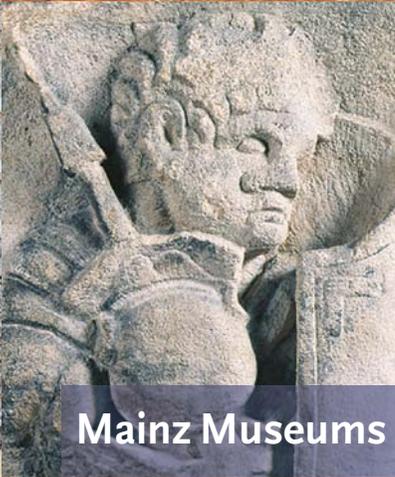


"The Tower of Babel" is one of the finest items on show in the Landesmuseum Mainz



Mainz Museums



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Photo left: Roman glasses and clay finds
Photo right: Brick Museum

Mainz-Bretzenheim

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Opening hours
by arrangement, admission free

Prehistoric finds from the Bretzenheim district, dating from the period 3000–800 BC are exhibited in the town hall An der Wied. The club room shows historical views and plans, for example a model of Bretzenheim from the year 1842, as well as documents and publications on the history of both localities.

Brick Museum
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Flat under-tile ("*tegulae*" from which the English term "tile" is derived)



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Guided tours by arrangement,
admission free

A Brick Museum has been established above the ring kiln of the Old Rosbach Brickworks in which bricks and water pipes from five thousand years are displayed – Sumerian bricks with cuneiform inscription and Roman architectural ceramics, bricks from the Middle Ages to the present. The spacious exhibition area allows the presentation of roofing, masonry brick bonding and water pipelines.

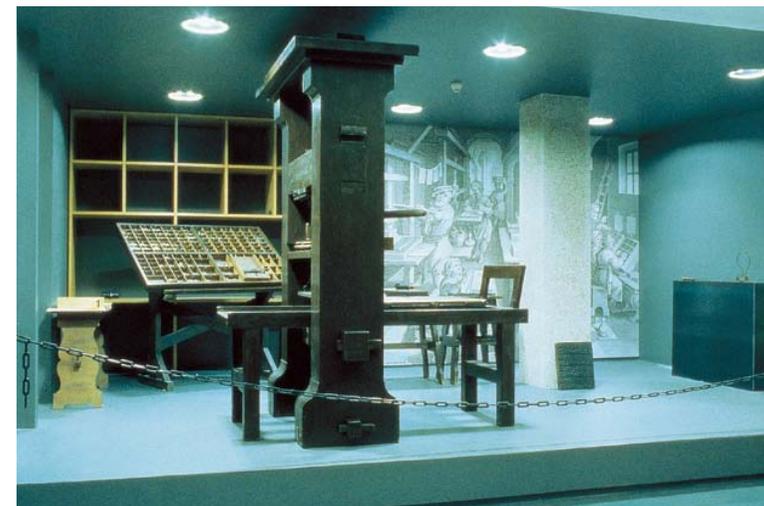


Man with spectacles from
"Christ among the Doctors"

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Gutenberg's reconstructed press and workshop





Ptolemy's World Map

Gutenberg Museum

Four thousand years of the history of the culture of writing from all over the world are to be encountered in the Gutenberg Museum. Johannes Gutenberg from Mainz plays one of the main roles in this: about 550 years ago he invented printing with type made by using a casting device and the printing press. This technique can be experienced in the Gutenberg Museum – for example in his reconstructed workshop. With a large number of printing implements, old presses and typesetting machines, the history of letterpress printing comes to life. The main focus of the permanent exhibition are important printed works from the 15th century to the present. The heart are two copies of the world-famous 42-line Gutenberg Bible which are to be seen in the strong-room.



Gutenberg Bible (1452–55), Mainz

Mainz Upper City

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Admission charge: Donation

The Historical Garrison Storage Depot gives an insight into the history of the Mainz Garrison from the mid-19th century to the present day.

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Opening hours
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Guided tours by arrangement
Admission free

2000 years of history in Weisenau are shown in the staircase of the Schiller School – from the Celts and Romans, through the Franks to the local lords in the Middle Ages. The modern period down to the present day is also to be presented shortly.

