GOETHEANUM COMMUNICATIONS

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**Clowns at the Goetheanum**

**The Section for Performing Arts offers a home to clowns**

**Clowns as developing human beings have moved into the Goetheanum. This sum-mer the two clowns Vanilli und Topolino will offer a course for adults in June and activities for the entire family in August.**

The Dornach-Arlesheim area is home to a higher than average number of theatre clowns. Two representatives, the duo Vanilli und Topolino, will bring humorous con-tributions to the Goetheanum. By opening the door from everyday seriousness to the joy of life they show how little is needed to make that transition.

Sebastian Jüngel, aka Topolino, is convinced that “entering this exit from ordinary life is only a matter of a few millimeters. The Clown rhythm is close to what we know and yet slightly shifted from what is familiar.” Being a clown includes, he says, the surprising and mindful approach to things and to time in alternating between rest and movement.

“The Goetheanum‘s Section for Performing Arts finds clowning very enriching,” says head of Section Stefan Hasler. “Because clowns demonstrate that we are learners who are not discouraged by failures and misadventures. On the contrary.” Stefan Hasler supports the clowning work group and the journal ‘red nose’ which are affiliated to the Section. The Section embraces the entire range of the performing arts.

Vanilli and Topolino will also be part of the Family Festival at the beginning of August.

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**Course Rhythms in Clowning** **(open to all)** 10 June 2022, 7 to 8.30 pm; 11 June 2022, 9.30 to 11 am, 11.30 am to 1 pm and 3 to 4.30 pm (sessions can be attended individually) **Web (in German)** www.goetheanum.org/fileadmin/srmk/2022/Kurs\_SRMK\_2022\_Rhythmen\_im\_Clownspiel.pdf

**Journal ‘red nose’ (in English and in German)** srmk.goetheanum.org/projekte/arbeitskreis-clown

**Family Festival** 4 to 7 August 2022, Goetheanum **Web** socialnew.goetheanum.org/event/familien-festival/

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