

The Triel Observatory

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Although with limited equipment, this small observatory mounts a permanent exhibition and conducts various astronomical courses. It is primarily concerned with astronomical education and is visited by 5000–6000 pupils every year.

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The Bruno-H.-Bürgel Observatory

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The observatory is both a school and public observatory. Lectures are arranged for pupils at various levels as well as courses for teachers. Since 1959 astronomy has been a compulsory subject in schools in the D.D.R. (one of only four countries in the world in which this is the case). The observatory also participates in scientific work, particularly in the field of variable stars, where it has always had very close links with Sonneberg Observatory.

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The Strasbourg Observatory

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The Alsace Group of the S.A.F. is closely associated with the Strasbourg Observatory and is responsible for supervising visits by the public after planetarium shows. The 6-inch refractor was restored by three of the amateurs and the Group has the use of the 21-cm refractor for planetary photography and other projects.