Roman Tombs Road
Via Sepulcrum Moguntiaci
Bettelpfad

Opening hours
By arrangement
Admission free

The Tombs Road led along the road connecting the military camps on the Kästrich and Weisenau. The glazed presentation room conveys an impression of the finds.





The presentation room in Weisenau

Mainz-Gonsenheim

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Opening hours
Sunday 10–12.30
Admission free

In Gonsenheim Museum, archaeological finds, documents, pictures, plans working implements, coaches, artists, exhibits from churches, utensils from farms, carnival orders and much more are exhibited.

Mainz-Mombach

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Opening hours
From the end of June to
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Admission free (donations
are welcome)

Apart from yearly changing special exhibitions, information and photos on the history of Mombach, old club banners, clothing, kitchen fittings, a historical hairdresser's shop are to be seen in the Museum.

Photo left: Photos, clothing and tools of the trade from raftsmen's everyday life in Kastel
Photo right: Finds in the Kastel local history museum



Hand casting instrument for casting lead type

Examples of European printing culture are spaciouly displayed. Apart from books and broadsheets, there are also job-works, posters, exlibris book-plates and much more. Printing techniques, the manufacture of paper and how a book-binding is produced are also explained. However, being the "World Museum of the Art of Printing" the Gutenberg Museum also shows the early history of printing in Eastern Asia (since the eighth century), as well as writing and printing in Islamic countries. A manuscripts department illustrates the development of writing from cuneiform script to the modern alphabet. Many of these fields can be experienced in practice during workshops held by the Museum.



Lead type

In addition, the Gutenberg Museum offers visitors a public special library with more than 80,000 volumes, a varied programme of special exhibitions, a range of museum educational programmes with many workshops all around the print shop, in which you can print for yourself daily, a well-stocked Museum Shop, as well as the cosy museum café Co|dex. The administration, library and Mini Press Archive are accommodated in the imposing Renaissance palace “At the sign of the Roman Emperor”. This is also the domicile of the International Gutenberg Society which has supported the Museum since its foundation, promoting research in the field of the book and printing.

Gutenberg Museum in the “Roman Emperor” building



Museums in the districts of the city

Mainz-Kastel

Raftsmen's Museum

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Opening hours

daily 11-23
Guided tours for groups by
arrangement, admission free

The occupation of raftsmen was practised for over 400 years in Kastel. In the Museum, numerous exhibits, such as tools and pictures of the occupation of raftsmen with its rich tradition are to be seen with detailed explanations.

Roman Triumphal Arch Museum

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Opening hours

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Su 10.30-12.30
Guided tours for groups by
arrangement, admission free

A part of the foundation of the triumphal arch or Germanicus Arch is to be seen in the old centre of Kastel. The arch was once over 20 metres high with a width of over 12 metres.





Museum Castellum

Since 1990, the Society for Local History has presented finds from early history and in particular from the Roman period behind the thick walls of the Reduit fortress, in the immediate vicinity of the Mainz-Kastel bridgehead. Terracotta vessels, tiles, parts of the ancient aqueduct, the reconstruction of *thermae*, but also tableware made of *terra sigillata* tell of everyday life in Castellum Mattiacorum. Particularly valuable are parts of a cache of coins found in Kastel in 1962, a set of surgical instruments as well as a bust of Emperor Constantine.

Several sacrificial altars, sarcophagi and urns, in particular the Kastel Aedicule, an outstanding work of sculpture, give evidence of cult and religion in antiquity. Customs and history over the centuries down to the present are reflected in the exhibitions. For almost 20 years, the Museum Castellum has also accommodated the “Kastel Carnival Cabinet” showing exhibits worth seeing of the history of carnival here.

