

Karlsruhe celebrates its 300th anniversary...

Karlsruhe turns 300 in 2015! To celebrate this special occasion, the city will host a 15-week summer festival from June 17th, the day the first stone of the palace's foundation was laid, until September 24th, the day Karlsruhe created its city charter. As the birthplace and iconic center of the fan-shaped city, the Karlsruhe Palace will play a central role in the festivities.

The festival program is packed tight with one highlight after the other. On June 20th, a grand opening ceremony in front of the palace will present the myth surrounding the foundation of Karlsruhe and its rise to a center of culture, science, and technology unlike ever before. To the delight of locals and visitors alike, a specially built pavilion in the palace park will be the heart of the summer festival and serve as a stage for over 400 events. From concerts, cabaret, and theatrical performances to film screenings, lectures, and workshops, there is sure to be something to suit every interest and taste.

Every evening from dusk until midnight, the palace façade will be bathed in alternating light and video projections to create a fascinating combination of historical architecture and modern media art. Particular mention must also go to the numerous special exhibitions taking place in Karlsruhe during this time. Art and culture enthusiasts shouldn't miss it! Special cultural highlights in 2015 include the GLOBALE in the ZKM | Center for Art and Media, both Large State Exhibitions in the Staatliche Kunsthalle Karlsruhe and Baden State Museum Karlsruhe, and the "Friedrich Weinbrenner" exhibition in the Städtische Galerie Karlsruhe.

... be our guest and celebrate with us!

Group Offers

Unique cultural adventures up close and personal!

Karlsruhe Culture - Short Trip

Spend a varied and exciting weekend with your group.

- 2 overnight stays incl. breakfast in a 4-star hotel
- 1 x half board
- 1 x dinner with the group, e.g. Brewery tour incl. brewer's snack and 2 hours of beer enjoyment; a wine tasting; or other alternatives upon request.
- Guided tour of and admission to 2 museums of your choice.
- Individual city tour (up to 2 hours)

Price: from 159 € per person in a double room

(Group size: max. 25 people)

"Celebrate yesterday and tomorrow" – 300 Years Karlsruhe

Celebrate 300 years of Karlsruhe history and discover fascinating architecture; extraordinary art, culture, and sculptures; and the soothing atmosphere of nature. Toast to this special occasion with us!

- Individual city tour (up to 2 hours)

Price: from 90 € per group incl. sparkling wine reception

(Group size: max. 25 people)

Intense Culture!

Experience a day overflowing with culture (up to 7 hours) with your very own guide especially for the summer festival!

- Guided tour of the special exhibitions
- Kulturpass
- Short city tour
- 3-course "Anniversary Lunch" (plus beverages)
- Anniversary sparkling wine

Price: from 79 € per person
(Group size: max. 20 people)

Kulturpass – A great experience!

During the length of the summer festival, our Kulturpass provides you with 2-day admission to 4 museums for the price of one – the perfect solution for a comprehensive cultural experience!

Price: 21 €

Reduced price: 17 € (groups of 10 or more)

Further information and booking available at:

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Baden State Museum Karlsruhe

Karl Wilhelm 1679 – 1738

Large State Exhibition of Baden-Württemberg

Baden State Museum Karlsruhe / Karlsruhe Palace

May 9 – November 8, 2015

Baden Prince and City Founder of Karlsruhe

Karl Wilhelm, Margrave of Baden-Durlach, made his ambitious dream a reality at the young age of 36; on June 17, 1715, the young prince ceremoniously laid the first stone of his new palace and, in the same year, founded the city that still carries his name today: Karlsruhe. In honor of the city's 300-year anniversary, this very same palace – and heart of the fan-shaped city – will host the Large State Exhibition 2015, which is dedicated for the very first time to the fascinating personality of the city founder.

Karl Wilhelm was a strong believer of absolutism. His contemporaries described him as strong-willed, inquisitive, despotic, and vain. However, they also knew him as a pragmatic, socially engaged economist and courageous war officer. The Karlsruhe Palace and its grounds are remnants of the splendor of former days and unique in the entire world.

The Large State Exhibition “Karl Wilhelm 1679 – 1738” presents a fascinating portrait of this enigmatic personality through first-class exhibits, some of which are being made accessible to the public for the first time.

GUIDED GROUP TOURS

Costume tour:

A look behind the curtain at Karl's court

Characters from Karl Wilhelm's court provide amusing insights into the court life of the margrave. Hear scandalous and everyday stories about life at court.

Duration: 60 minutes

Admission: 8 €

Guided tour: 100 € weekdays, 110 € Sat., Sun., and holidays

Costume tour:

Two palaces – one marriage

Eavesdrop on Karl Wilhelm and his wife, Magdalena Wilhelmine, during their conversations about where to live, how to raise the children, and the every day cares of life at court.

Duration: 60 minutes

Admission: 8 €

Guided tour: 150 € weekdays, 170 € Sat., Sun., and holidays

Architecture tour:

A dream in stone – Karl Wilhelm’s new residence in Karlsruhe

Go on a tour of the Karlsruhe Palace and its grounds, starting with an unparalleled panoramic view from the palace tower. Experts explain the city’s fan-shaped layout and the architectural development of the grounds from their creation until present day.

