



AC 70-72



BERLIN 2012

JULY 30th - AUG 2nd

We started off in the South of Wales with walks in field and flower
Forming friendships old & new in a gorgeous place called Gower.

After 40 years, the hair is grey or gone.. we're not the same.
Thanks to Ross's name tags, though, we can match the face and name.

Then off to old AC we go to find two things incredible:
Dorm rooms resemble pig sties now, but the food is actually edible!

They've got a fancy tent set up to give a financial plea.
But we've had enough, and so we're off - to Marcross we shall flee.

It's a short plane ride from there to here, from dorm rooms wet and skanky
To city Berlin we've been welcomed with hotel rooms quite swanky.

Jeannette greets us the first day with joy and knowledge, too.
At the building's top, she explains a lot - we had a fantastic view.

Peter led the boat ride then - historical sites were seen.
His accent made us stop and ask, "Jam of a castle" - what does that mean?

But then we heard "I'll add a few words" - we hear stories of Berlin.
As Ulrich shares his passion and heart history comes alive again.

Their house's garden is a work of art with fuchias 'round its edge.
The art and house are so well thought out they escape with only minor damage.

The second day's got some somber parts: the third Reich and the Pergamon.
The Heckeshe Hofe (did I say that right?) and the Neus Museum.

But the mood is merry at Hasir with food and beer for all.
We go to bed, but Nathan and "the kids" go off on a midnight crawl.

The third day we see castles and kings, Potsdam - the Sanssouci.
Marble and gold and secret doors then on to the Bilder Galerie.

Solid walls of portraits rare, by the painter's school they're grouped.
Dutch on the left, Italian on the right - past Tinteretto and Ruben we trouped.

Neues Palais and Friederisko - fascinating history there!
Then it's off for us to search for ice cream, shade, and chair.

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Sunset at the Wirtshaus Moorlake - we could stay forever - spirits lift.
Well, almost all of us could stay - but the driver's at end of shift.

The fourth day starts with the GDR and the Neue Galleria's perfection.
Its modern art is second only to Ulrich and Nathan's collection.

Getting people in the bus is hard - calls to gather are seldom heeded.
Border guards are not what we want - border collies are what's needed.

To the KaDeWe some folks will go from many things to choose.
For one, though, the shopping's done - Lene has her new shoes.

We've seen gold and gems galore that gave many a king pleasure.
But it's Ulrich, Ilse, and Nathan's hospitality that is our greatest treasure.



Dear AC-friends,

Our 40th AC anniversary is getting closer, and we do hope to see all of you at the Great Reunion in St. Donat's on July 27-29!

As agreed in Istanbul, here is our

Invitation for a follow-up in Berlin.

Quite a few of you have already announced their coming. All others, avoid the Olympic turmoil in London and join the crowd in Germany's buzzing reunited capital. It's easy to get here, there are even flights from Cardiff!

We are planning four special days (and nights) for you, with sightseeing and history, city feeling and fine dining, and enjoying each others company, from July 30 to August 2. The official program will be set from Monday morning to Thursday night, with an informal meeting as people arrive on Sunday, and the option for an extra day at the end.

Berlin offers you two airports, both with easy access to the city. So wherever your flight takes you, it will be OK, as long as it is Berlin!

See you in Berlin,
Ulrich Koestlin and Ilse Schmiedecke (Petersen)

Questions, wishes, suggestions? Let us know!
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AC REUNION

PROGRAM

Welcome to Berlin, the vibrant capital of Germany!
Nowhere else you can gain a closer experience of
German culture and history.

Accommodation @ The Westin Grand Hotel Berlin, Friedrichstr. 158, 10117 Berlin, tel: +49-30-20270
Check in possible from 15h00, Check out until 12h00

Monday, July 30:

- 09.30-12.00 Pick up at hotel. Walking tour of the historical city center incl. a visit of the Kollhoff Tower at Potsdamer Platz with a fantastic view of Berlin.
- 12.00 Lunch at Restaurant Theodor Tucher near Brandenburg Gate, Pariser Platz 6a, 10117 Berlin. Meeting point for all those arriving during the morning only.
- 13.45 – 16.30 Private boat tour of Berlin, starting/ending Moltkebrücke, 15 walking minutes from the restaurant.
- 16.30 Bus transfer back to your hotel.
- 18.30 Private reception at the house of Dr. Ulrich Köstlin, Kronenstr. 71, in walking distance from your hotel.
- 20.00 Dinner at restaurant Maximilians, Friedrichstr. 185, 10117 Berlin.

