

# Announcement of the Radebeul Courage Award 2022

The historical Friedenskirche zu Radebeul, or "Peace Church", is located in the town of Radebeul in the state of Saxony, Germany. This name compels the residents of Radebeul to serve the cause of peace. It is a legacy that teaches us and our descendants that peace cannot be taken for granted or imposed by law. Peacemaking is the highest expression of a civilized person's cultural development. To fulfil the mission bequeathed to them, the citizens of our town donated the Radebeul Courage Award and founded the non-profit association of the same name, the Radebeuler courage-preis e. v.

The mission of the Radebeuler courage-preis e. v. is to draw attention to and support individuals, groups, companies, initiatives and projects that:

- **promote peace and justice,**
- **advocate democracy and**
- **show social responsibility and commitment to the environment.**

To offer encouragement and support at both the local and the European level, the Radebeul Courage Award has two categories:

- In the local category the focus of activities should be in Radebeul, the Dresden area or Saxony as a whole. The prize consists of the Radebeul Courage Award without prize money/The winner receives the Radebeul Courage Award and the public recognition this confers.
- In the European category the main focus of activities should be in Central, Eastern or Southern Europe. This award includes 5,000 euros in prize money.

There will be a prize-giving ceremony for the Radebeul Courage Award August 27<sup>th</sup>, 2022, the anniversary of the signing of the armistice with Sweden. This peace treaty ended the Thirty Years War in Saxony. Concluded in 1645, it sent a first signal of peace to Germany and to Europe.

The citizens of Radebeul are proud of this historic event. With this award they continue the town's peacemaking tradition.

The deadline for proposals for candidates for the 2022 award in both categories is **March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2022**. The board of directors selects the winners; the Mayor of Radebeul has the right to have a say and to vote.

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