Photo top: *Trajan Hall* with Roman finds and the replica of the *Germanicus Triumphal Arch*

Photo right page: The Museum Castellum is located in the Reduit, a historic fortress building on the Kastel bank of the Rhine

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OPENING HOURS AND ADMISSION PRICES

From February to November
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Admission free
Guided tours for groups
by arrangement

The Gutenberg Museum's Print Shop

The Print Shop, as a living workshop, has been the best known facet of the museum educational programme of the Gutenberg Museum in Mainz for more than 20 years. Everyone interested in printing techniques will find something on offer to suit him here. The group programme, which takes all age groups into account, from schoolchildren to senior citizens, gives an introduction to the principle of letterpress printing. By means of a facsimile block from the Gutenberg Bible, the principle of Gutenberg's printing and the rudiments of manual typesetting can be reconstructed using your own hands with the help of printing blocks with the most varied motifs and wooden type characters. This experience for yourself can be complemented by carrying out other printing techniques, such as intaglio printing or frottage. In the composing workshop, the most varied printed products are prepared by means of manual setting. Numerous workshops, actions accompanying exhibitions and presentations of the museum educational workshops in the museum complete the programme.

Concentrated work in the Print Shop





Workshops for budding printers

Mini Press Archive

The Mainz Mini Press Archive (MMPA) is affiliated to the Gutenberg Museum. It collects the literary and book craft products of small and smallest printers and publishers, also known as mini presses. In addition to that, the MMPA organises the Mainz Mini Press Fair and the award of the Victor Otto Stomps Prize of the State Capital Mainz for outstanding attainments by small publishers.

Gutenberg Library

The Gutenberg Museum Library is a specialist library containing more than 80,000 volumes, academic series and numerous journals on the history of the book, printing and writing. The reading room in the "Roman Emperor" building is open to every person interested. There is literature here on all the Museum's departments.

Gutenberg Shop

The Gutenberg Shops in the Museum, in the *Allgemeine Zeitung* building at Markt 17, as well as in the Internet at www.gutenberg-shop.de offer about 800 exclusive items all round printing, writing and reading.



Hall of Grapes from the 1900 World Exhibition in Paris

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Guided tour and *Sekt* tasting by
 prior appointment.

 Guided tour of the museum
 and cellars incl. a glass
 of *Sekt* € 9.00
 Guided tour with
Sekt tasting from € 14.00



Photo left: Art nouveau sekt glass
Photo right: Historic cellar complex

Kupferberg Museum

Why is sparkling wine called *Sekt* in Germany, and not champagne? How do the bubbles come into the bottle? What is the difference between champagne, *brut*, *Sekt*, *Prosecco* and *Perlwein*? Answers are to be found to all these questions at the Kupferberg Museum. The Museum for Sekt and its cultural history is located on the picturesque hill above the city. That is the original headquarters of the erstwhile Sektkellerei Kupferberg, one of Germany's oldest sparkling wine manufacturers. The Museum offers a fascinating journey through the unusual history of the effervescent luxury beverage, its beginnings and its culinary importance. But one department is not just devoted to the drink, but also to the vessels from which it is drunk. With almost 600 glasses, the collection of historic sparkling wine and champagne glasses is the most important assemblage of its kind worldwide. Also unique is the "Hall of Grapes" decorated in purest art nouveau style. It was created specifically for the World Exhibition in Paris in 1900. Deep below in the cellars are massive and richly decorated oak barrels. The largest of them has a capacity of some 100,000 litres. The vaults beneath the building, extending down over several levels, are medieval in origin, one part can even be traced back to the Roman period of the Kästrich.



Historic advertising poster for the traditional brand

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Gutenberg Museum

Tu to Sa	9-17
Su	11-15
Closed on Mondays and public holidays	
Special opening hours at www.gutenberg-museum.de	
Adults	€ 5.00
Groups of over 10 persons	€ 3.50
Children below the age of 7	Admission free
Children aged from 7 to 18	€ 2.00
Groups of over 10 persons	€ 1.50

Reduced rate	€ 3.00
Family ticket	€ 10.00
Yearly season ticket	€ 25.00

Gutenberg Library

Tu to Fr	9-13 and 14-17:30 (last admissions 16:30)
Longer opening hours by arrangement by calling	
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Print Shop

Mo to Fr	9-17
Sa	10-15
and by arrangement	
Every first Thursday in the month "Open Workshop" until 20.00	

