finland - working as an art teacher in the German School in Helsinki and living in Espoo next to a forest. The interview is taken in autumn 2009 from Elina Saalfeld, Silja Seppälä and Fanni Ammann.

Dr. Stephan Tschirpke

After what felt like years of searching, the group consisting of Hilma Immonen, Keea Kauhanen and Jutta Salminen finally found someone who fitted perfectly for their film project "Emigration from Germany to Finland", as they were dealing with this very theme in history class.

The person in question was Dr. Stephan Tschirpke and in the following footage you can witness his story about moving from the former DDR to Finland, what troubles and joys it brought with it and his thoughts on identity, the effects of changing your lifestyle and leaving what you've known till then behind.



Jochen Faugel

When the young Austrian of Rumanian parentage, Jochen Faugel, student at the University of Vienna, falls in love with a Finnish Girl who is planning on returning to her home country the following year, he decides to follow her and finish his studies in the Skandinavian city Helsinki. Two years after this life-altering decision Jochen Faugel tells us about both the loss of one's hometown as well the experience of turning a foreign city into one's new home.

Heike Subra-Wiethoff

11 years ago, Miss Subra-Wiethoff moved to Finland. It was a spontaneous decision. After she met her future husband in France, she followed him to Finland, where he had a job. Shortly after the migration she already began to look for a job herself, which was how she came across the German school in Helsinki. She applied for a job and is now teaching German and French. Originally from Germany, she says Finland is her second home and she wouldn't want to leave.



Mr. and Mrs. Kuzay

The little film is displayed as a slide show that contains various pictures of the couple that we interviewed. We synchronized the interview due to low sound quality. Throughout the film we tell their story, how they met each other, the places they lived in (e.g. China, Germany), how they ended up in Finland and how this changed them.