

Trip to Barrandov Studios

On our trip to Prague, Czech Republic, we visited the amazing Barrandov studios on a tour that showed us how the studios were built and movies such as Casino royale, Mission impossible 3 and Wanted were filmed in the studios.

Barrandov Studio is one of the largest and oldest film studios in Europe. During its more than 80 years of existence, more than 2,500 Czech and international motion pictures have been filmed here. It is one of very few film studios in the world that offers guided tours for groups during normal operations. In 2014, a new exhibition space opened that takes viewers behind the scenes of current film and television projects.

During the occupation of Czechoslovakia by Nazi Germany during World War II, major additions were made to the studio's facilities. Seeking to make Barrandov an equal to the major film studios in Berlin and Munich, the Nazis drew up plans for three large interconnecting stages. Construction work started in 1941 but the final stage was not completed until early 1945. These three huge stages (with more than 37,000 square feet (3,400 m²) of shooting space) still form the main attraction of the studios to film-makers throughout the world.

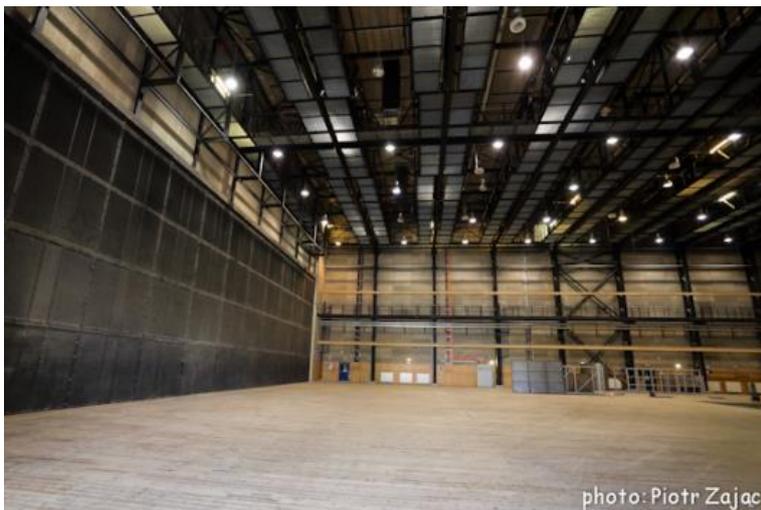
Shortly after the war, Barrandov and its smaller sister studio facility at Hostivař were nationalized and remained under state ownership until the beginning of the 1990s. During this time, Barrandov's impressive film laboratories were constructed, as was a special effects stage with a back projection tunnel and a water tank equipped for underwater shooting.



- Films shot in prague.

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These are the stages where TV shows and movies were filmed in:



Besides Prague, there are more than 40 historically recognized towns and cities in the Czech Republic. One city of particular note is Český Krumlov, which has been included in the UNESCO list of protected cities. A beautiful Renaissance castle, comparable in size to Hradčany in Prague, stands on the top of a sheer granite cliff, dominating all views of the city. Also of historical significance is the city of Telč, with its Renaissance chateau and houses from the Renaissance and Baroque eras. The city of Olomouc has the second most important collection of historical monuments in the Czech Republic, with some of the oldest parts of the city dating back to the 11th century. The Czech Republic is known as a country of castles and chateaus. Most of these structures have undergone reconstruction several times over the previous centuries.

