

Aquarela Frauengruppe e. V.

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MESSAGE BOARD OF DIRECTORS



Dear members, volunteers and supporters,

2025 was a year full of movement, connection, and new opportunities for Aquarela Frauengruppe e.V..

Throughout the year, we continued our mission of **welcoming, connecting,** and **enabling immigrant women** in Germany.

One of the biggest strengths of 2025 was the **power of community**. More women joined our activities, more families connected with our network, and we expanded our impact in Wolfsburg and the surrounding region.

This year, we were also very happy to welcome Coral and Magdalena (Male) as part of our Board of Directors. Their participation strengthens our multicultural vision and helps us increase our reach and support for the Spanish-speaking community.

We still facing many challenges such as limited funding and the need for more volunteers, but even so, our community showed **resilience, solidarity, and creativity** every step of the way.

We are deeply grateful to everyone who believed in our work and walked beside us during 2025.

Together, we are building a stronger, more inclusive, and more colorful future for migrant women in Germany.

With gratitude,

Juliana, Rúbia, Giselle, Coral & Magdalena (Male)

Board of Directors



Juliana Avila



Rubia Bassani



Giselle Verissimo



Coral Weinert



Magdalena Martinez



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MISSION AND VISION



At Aquarela Frauengruppe e.V., our mission is to welcome, connect, and enable immigrant women in Germany through projects focused on integration, well-being, cultural heritage, and diversity.

We believe every woman deserves to feel supported, respected, and included!

Through our activities, we help women build confidence, create friendships, access information, and actively participate in society.

Our vision is to continue growing as a strong and supportive international women's community that promotes solidarity, inclusion, autonomy, and intercultural exchange.

Guided by values such as diversity, empathy, equality, tolerance, and mutual support, we work every day to create a more welcoming and compassionate society for migrant women and their families.



HIGHLIGHTS OF 2025



GROWING TOGETHER

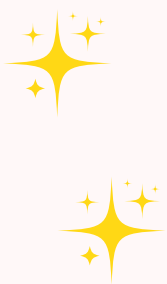
- More women participating in our integration and well-being activities.
- New intercultural events that brought together families from different nationalities.
- Continued support for immigrant women through networking, orientation, and community exchange.

STRONGER COMMUNITY

- Aquarela continued to be a safe space where women could share experiences, ask for support, and create meaningful connections.

DIVERSITY IN ACTION

- Women from different countries, cultures, and professional backgrounds participated in our activities throughout the year.
- This diversity continues to make Aquarela a vibrant, colorful and inspiring community built on respect, empathy, and mutual learning.



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Events, projects &
initiatives in 2025

HIGHLIGHTS OF 2025



Here are some of the projects that fostered inclusion and advanced Aquarela's mission of welcoming, connecting, and empowering immigrant women across Germany in 2025:

INTEGRATION INTO GERMAN SOCIETY AND ECONOMIC LIFE

We are committed to supporting the integration of migrant women into society, empowering them to contribute their talents and strengths, while building autonomy, self-confidence, and financial independence. In 2025, our key initiatives included **PowHer Entrepreneurship in Germany**¹, **PowHer Entering the German Job Market**² (in partnership with Volkswagen AG, Agentur für Arbeit and Jobcenter), **info sessions on investments**³, **Multikultureller-Club**⁴ (meetings for German language practice), and **German classes** (in cooperation with Frauenzimmer).

SOCIAL INTEGRATION

Aquarela promotes gatherings where migrant women can connect, exchange experiences, support one another, and build meaningful networks of mutual support - an essential foundation for successful integration. In 2025, these activities included **Breakfasts**⁵ & **Happy Hours, Karaoke Nights**⁶, **Kochen & Genießen**⁷ (cooking) **Playdates**⁸, **Summer Party**⁹, and Aquarela's **Anniversary Celebration (Feijoada)**¹⁰, with some events welcoming the whole family.

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HIGHLIGHTS OF 2025



WOMEN'S WELL-BEING

Aquarela understands that, for women to fully integrate into society and actively participate in their communities, they must first feel confident, healthy, and empowered. For this reason, we develop activities focused on women's well-being, self-esteem, and personal development. In 2025, our main initiatives included the **workshop "Caring for the Emotional Challenges of Migration"**¹ with a psychologist, the **International Woman's Day Walk**², a **Yoga Retreat**³, a **Makeup Workshop**⁴, **informative events**⁵ on menopause, sleep, nutrition and sports, as well as such as **Bewegungs-Clube**⁶ (jogging group) **Zumba**⁷, **Pilates, and Yoga**.

Through these activities, Aquarela continued to promote women's well-being, social inclusion, and active participation in the community.



HIGHLIGHTS OF 2025



CULTURAL HERITAGE

We also develops projects focused on cultural heritage. As our community has become increasingly international over the years, this area is no longer dedicated solely to Brazilian culture, but serves as an open space for the appreciation and exchange of different cultural traditions.

