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

Just ten more months: On 23 October 2010, the rector will officially inaugurate the jubilee year, commemorating the 625th anniversary of the founding of the Universität Heidelberg. The highlights will be manifold and feature all areas of the university.

We, as members of the Anniversary Preparation Working Group, hold all the events to be of equal significance – from a performance by the »IdeFix« student theatre and student workshops focusing on »Academics in 2020« to the German Rectors' Conference, which will be held in Heidelberg in the spring of 2011, on the occasion of the 625th anniversary of the Ruperto Carola. We are looking forward to many major academic events during this celebratory year, such as the World Congress of Procedural Law and an international congress on systems biology.

The date to keep in mind is 25 June 2011, which is when the Neue Universität – currently being renovated both inside and out – will have its grand re-opening to mark the start of the anniversary week. Afterward, there will be the opportunity to enjoy a varied and entertaining programme along the »University Mile«, thereby getting to know the full array of the Ruperto Carola's offerings.

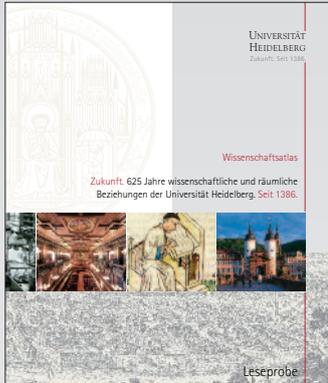
As always, we welcome your ideas, suggestions and, of course, your participation. We need many things from many people. E-mail your suggestions to 625@uni-heidelberg.de, or just drop by to see us – we are located in Room 330 at the Carolinum.

On behalf of the university and all working group members,
we wish you a happy holiday season and a very successful new year.

Yours,

Jochen Tröger





Heidelberg Academic Atlas



University Mile



Concert in the Aula of the
»Alten Universität«

Excerpt from Heidelberg Academic Atlas Published

An excerpt from the Heidelberg Academic Atlas appeared in October 2009. The excerpt provides a first glimpse into the thematic diversity and structure of the full atlas being published by the rectorate in the spring of 2011, on the occasion of the 625th anniversary of the Ruperto Carola. The six articles contained in the excerpt, ranging from Luther's Heidelberg Disputation to the first admissions of women to the Ruperto Carola, are representative of the broad spectrum of subjects to be covered. The Heidelberg Academic Atlas will include over 100 articles that elucidate the intellectual draw of the Universität Heidelberg throughout the centuries and illustrate the university's national and international connections both from a spatial and historical perspective. You can order the excerpt from the Communications and Marketing Department by e-mail (kum@uni-heidelberg.de) or by phone: +49 (0)6221/54-19012.

University Mile

If you want to get to know every facet of the Ruperto Carola's research, teaching and administration, come to the University Mile on **Saturday, 25 June 2011**. That is the day all of the university buildings from the Neue Universität to the Marstall will be open to visitors. Many courtyards and squares will likewise be accessible, such as the Baroque garden between the Jesuit Church and the Department of English and Romance Languages and the inner courtyards of the university library and the Department of Musicology. The programme will be wide-ranging as well as entertaining. All areas of the university, from Bergheim and the Neuenheimer Feld to the Old Town, will be participating. Visitors and associates of the university alike will surely marvel at the beauty along Heidelberg's University Mile.

Further Important Information

A few days after the kick-off of the jubilee year celebrating its 625th anniversary, the Universität Heidelberg will gather German and foreign politicians with representatives from science and business at the Baden-Württemberg State Representative Office in Berlin on **28 October 2010**. The evening will be devoted to the topic of the Ruperto Carola's role as a national and international liaison among these communities.

The traditional citizens' reception hosted by the Lord Mayor of Heidelberg, Dr. Eckart Würzner, will be held at the beginning of **January 2011** at the university in the Old Town.

The Heidelberg Symphony Orchestra, under the direction of General Music Director Cornelius Meister, will give a concert in honour of Ruperto Carola.





On **1 July 2011**, the 6th Lautenschläger Research Prize, endowed at 250,000 euros, will be awarded during the anniversary festival week.

University students are preparing an exhibit for the celebratory year highlighting the importance of Ruperto Carola as one of the largest educational institutions in the region.

University Anniversary Working Group

As we regularly do, we would like at this point to introduce the members of the anniversary working group:

Alexander Freihaut is one of the working group's academic assistants, primarily responsible for contact management, organisational activities and schedule coordination. He was born in 1985 in Bühl/Baden. He has been studying French and Spanish at the Universität Heidelberg since the summer semester of 2006, with a minor in mediaeval and modern history. While in grammar school, he spent several months in Guatemala with an exchange program, and in 2008/2009 he worked in France as a foreign language assistant.

Like Alexander Freihaut, **Rabia Boztepe** has been with the working group as an academic assistant since May of 2009. Born in 1981 in Heilbronn, she began her studies in business economics at the University of Mannheim. Since the winter semester of 2005/2006, she has been studying political science, with a focus on Southeast Asia, Islamic studies, and public law at the Universität Heidelberg. In 2007, she completed a newspaper internship.



Alexander Freihaut



Rabia Boztepe

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The following distinguished persons have agreed to serve on the board in preparation for the 625th anniversary celebration of the Universität Heidelberg. We have already benefitted greatly from their generous support and counsel. Our gratitude goes to:

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