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**Exhibition duration**

June 14 to  
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**Opening Hours**

Tuesday to Sunday  
From 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.  
Closed on Monday

**Free entry**

In this exhibition with international participation, the tim sheds light on a poignant piece of German history. It is about Jewish women, men and children who fled from Germany, Austria and Eastern Europe to Shanghai from 1938 onwards to escape persecution by the National Socialists and secured their livelihood there, not least through textile work.

The exhibition was created as a cooperation with the renowned Käte Hamburger Research Centre »*global dis:connect*« at the Ludwig-Maximilians-University in Munich. It displays original objects made by Jewish refugees during their time in Shanghai, including artwork created by a refugee girl.

At the center of the exhibition is a historical sewing machine that ensured the survival of one of the families. Originally a gift from a grandmother to her granddaughter, the sewing machine has journeyed from Frickhofen in Germany to Shanghai to San Francisco to Cleveland...and now to Augsburg.

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