In 2025, the main activities included a **movie session of Turma da Mônica 'Lições'** in its original language (Portuguese) at Universum Cinema in Braunschweig, **Lese-Clube²** meetings (book club) and **Catrina craft workshops³**, as a part of the Mexican celebration of Día de los Muertos. We also participated in events organized by the **Brazilian Embassy⁴** and the Italian Consular Agency (**Agenzia Consulare d'Italia⁵**).

Some projects combine cultural heritage, integration, and well-being, such as Kochen und Genießen, where participants prepare and share recipes from different countries, promoting intercultural exchange and community building.



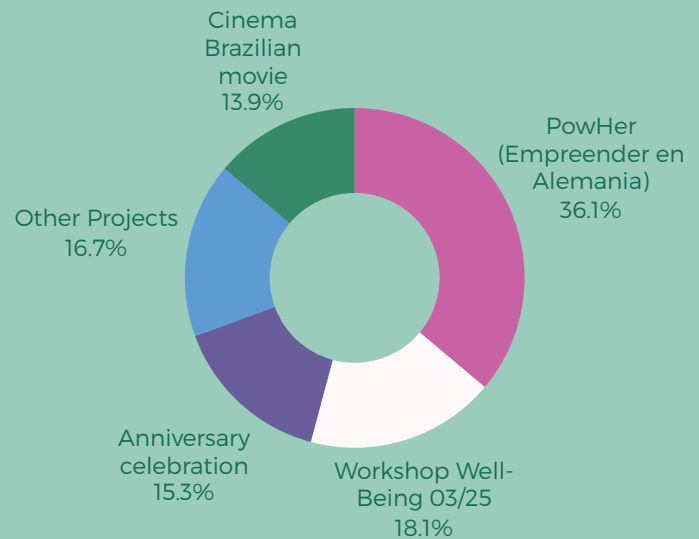
FINANCIAL OVERVIEW & MEMBERS GROWTH



Revenue	Amount (€)
Support from other organizations for projects	180,00 €
Contributions for participation in events	4.678,60 €
Membership fees	2.094,87 €
Donations	392,43 €
Total Revenue	7.345,90 €
Expenses	Amount (€)
Fixed costs	-1.852,06 €
Investments in initiatives and projects	-8.830,33 €
Annual result	-3.336,49 €

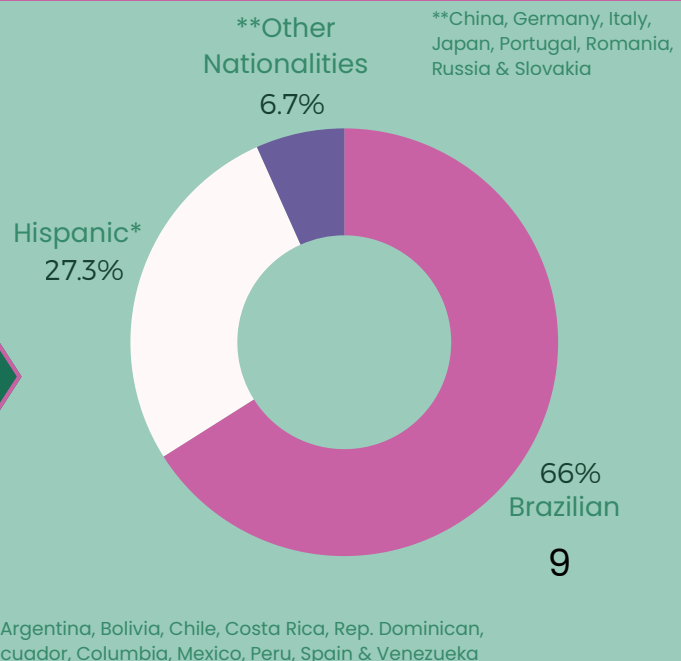
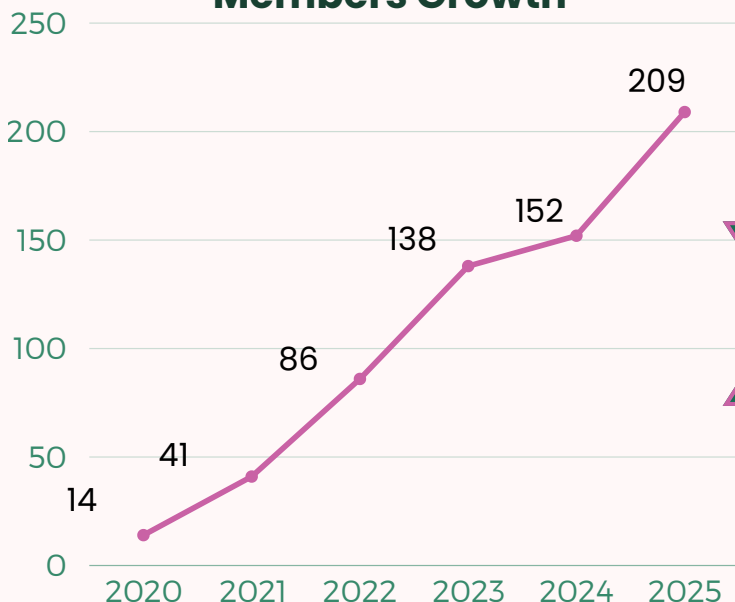
In the reporting year, expenses exceeded revenue, mainly due to lower donation income compared to previous years. The main project (PowHer) was already funded in the previous year, so corresponding income was absent in the reporting year. However, the association still has sufficient financial resources to fund the planned projects for 2026 and ongoing fixed costs.