Tuesday, July 31st:

- 09.30-12.30: Pick up at hotel. Guided Tour Third Reich and War.
- 12.30 Lunch at restaurant CUM LAUDE at the Humboldt University, Universitätsstr / Ecke Dorotheenstr., 10117 Berlin, 5 walking min from Pergamon Museum / Museum Island.
- 13.30 Meeting with your guide Dr. Jeannette Malin-Berdel at the restaurant.
- 14.00. Guided visit at Pergamon Museum.
- 16-19h: options offered: free time or visit to the Neues Museum
- Back to the hotel on your own or stay in the city and walk 10 minutes from Neues Museum to Hackesche Höfe
- 19.00. Bus transfer from your hotel to Hackesche Höfe.
- 19.15 1 h walking tour of Hackesche Höfe / Scheunenviertel. Meeting Point: Bus parking at Oranienburger Str / Monbijoupark. End of tour at the restaurant Hasir.
- 20.15 dinner at restaurant HASIR, Oranienburger Str. 4, 10178 Berlin.
- Back to the hotel on your own.

Wednesday, August 1: Full Day excursion to Potsdam/Sanssouci

- 08.30 Pick up at hotel. Guided Tour of Potsdam (Sanssouci + Bildergalerie; Gardens; Neues Palais including the Exhibit Friederisiko)
- 09.20-11.10 Guided visit of Sanssouci/Gardens,
- 11.10-12.10 Guided visit of Bildergalerie

- 12.30-13.30 Lunch at Restaurant Drachenhäus (www.drachenhäus.de)
- 14.45-16.45 Neues Palais. Guided visit of the exhibition Friederisiko.
- 17.15 Bus transfer to Holländisches Viertel, the historical city center of Potsdam, and free time
- 18.45 Bus transfer to restaurant
- 19.00 Dinner at Wirtshaus Moorlake, Moorlakeweg 6, 14109 Berlin
- 20.30 Bus transfer back to hotel.
- 21.00 End of tour at hotel.

Thursday, August 2:


- 10.00-13.00. Pick up at hotel. Guided Tour GDR and Wall.
- 13.00-14.00 Lunch: at Hamburger Bahnhof Museum, restaurant Sarah Wiener .
- 14.00 Meeting with your guide at the restaurant. Guided tour of the Hamburger Bahnhof, Contemporary Art and Sammlung Flick;
- 16.30-19.00: options offered: free time or visit to the Neue Nationalgalerie
- 16.30 Bus shuttle Museum Hamburger Bahnhof – Hotel – Neue Nationalgalerie – KaDeWe (the biggest department store of Berlin). The bus stops at KaDeWe and goes back to the hotel at 18.30.
- 19.45 Bus transfer Hotel – Clärchens Ballhaus.
- 20.00 Farewell Dinner and Dance at Clärchens Ballhaus, Auguststr. 24, 10117 Berlin.

Friday, August 3:

- Individual departures after breakfast. Check out until 12h00 .






VOUCHER / LEISTUNGSGUTSCHEIN

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ABREISE / departure	03.08.2012
LEISTUNG / service	01 SGL incl. breakfast (358834581)