SPECIAL OFFERS

Apart from the Print Shop, the Gutenberg Museum offers museum educational actions, workshops and guided tours. You can

obtain further information by calling +49 (0) 61 31-12 25 64 or from Mainz Tourist Office
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Natural History Museum

Exceptional animals and plants, as also the question of the origin of animate and inanimate nature have fascinated human beings since time immemorial. In the Natural History Museum there are extensive collections from the present and prehistoric times bearing witness to this. In addition to exhibits of today's flora and fauna, numerous findings from the geological past of Rhineland-Palatinate are on display. Particular mention should be made of the c. 44 million year old primeval horse from the Eckfelder Maar and the collection of Ice Age animals. The Mainz quagga group is world famous. The Natural History Museum is the only one to possess three of this extinct species of zebra of which there are only 23 preserved specimens worldwide.

Photos (from left to right): Elephants' hall, skeleton of the primeval horse from Eckfelder Maar, Natural History Museum with glass-fronted entrance tower



Presentation in the 1920s kitchen in the first "Long Night of the Mainz Museums" 2004

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Groups on request	
Adults	€ 2.00
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Family ticket	€ 4.00

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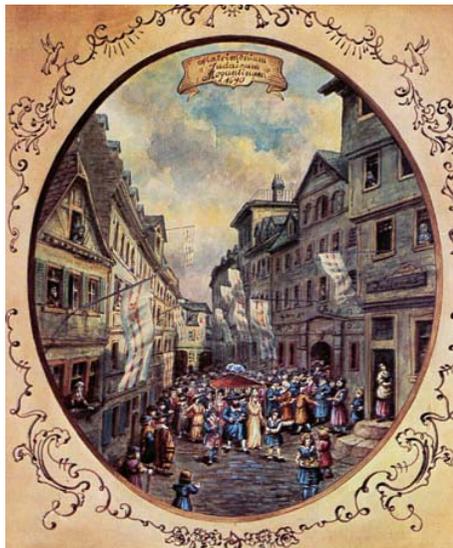


Bembé room, 1910

City History Museum

The Museum has presented excerpts from the city's rich history, from its Roman roots as a legionary camp to the present-day state capital, in the historic ambience of the Citadel monument area since 2003. In the direct vicinity of the 2000-year-old "Drusus Stone", a monument to the Roman commander, the focal points illustrate social, economic and cultural history. Two permanent exhibitions show "Magenza – 1000 Years of Jewish Mainz" and "Economic and Working Life in Mainz in the 19th and 20th Centuries".

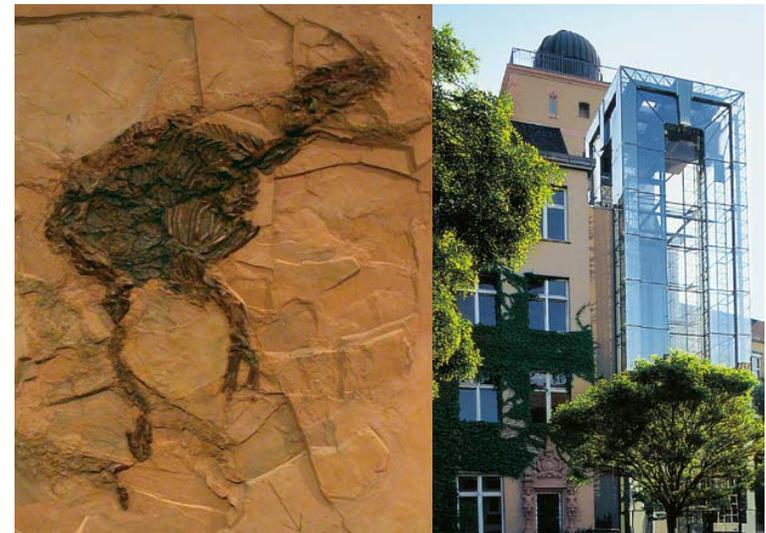
The overall perspective exhibition "Mainz from its Beginnings to the Present – a Journey in Time through the City's History" is also to be seen, as is the small section "Children's Worlds" giving an insight into Mainz children's rooms in earlier times. In addition, there are regular special shows.