KEY FUNDED PROJECTS IN 2025



Funding for the PowHer project was fully secured as early as 2024. The other projects shown in the pie chart were partially supported by member contributions.

Members Growth



CHALLENGES



OVERCOMING OBSTACLES

Like many volunteer-led organizations, Aquarela Frauengruppe continued to face a number of challenges throughout 2025. Nevertheless, our team remained motivated and committed to advancing our mission with care, solidarity, and resilience.

One of our most significant challenges was securing **funding** to ensure the sustainability of our programs and services. While we successfully implemented several activities and initiatives, limited financial resources restricted our ability to reach and develop additional projects that could benefit more women and families.

Another ongoing challenge was the lack of regular access to suitable **meeting rooms and event spaces**. Finding affordable or free venues for workshops, support groups, and community events often required considerable time and effort, limiting our flexibility and, at times, the number of activities we were able to offer.

As demand for our services continued to grow, the need for **additional volunteers** and professional support became increasingly evident. Recruiting and retaining committed volunteers, while also strengthening our organizational capacity, remains an important priority for the future.



OUTLOOK FOR 2026



BUILDING OUR FUTURE

As we move into **2026**, we remain excited about the future of Aquarela Frauengruppe e.V.

Our goals for the coming year include:

- Expanding our integration and well-being initiatives.
- Reaching more migrant women and families.
- Strengthening partnerships with local organizations and institutions.
- Create a fundraising strategy to secure sustainable funding
- Increasing volunteer participation.
- Creating more opportunities for empowerment, networking, and inclusion.

We want 2026 to be another year of **connection, belonging, enabling, solidarity, and positive impact.**

Together, we will continue building bridges, celebrating diversity, and supporting women in every stage of their integration journey.



WHO HAS SUPPORTED US



During 2025, Aquarela Frauengruppe e.V. received valuable support from partners, institutions, volunteers, members, and community organizations.

We are **deeply thankful** to everyone who helped strengthen our mission and activities.

Our supporters included:

- Imago Dei Fund
- City of Wolfsburg (in special Integrationsreferat and Das West)
- Frauenzentrum Frauenzimmer
- Volkswagen AG.
- Agentur für Arbeit
- Job Center
- Igor Perhs | Investimentos
- MTV 1862 e.V. Vorsfelde
- Neuland
- Ev. Familienbildungsstätte (Fabi)
- Kath. Kirchengemeinde St. Raphael
- Raum zum Wachsen e.V.
- Caritasverband Wolfsburg e.V.
- Brazilian Embassy

Every partnership and contribution helped us continue creating meaningful opportunities for immigrant women and their families.



HOW TO SUPPORT US



SUPPORTING OUR MISSION

There are three ways to support Aquarela: by making a donation, volunteering your time and skills, or becoming a member of our association.

Donate

Bank Information:

Norddeutsche Landesbank Girozentrale

Aquarela Frauengruppe e.V.

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QR Code for donating with PayPal



Become a member

As a member of Aquarela Frauengruppe e.V., you can participate in projects and events, support immigrant women and families, join a multicultural and supportive network, contribute ideas and experiences and help create positive social impact.

Becoming a member is easy! Here's how:

- Scan the QR code to access the membership form,
- Complete and sign it,
- Send it back to us:

per WhatsApp (+49 1575 361 7234)

or by email to info@aquarelafrauengruppe.org

QR Code for Membership form



Become a volunteer

We warmly welcome volunteers to support Aquarela in whatever way they can and at whatever frequency fits their lives. Every contribution makes a difference. If you would like to share your time, skills, or experience, we would love to hear from you. Please get in touch with us.

THANK YOU



Every story shared, every helping hand, every partnership, every volunteer hour, and every moment of support helped make 2025 meaningful for .

Thank you to all women, families, members, volunteers and supporters, who believed in our mission and helped us continue building a stronger and more welcoming community.

Together, we celebrated diversity, created connections, supported integration, and empowered women from many different cultures and backgrounds.

Because of you, Aquarela continues to be a place where women feel seen, heard, supported, and inspired.

We look forward to continuing this beautiful journey together in 2026.

**The Aquarela Frauengruppe e.V.
Team**



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