EXTRAS / extra services	Extras (z.B. Getränke, Minibar, Pay TV) sind zahlbar vor Ort Extra services (drinks, minibar, pay TV) to be paid on spot
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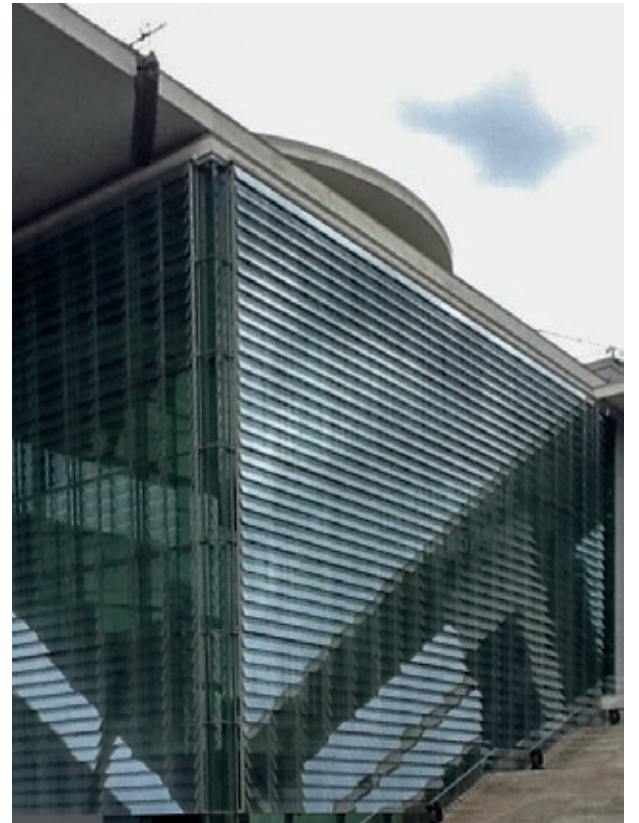