Duration: 120 minutes

Admission: 8 €

Guided tour: 130 € weekdays, 140 € Sat., Sun., and holidays

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Opening hours:

Tues. – Sun. and holidays, 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Admission: groups of 10 or more receive a reduced admission price of 7 €

Staatliche Kunsthalle Karlsruhe

The Master Collector Karoline Luise von Baden

Large State Exhibition of Baden-Württemberg

Staatliche Kunsthalle Karlsruhe

May 30 – September 6, 2015

It was a woman who played the most important role in the history of the Baden margrave’s art collection: Karoline Luise von Baden (1723-1783). The Staatliche Kunsthalle Karlsruhe has dedicated a Large State Exhibition to this passionate art collector from May 30 – September 6, 2015 to accompany Karlsruhe’s 300-year anniversary.

Karoline’s Mahlerey-Cabinets, which once encompassed 200 paintings and now remain mostly intact in the Kunsthalle, are the center of the exhibition. These cabinets are a collection of Dutch masterpieces from the 17th century, as well as important French paintings from the 18th century, and include works from Rembrandt Harmenszoon van Rijn, David Teniers, and Jean Siméon Chardin.

The sophisticated and well-educated Karoline Luise cultivated contacts with numerous European correspondents, kept herself well-informed, and bargained skillfully an international art market that was characterized by sensational auctions, just as it is now. Also a painter, she developed into a respected connoisseur and, in the end, a true “Master Collector”.

Currently spread out between Karlsruhe and international museums, the works comprising the former Mahlerey-Cabinets will be brought back together for the first time for the Large State Exhibition 2015.

GUIDED GROUP TOURS

Guided group tours from 70 €

Exclusive tours outside the regular opening hours are available starting at 6 p.m. Additional activities, e.g. a sparkling wine reception, can also be arranged.

Exclusive group offer: 25 € per person for a guided tour outside of the regular opening hours including a sparkling wine reception.

(Group size: min. 15, max. 25 people)

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Tues. – Sun. and holidays, 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Admission: groups of 10 or more receive a reduced admission price of 9 €

Städtische Galerie

Friedrich Weinbrenner
Classical Architecture and City Planning
Städtische Galerie Karlsruhe

June 27 – October 4, 2015

In celebration of Karlsruhe's 300th anniversary, the saai and Städtische Galerie Karlsruhe will present an extraordinary and fascinating exhibition dedicated to the life works of Friedrich Weinbrenner (1766–1826). This famous classical master architect and city planner shaped the face of Karlsruhe unlike any other. His name was closely tied to the fan-shaped city from the very beginning: he was born here, the son of a carpenter, in 1766. After years of studying and traveling in Germany and abroad, he returned to Karlsruhe in 1800, where he was able to spend a quarter century developing his outstanding city planning and building skills.

This comprehensive, monographic anniversary exhibition of Weinbrenner's works is the first of its kind since 1977 and by far surpasses the scope of the almost 40-year-old predecessor. Exhibits include original drawings from the saai and collections in Germany and the USA, as well as historic and current photographs, newly finished models, and complex computer visualizations that make even unfinished drafts and dream projects visible.

GUIDED GROUP TOURS

Within regular opening hours (max. 30 people): 70 €

Reduced admission fee outside the regular opening hours (max. 30 people): 250 €

Reduced admission fee for curator tours to select Weinbrenner buildings within the city: 150 €

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Opening hours:

Wed. – Fri., 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. (closed Mondays and Tuesdays)

Sat., Sun., and holidays, 11 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Admission: groups of 10 or more receive a reduced admission price of 5 €

ZKM | Center for Art and Media

GLOBALE

ZKM | Center for Art and Media

June 19 – mid-April, 2016

The ZKM | Karlsruhe presents a completely new kind of art exhibition: the GLOBALE. It includes exhibits and cinematic, musical, and performance art events in which the traditional concept of art is expanded to include natural science.

Die GLOBALE will be spread across all exhibition areas of the ZKM | Karlsruhe, as well as other public spaces throughout the city, thus mirroring the city's potential as a hub for art, media technology, and science.

GUIDED GROUP TOURS

GLOBALE by night – stories in urban spaces

Discover the unexpected with augmented reality: see and explore the past in the ZKM and city today. The journey concludes at the Karlsruhe Palace.

Duration: 120 minutes, max. 20 people

Price: 130 € for groups of 10 people or more

9.50 € per person incl. midnight snack

Discover the world of art in the 21st century: where science and art collide, and experimental forms become visible. For 300 days, the GLOBALE will display the newest developments in art, design, architecture, music, natural science, technology, economics, ecology, theater, performance, and film.

GLOBALE Tours

Duration: 60 minutes, max. 20 people

Price: 65 € for groups of 10 people or more

9.50 € per person incl. snack

GLOBALE Tours with round table discussions

Tour followed by a ZKM round table discussion about the GLOBALE including coffee and cake.

Duration: 120 minutes, max. 20 people

Price: 65 € for groups of 10 people or more

12.50 € per person incl. coffee and cake

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Opening hours:

Tues. – Fri., 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Sat., Sun., and holidays, 11 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Admission: groups of 10 or more receive a reduced admission price of 6.50 €