Jewish wedding, 1690



Steppe zebra
Quagga mare with foal





Shells from the Mainz Basin

Since 1988, the State Collection for Biology of Rhineland-Palatinate has been affiliated to the Natural History Museum. It is the state's documentation centre for all the evidence of the history of the earth and life in Rhineland-Palatinate. The material kept in it comes from its own scientific excavations, such as, for example, in Eckfeld and Eppelsheim, or other institutions' excavations and collections. Furthermore, scientifically valuable individual items and whole collections also come into the State Collection by donation or purchase.

The services offered by the Natural History Museum also, of course, include a wide-ranging educational programme. Apart from classical guided tours of the museum, holiday programmes, museum games and lectures for children are a magnet for the young public.

Skeleton of the woolly rhinoceros



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OPENING HOURS AND ADMISSION PRICES

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Adults	€ 1.50
Group of over 5 persons per person	€ 1.00
Reduced	€ 1.00
Children up to the age of 14	€ 0.50
School classes free (after arranging a time)	



Photos (from left to right): Mainz
Carnival jester, 1938, Margit Sponheimer, Carnival star

Mainz Carnival Museum

In 1972, Karl Delorme, a true son of Mainz, at that time head of the city's cultural department, laid the foundation stone for the Carnival Archive from which the Carnival Museum emerged in 2004. This has found its place at the heart of the city in the historic Supply Depot building. With more than 400 square metres of exhibition space and some 50 glass display cabinets, the Museum now offers a richly faceted survey of the famous Mainz Carnival – from the first Carnival procession on Shrovetide Monday in 1837 to the present day.

What is a “*Scheierborzeler*”? What is a “*Haubensitzung*”? Who composed “*Humba, Humba, Tätärä*”? Answers to these questions and many more carnival-crazy facts are to be discovered there: orders, jesters' caps and sceptres, guard uniforms and costumes, the records of carnival sessions, programmes and song booklets, historic pictorial and sound documents, excerpts from the TV broadcasts of carnival sessions “*Mainz, wie es singt und lacht*” and “*Mainz bleibt Mainz*”, politics and “*Määnzer Kokolores*”, “*Fraa Babbisch*” and “*Fraa Struwelich*”, Ernst Neger, Margit Sponheimer, Dr. Willi Scheu, Rolf Braun, Herbert Bonewitz and many others. The Mainz Carnival Museum lets more than 160 years of carnival history pass in review and shows much that is typical for the “fifth season of the year” in Mainz.

Photo left: Ernst Neger, Carnival star

Photo right: Dürr and Berresheim alias *Frau Babbisch* and *Frau Struwelich*

Photo right page: Historic swell-heads (*Schwellköpp*) in 1927



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Th to Su	10–17
Mo	closed

ADMISSION PRICES

Adults	€ 1.50
Reduced	€ 1.00
Children and young people up to the age of 18	€ 0.50
Family ticket	€ 3.00
Family annual season ticket	€ 50.00

Admission is free on Sundays
and public holidays.
Guided tours on request.

SPECIAL OFFERS

Special exhibitions, holiday programmes, guided tours, events for all age groups, “Mature for culture” for senior citizens

Lecture with animals

for children from 5 to 9 years of age
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Collectors' meetings on the topic of geology and palaeontology

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Botanical Study Group

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Hands-on chest for trying out

Landesmuseum Mainz

Try out, touch, smell and see: Art in the Landesmuseum can be experienced with all the senses. Audio stations and state-of-the-art media give deeper information and relate methods of craft production, technical developments and profound social changes. Staged scenes, such as a prince's grave in the early Middle Ages or a living room in Goethe's time also involve the visitor, allowing him to draw instructive comparisons.

The baroque building with the modern glass and steel construction facing the inner courtyard together with the Electoral Stables form the attractive ensemble of the new Landesmuseum Mainz. The wealth and the international relations of the cosmopolitan City of Mainz have had an effect on the Landesmuseum's numerous collections. The important art and cultural historical collections range from the beginnings of mankind to modern art. They include archaeological findings from pre-history and early history, exhibits from the age of the Roman Empire, art and culture from the Middle Ages, Renaissance, Baroque and nineteenth century down to works of the 20th and 21st centuries. Apart from important tombstones from the 11th century on, the Judaica department has, above all, cult objects of the 18th and 19th centuries – impressive testimony to the long history of the City of Mainz.