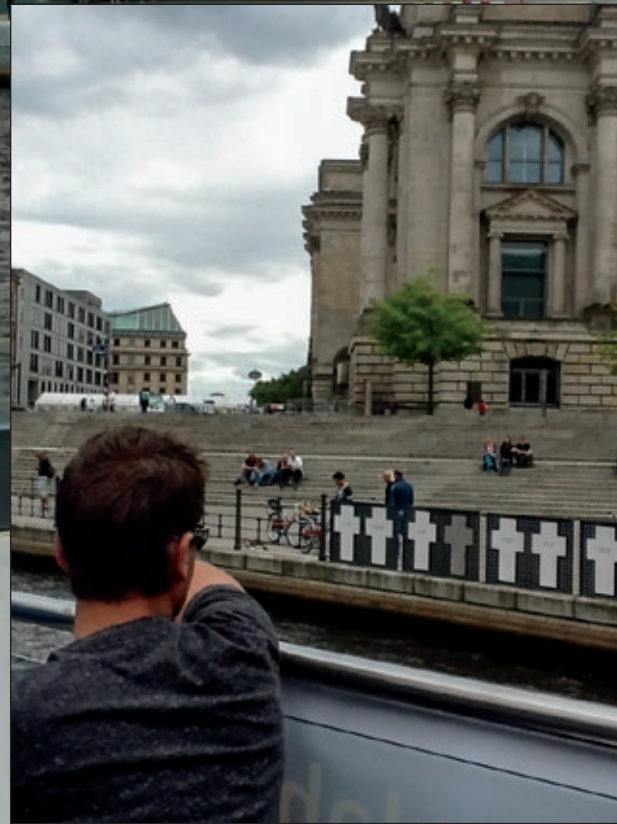












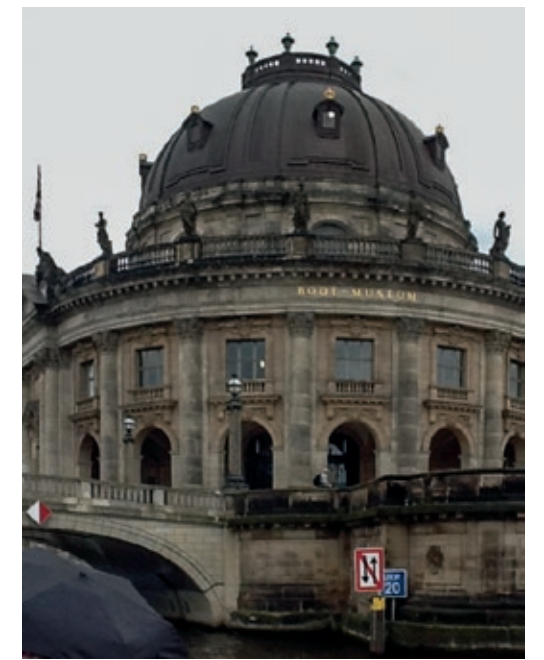
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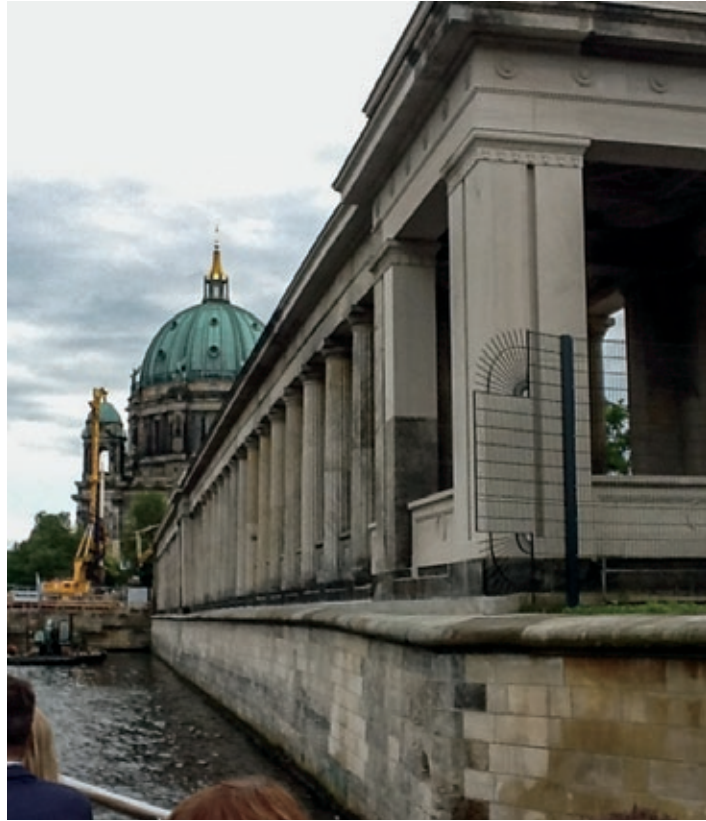
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Klaus Schröter
† 4.11.1963

