



Newsletter No.13 For everyone interested in improving the accessibility of cultural heritage and tourism development



# Šilutė Hugo Scheu Museum

In 1721, state manor was established in Šilutė. After the reorganization of the Prussian state government system in 1808 – 1818, Radkiai family acquired the Manor. The revival and prosperity of the manor and the history of Šilutė Hugo Scheu Museum began in 1889, when it was bought by Hugo Scheu. He was one of the best-known people, revealed itself in the East Prussian economic and crafts. Seeing how quickly the cultural heritage and traditions disappear due to the industrial revolution of the 19th century, Hugo Scheu started collecting ethnographic material and folklore of Klaipėda region in two rooms of the manor house. The manor museum contained the collection of ethnographic furniture, clothes, documents, prints and maps. There were many examples of old Lithuanian clothes and textile. It was the first museum in Klaipėda region. The intelligentsia and scholars were able to visit this museum. During the Second World War, the manor museum, established by father and son, the collected antiquities were left unattended when the heir of the manor - grandchild Verner, left for Germany. The manor and the manor museum were severely damaged due to the Red Army who was staying there. In August 1948, the manor buildings were transferred to the school of horticulture and apiculture, while the museum was moved into a former residential house in the centre of the city. In 1949, Šilutė Museum of Local History was opened. In 1990, after Lithuania declared its independence, Šilutė district municipality became the founder of the museum. A new name was given to the museum - Šilutė Museum. After changing the name of the institution cardinal changes occurred within the museum - new expositions were prepared, containing some of the most valuable exhibits of Hugo Scheu's collection.



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Seaside Route

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Working hours: Tuesday–Friday 10.00–18.00 hr Saturday 10.00–16.45 hr Monday museum closed. GPS: 55.341077, 21.460155

It is one of the 4 objects presented on the route of Seaside region, adapted for people with disabilities and for those who are interested in more convenient accessibility.



Šilutės Hugo Šojaus dvaras-muziejus

In January 2005, Šilutė Museum was moved to the renovated manor of Hugo Scheu. This name has remained unchanged for more than two decades. Only on 9 April 2015 the museum was named as Šilutė Hugo Scheu Museum.

One of the most important dates in the history of the museum - 30 May 2015. On that day, during the festival of Šilutė city, the museum opening ribbon was cut, while the keys of the renovated manor of Hugo Scheu were given to the museum workers. The vision which was cherished for many decades was finally fulfilled and the face of the museum was finally created. Even H. Scheu himself has once said that the museum cannot be imagined without the manor house. His vision was fulfilled, while the museum workers were happy to publicly display the relics and other treasures of history collected by the patron of Šilutė. The manor complex now has a museum, a tourist information centre as well as a restoration and education centre, in which the museum established restoration workshops where the textile, metal and paper restorers work and where you can visit the education class. The library-archive of the museum and the exposition of manor's works of art is located in the manor house.





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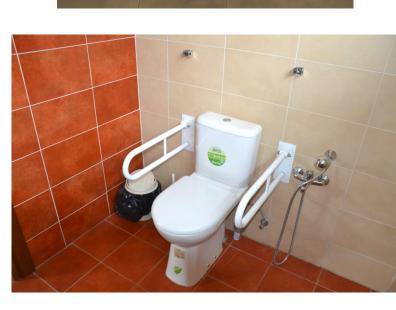














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