Entrance to the Landesmuseum with the Golden Horse



Panther made of bronze

Walls, stones and finds were stored carefully for three years. In 2003, the temple was reconstructed at the place where it had been found in the presentation room of the "Taberna archaeologica". A staging of the shrine to appeal to all the senses now awaits visitors on their journey back through time to the world of the cults of Rome.

Presentation of the ruins of the shrine in Römerpassage





Photo left: Oil lamps

Photo right: Grave of the Hallstatt period

Isis and Mater Magna shrine

Oil lamps cast a flickering light onto the walls of the temple, the scent of incense and burnt fruit hangs heavily in the air... The Mainz earth has brought a little more light into the Romans' everyday rituals in Moguntiacum. In 2000, parts of a temple dedicated to the Ancient Egyptian deity Isis and the Oriental Mater Magna were found which was probably in use until the 3rd century. A sensational view of religious cults in the Roman period thus became possible. In addition to the more than 300 oil lamps found all around the temple, the sacrificial offerings excavated caused a sensation: Apart from fruit, such as dates and figs, pine nuts and cereal seed were burnt on altars. Animal sacrifices were also made, as innumerable chicken bones prove. Among the statuettes recovered are a pair of lovers in a tight embrace, a Venus, a bull with a sacrificial binding and a bronze Mercury with a moneybag in his hand. The foundations of the Roman shrine of the Isis and Mater Magna Temple were discovered during excavation works for a shopping arcade.



Photo top: Art nouveau glasses

Photo bottom: Mainz Baroque ensemble



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Guided tours by arrangement
Admission free



Pablo Picasso, Woman's Head, 1908
Rudolf Levy, Still life with fruit, 1921
Arnulf Rainer, Overpainted cross with
Christ's head, 1985/87

In the ZeitRaum [TimeRoom], an action room for young and old, individual epochs from the early Middle Ages to the present day are presented at interactive stations. They arouse one's own creativity and curiosity for the original. In addition, visitors can attend workshops, creative courses or readings here. School classes and kindergarten groups are very welcome.

The Landesmuseum Mainz in the "Golden Horse Barracks", the former Electoral Stables, is one of Germany's oldest museums. It wants to be a museum for ALL visitors: All the rooms and objects are accessible to mobility-impaired persons barrier-free.



Head with head-band, fragment from
the former western rood screen in the
Cathedral, around 1240

Photo left: Lorenzo di Credi, Madonna with the Christ Child, around 1480-90
Photo right: Interested museum visitors



Information

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www.dommuseum-mainz.de

OPENING HOURS AND ADMISSION PRICES

Tu to Su 10-17
Closed on Mondays and also on
church festivals

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Admission to the Cathedral
Treasury
Adults € 3,00
Reduced € 2,50



Photo left: Salian crucifix

Photo right: Bishop's crozier from the 13th century

Cathedral and Diocesan Museum

Important art treasures from more than 1000 years of history of the archbishopric of Mainz are to be seen in the Cathedral and Diocesan Museum. The unique exhibits from the cathedral and the churches of the diocese are shown in historical surroundings, in rooms around the late-Gothic cloister of Mainz Cathedral. World-famous early-Gothic sculptures are to be seen in the vaulted hall dating from the Hohenstaufen period. These include the figures of the "Blessed" and the "Damned" from the erstwhile western rood screen. The highly expressive "Head with the head-band" still has its original application of paint. The rood screen was sculpted around 1240 by the renowned Master of Naumburg and his workshop. The richly coloured and artistically ornate Ottonian book illuminations, as well as the late-Gothic tapestries with their brilliant colours and vivid portrayals of figures are among the best known treasures of the Cathedral Museum.