Hans Rawer









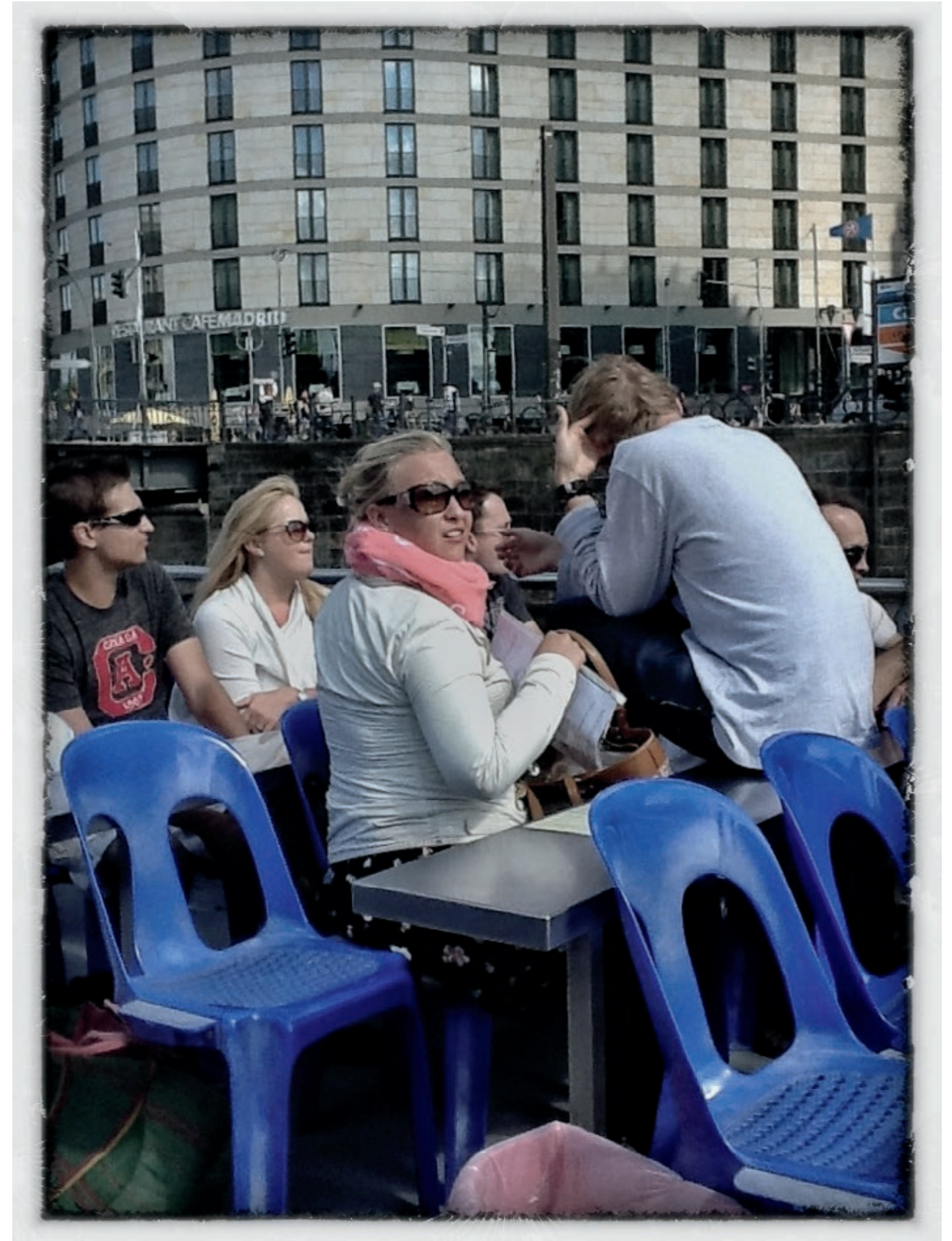














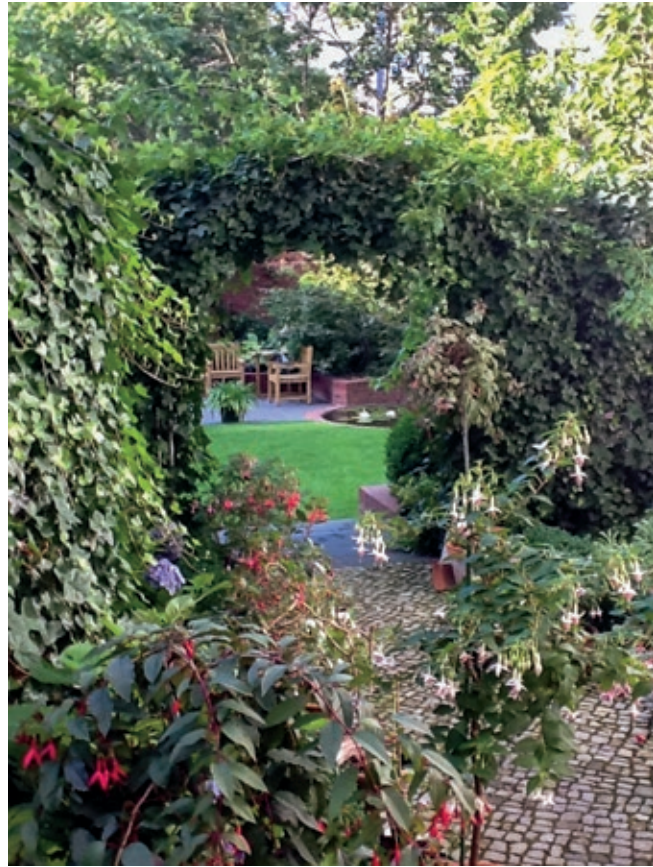












