WHV - Learning and Sharing the History of Jingshan (a community of the World Heritage Site)

The Central Axis of Beijing (including Beihai), China

Site on the Tentative List since 2013 05/07/2021 – 19/07/2021

The Central Axis is the best preserved core area of the old city of Beijing, starting in the south of the city from the Yongding Gate, running across the Zhengyang Gate, Tian’anmen Square, the Forbidden City, the Jingshan Hill, and ending with the Drum Tower and Bell Tower in the north. As the most representative and important section of the old city of Beijing, it is the core of old Beijing’s spatial pattern and demonstrates the magnificent spatial order of the urban space.

**Project objectives:**

Being implemented for the first time this year, the project aims at exploring the challenges of urban heritage preservation and at promoting a better understanding of the history and heritage of Jingshan area, part of the Central Axis of Beijing, and of the links between global, national and local history, cultures and lives connected with the site.

**Project activities:**

The volunteers will use research and field visits to document important historical buildings of the Jingshan area, as well as traditional local stories: divided in small groups, they will then introduce these sites and stories through public presentations and will design and promote creative products and video clips to raise awareness about the heritage of Jingshan.

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