Stories and reports about crime have always fascinated people. The themes guilt and atonement and the question of the causes of evil in man are fundamental motives - ever since the story of Cain and Abel. In the 19th century, detective stories were added as a subgenre. The classics are often about an evil deed, which the investigating detective clears up in the course of the action.

Now’s your chance to discover such exciting mystery stories right within the Augsburg Puppet Theatre Museum „die Kiste“. The special exhibition covers topics such as crime, police and espionage. Find out how the figure of the eccentric archivist Alice Folder tries to solve criminal cases. On the other hand, a burglary within a factory owner’s villa is prevented in the play „Anna Louise and Anton“. And how does Detective Heinrich Holmes solve the riddle of the disappearance of the Golden Ball within the play of the same name? Detectives, law enforcement officers and their opponents, all these figures from the „Theatre Salz+Pfeffer“, the „figure theatre inflagranti“, as well as figures from many other puppet stages, have made their way to the museum. Even the Augsburg Criminal Investigation Department is represented with figures, which were created in collaboration with „The Augsburger Puppenkiste“. The Bavarian Army Museum in Ingolstadt will present interesting exhibits from the history of the police, which also adds a scientific aspect to the special exhibition.

Once again, the theme of the special exhibition will be accompanied by a colorful program. In cooperation with „CSI: Training“, school vacation activities include a visit within „die Kiste“, in order to sift through the entire area, thereby searching for a kidnapped marionette. This is suitable for children aged 12 and above. In addition, Augsburg’s Criminal Investigation Department offers admission free lectures on crime prevention, specialising on fraud and trick theft, particularly suitable for senior citizens. Moreover, an information event, concerning the dangers of modern communication media, appropriate for pupils in fifth grade and above, complement the program. Further information on the accompanying programs can be found within the flyer or online at www.diekiste.net.