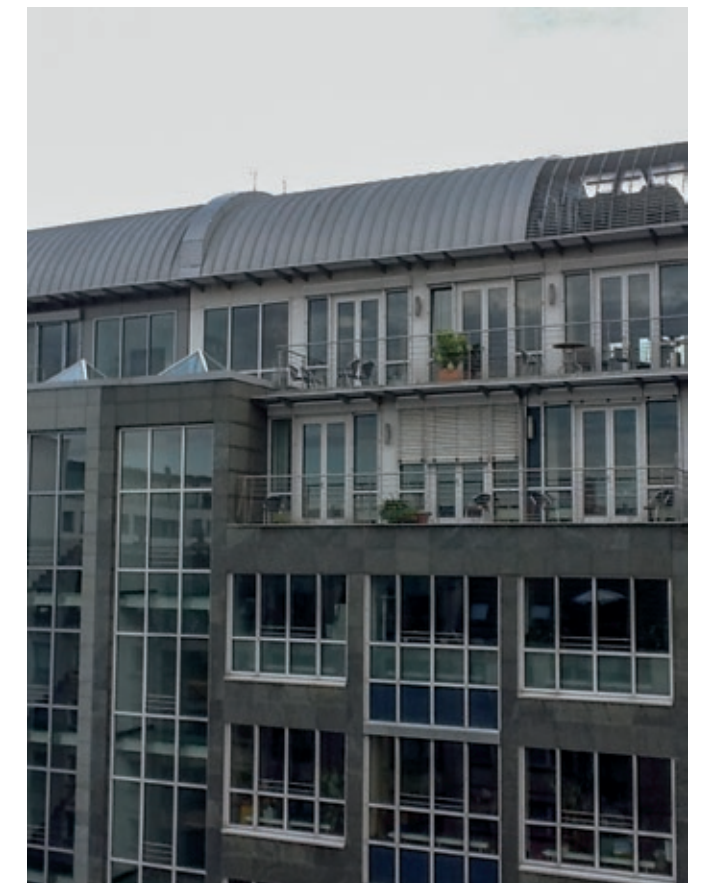












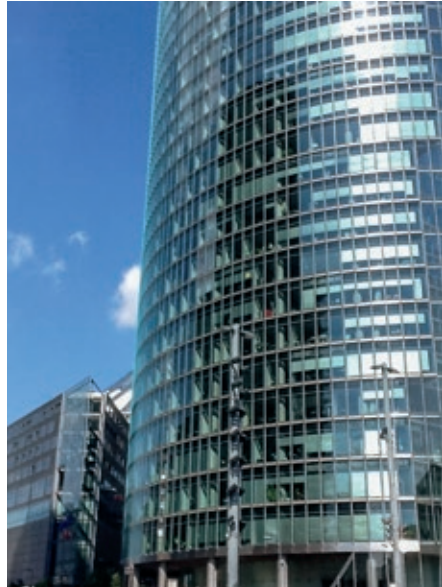
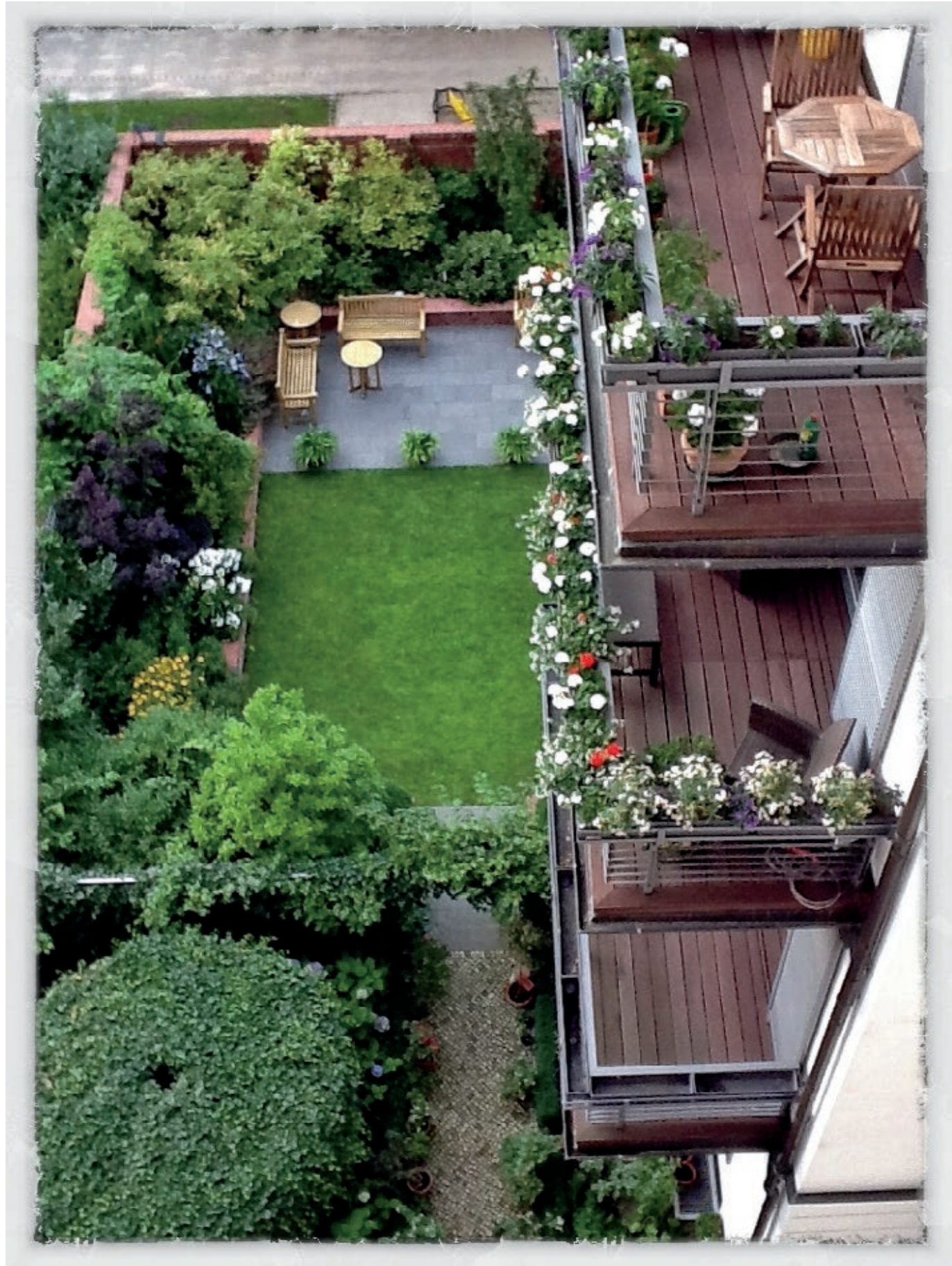


