Kay Kander Mellish

BOOK AN EVENT WITH KAY XANDER MELLISH

An entertaining and interactive speaker based in Copenhagen, Kay Xander Mellish is an American who has lived in Denmark for more than a decade. Her ability to see Scandinavian culture from both outside and inside makes for a thought-provoking, memorable event.



Event 1

Doing business in Denmark: Tips on Danish business culture

Short working hours. Plentiful vacations. Generous social benefits. Scandinavia is one of the best places in the world to work. Is it also a good place to do business? Kay Xander Mellish, author of the book *How to Work in Denmark*, talks about what it takes to do business in the low-hierarchy, highly-digitized Danish workplace, and offers tips for non-Danes on how to work harmoniously with their Danish counterparts.

Event 2

Why I chose to raise my child in Denmark

When Kay Xander Mellish chose to leave Manhattan and settle down in Denmark, the Danish philosophy of child raising was one of the main reasons. Danish parents have time to spend with their children due to short working hours, and children in Denmark are raised without the constant competition found in so many other wealthy societies. In this event, Kay will discuss Danish parenting and the Danish government's extensive support for parents.

Event 3

Hygge: The Danish concept of home, health, and happiness

The Danish concept of *hygge* has become popular all over the world. But what is *hygge* - and is it really the key to health and happiness? Kay Xander Mellish, an American who has lived in Denmark for more than a decade, tells about her journey learning about *hygge*, how it fits with the Danish design tradition of beautiful homes and housewares – and how it is less about buying beautiful objects than learning to enjoy what you have.

Event 4

Is Scandinavia really a Utopia?

As a top writer on Denmark on Quora.com, Kay Xander Mellish is regularly asked "Is Scandinavia as good as the media makes it out to be?" by admirers of Denmark's extensive social welfare system. Having chosen to live in Denmark and become a Danish citizen, Kay knows the bright side of living in Scandinavia – but is familiar with its dark side as well. This straightforward talk will be though-provoking for people on all sides of the political spectrum.

Event 5

The Privileged Immigrant: A new take on immigration

Most of the immigration debate centers on societies' responsibility to open up and accept immigrants. But what about the immigrants themselves - particularly privileged, well-educated immigrants? What responsibilities do they have to the communities where they have chosen to live? Kay Xander Mellish argues that newcomers have a duty to search out the basic values of a society and see if they are willing to conform to them. This even is based on Kay's popular presentation at TEDx Odense in 2018.

Free video to support your event

A great social media presence helps make any event a success. Kay Xander Mellish will happily create a 30-second promotional video for sharing on social media for any event where she is booked.

Kay Xander Mellish is the author of three books on Denmark: "How to Live in Denmark" (2014), "Top 35 Mistakes Danes Make in English" (2016), and "How to Work in Denmark" (2018). She has been the voice behind the "How to Live in Denmark" podcast since 2013.

KAY XANDER MELLISH PLAN YOUR OWN EVENT

Kay is an established keynote speaker who has appeared at more than 100 events in Denmark, Europe, and Asia. She will work with you to tailor an event for your group and will interact with your team and your audience both before and after the event to make sure it is a success.

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