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Dear Members, Friends, Sponsors and Alumni of Ruperto Carola!

The first few months of this anniversary year are behind us. In numerous commemorative events – not only here in Heidelberg but in the state representative offices in Berlin and Brussels – Heidelberg University showcased itself to a wide audience and gave scientists, academics and employees of Ruperto Carola deeper insight into its projects and work.

Over the next weeks and months, we expect to welcome many visitors from all areas of science. Important student issues will be addressed at two national student council conferences, the German University Rectors Conference will convene in Heidelberg in May, and in June the German Academic Exchange Service will host a large number of scholarship recipients at the university. The number of scientific congresses, symposia and conferences is extensive. See the electronic calendar at <http://625.uni-heidelberg.de> to get an overview of all the events and the rich cultural programme ahead.

We urge our faculty to arrange free admission to the events and scientific conferences for your students. To keep your students up to date on individual events, we will periodically send out informational PowerPoint slides for you to share with them, e.g. at the beginning of class.

Thank you so much for your support!

Sincerely

Yours,

Jochen Tröger

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Max Kade Foundation supports the renovation of the »Neue Universität«

Progress continues on the renovation and modernisation of the New University as part of the »Dem lebendigen Geist« campaign. The Max Kade Foundation in New York (USA) provided generous support in the amount of \$600,000, which is being used to help renovate the grand foyer. Once complete, the foyer will no longer be a mere entrance area to the main auditorium and the lecture halls, but will serve as a venue for concerts, seminars and lectures. At the same time, it will function as a meeting place for students and faculty.



University Mile – still seeking participants

The »Festival Week«, which runs from June **25 – July 2, 2011**, will launch with the ceremonial reopening of the New University and University Mile. Between the New University and Marstall, the gates and doorways of all university buildings, their interior courtyards and plazas will be open to one and all. The subject areas, faculties and institutions of Ruperto Carola will be showcased. We're still in search of stage acts, especially from among our students. We're looking for short, fun performances; music groups and athletic acts are welcome. You can submit your ideas and suggestions to Christiane Wickenhöfer, who is managing all the University Mile activities and can be contacted by telephone at (06221) 54-2011 (Monday through Thursday mornings) or by email at unimeile@uni-heidelberg.de.



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Discount travel for festival week

Lufthansa is offering discounted fares and promotional offers to travellers to the »Festival Week«. Flights can be booked directly on the Lufthansa booking platform. The discounts and special offers in first, business and economy classes are displayed automatically, along with any other promotional rates. For more information, go to http://625.uni-heidelberg.de/anreise_lufthansa.html. The discounted rates are also available through IATA travel agencies.





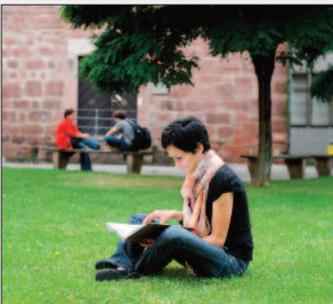
Events – April through June

During the 2011 summer semester, Heidelberg University astronomers invite you to the Peterskirche Mondays through Fridays from 12:30 – 1:00 p.m. for a mid-day sojourn into the world of astronomy. The programme, entitled **The uni(verse) for everyone! A half-hour in the stars**, will consist of 70 short and »easily digestible« presentations on interesting topics from astronomy. The series, which starts on **April 11, 2011**, is designed for the general public and students of all ages and disciplines. For more information, see www.universum-fuer-alle.de.



The exhibit **625 Years of Research and Education at Heidelberg University** offers deeper insights into the academic history of Ruperto Carola from its founding to the present day. It will be on display in the university library from **April 20 – December 4, 2011**. For more information, see <http://ausstellung625uni2011.uni-hd.de>

The **Ruprecht Karls Prizes** for the five best doctoral theses from all the research areas of the university will be awarded on **May 7** in the »Aula« of the Old University this anniversary year. At the same time, the environmental award from the Viktor and Sigrid Dulger Foundation for outstanding work by a young environmental researcher will be awarded. The ceremony begins at 11:00 a.m.



To mark this special anniversary year, the university's **General Medicine Day** will feature the topic »Generalist or Specialist«. Physicians, medical personnel are invited to attend the over 30 interactive workshops and the closing presentation on **May 14, 2011**. For details on the programme, see www.klinikum.uni-heidelberg.de/Tag-der-Allgemeinmedizin.7460.0.html

A **concert with fireworks** will be held on **June 16, 2011** on University Square. The event invites friends and members of the university and residents of Heidelberg alike to get into the spirit of the upcoming festival week. The concert begins at 8:00 p.m. The fireworks are a gift from Dr. Hans-Peter Wild, honorary senator of Heidelberg University.

Heinrich von Kleist – Stages in the History of his Work is the title of the literary and historical exhibit honouring the 200th anniversary of the poet's death that will be on view in the Heiliggeistkirche from **June 17 – November 21, 2011**.





Lecture Series: »Research for Tomorrow«

Renowned women researchers from various fields will present their findings in the lecture series »Research for Tomorrow. 12 Responses from 12 Academic Disciplines«. The series, which continues through **October 2011**, was initiated by the Equal Opportunities Office and covers a range of topics representing each of the twelve faculties of the university. The presentations are designed to appeal to a broad public. Colleagues, students, members of the university and all those interested in the cutting edge of science and the humanities are welcome to attend. For details on the »Research for Tomorrow« lecture series, go to www.uni-heidelberg.de/gleichstellungsbeauftragte/625-forschenfuermorgen.html



Anniversary Year Working Group

As we regularly do at this point, we now introduce more members of Working Committee for the 625th anniversary of Ruperto Carola:

Anne-Kathrin Lange has been a student assistant on the anniversary staff since the beginning of April 2011. On completion of her Abitur in 2008, the Göttingen native was initially drawn to the University of Duisburg-Essen for the »Kulturwirt« programme for a degree in business and cultural studies. She's been studying political science and English at Heidelberg University since 2009. She gained valuable experience in managing musical and cultural events during preparation for the city of Essen's »2010 Cultural Capital of Europe« event.

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