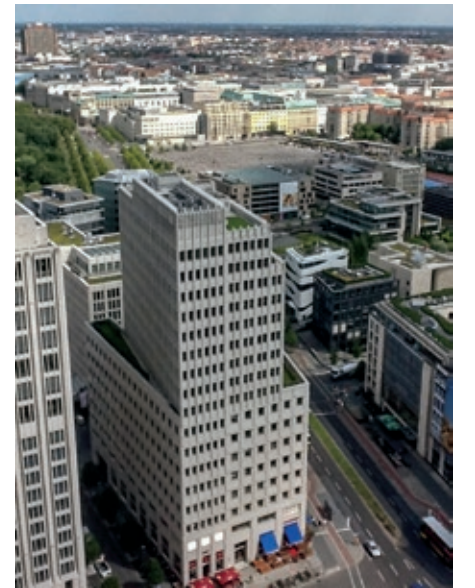
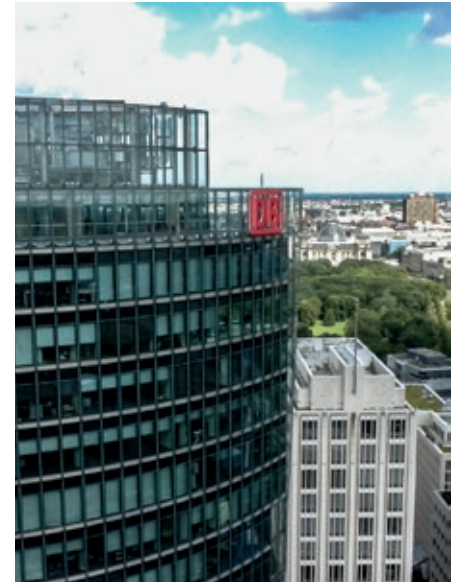


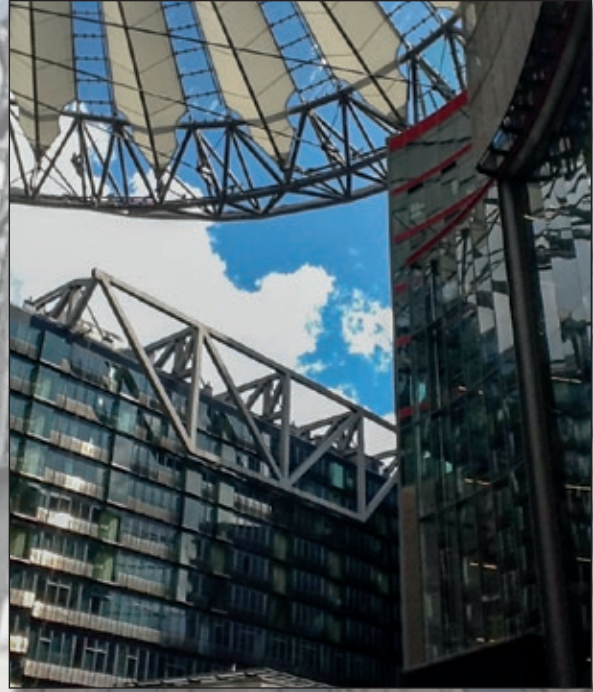




















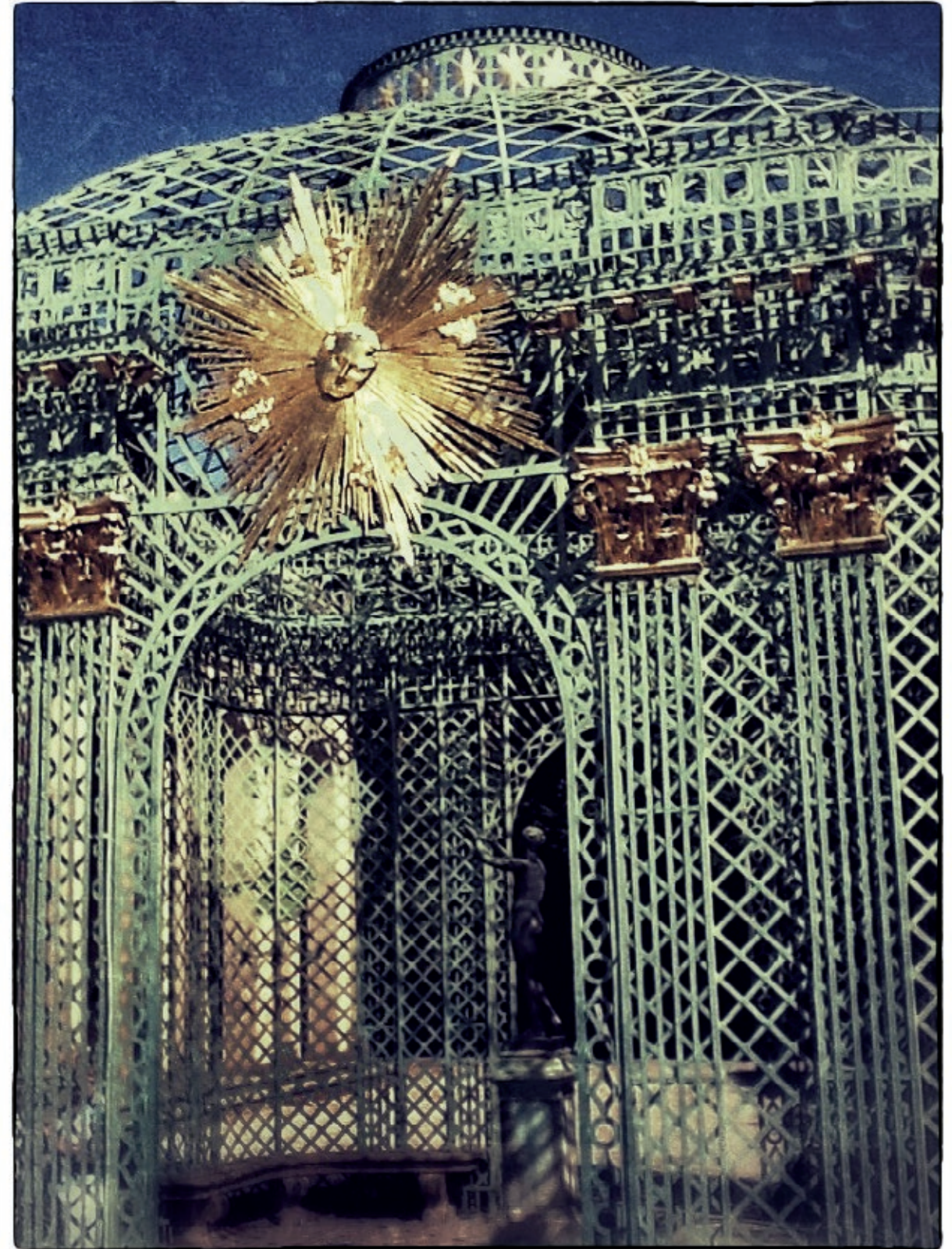














































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