The initial shows Carmelite monks singing



Celtic glass dog from the second century BC

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OPENING HOURS

We to Su	10–17
Tu	10–20
Mo	closed

ADMISSION PRICES

Adults	€ 5.00
Family ticket I (1 adult + up to 4 children)	€ 5.00
Family ticket II (2 adults + up to 4 children)	€ 10.00
each further child	€ 1.00
Reduced	€ 3.50
Audio guide	€ 1.00

SPECIAL OFFERS

Art in the Lunch Break

Every Tuesday and Thursday
12.30–13

Attendance charge € 1.00

Museum educational offers

For specific offers for certain target groups, such as senior citizens, people with a migration background, persons with handicaps as well as children and young people: see the calendar of events and Internet.

Family Sunday

First Sunday in the month
14–17

Admission per person € 1.00

Costumed guided tours

"Living History"

As announced in advance
and by arrangement

Public advice, art historical expert evaluation

14–16
first Wednesday in the
month Admission € 5.00

Audio guide guided tours

Highlight tour (also in English,
French, Italian, Spanish), City
History Tour, Goldi Tour (for fami-
lies), Audio descriptive guided tour
for blind and visually handicapped
persons, Video guides in the
German Sign Language for deaf
and hearing-impaired persons



Photo left: The Roman-Germanic Central Museum in the Electoral Palace in Mainz

Photo right: Reconstruction of Childeric's funerary objects

Roman-Germanic Central Museum

To make research visible is the objective of the Roman-Germanic Central Museum (RGCM). As the shop window of the international research institute, the Museum, founded in 1852, does not simply show beautiful objects in its permanent exhibitions on the Roman period and the early Middle Ages. Rather archaeological findings from the Stone Age until the Middle Ages, from the Middle East to Spain and from North Africa to Scandinavia are presented in their historical context. The wide variety of the objects enables visitors to the museum to make cultural historical comparisons on the spot. The history behind the objects is brought to life in regular guided tours.

The Roman Age Department takes the visitor through all the provinces of the Roman Empire. In 2010, it was enlarged to include new maps and information steles giving an introductory explanation of the respective topic in the exhibition rooms. One highlight is the Mainz celestial globe that in Antiquity crowned the "hand" of a sundial. Despite its small size, the c. 1800 year old item is one of the show-pieces of the collection in the uniqueness and great detail of its portrayal of the firmament.

The Early Middle Ages Department with more than 3100 exhibits shows for the most part original finds from the whole of Europe and the Near East. Among the items on display are North African tableware, Byzantine gold jewellery, funerary objects of Sassanid warriors as well as replicas of the for the most part lost grave furnishings of the Frankish king Childeric (d. 482 AD). The restorers of the RGCM copied the regal jewellery accurately in every detail on the basis of the documentation published back in 1655 of the findings made shortly beforehand.

The exhibits of the Prehistory Department are at present in store, but will find their way back into the permanent exhibition again in the new Archaeological Centre building which the RGCM will also be moving into.

Information

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OPENING HOURS AND ADMISSION PRICES

Tu to Su	10-18
Mo	closed
Admission free	

SPECIAL OFFERS

Regular guided tours on specific topics, Sundays 14

Adults	€ 3.00
Reduced	€ 2.00
Family ticket	€ 6.00

Museum educational programmes
Information in the Internet and at service@rgzm.de

Audio stations

In the exhibition for adults and children in German

Supporting Association

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Reconstructed military ship

Museum. These replicas constructed to a scale of 1:1 illustrate how the original finds exhibited in the direct vicinity probably looked. What is new is the large gallery above the exhibition which is devoted to the history of shipbuilding. There, in particular, those persons, who always wanted to obtain a chronological overview of shipbuilding in Antiquity between the Indian Ocean and the North Sea will get their money's worth. One particular highlight of the Museum are the restoration workshops which can be viewed through windows from the exhibition rooms. In this way, visitors are presented with the unusual possibility of being able to watch the restorers and model builders directly at work. Small visitors are also catered for: At audio stations, children explain selected exhibits to children in their way. In drawers they will find objects with which they can find their own way into the world of ancient shipping.

"Wreck 5" from Mainz harbour



Roman celestial globe,
150-220 AD

Information

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OPENING HOURS AND ADMISSION PRICES

Tu to Su 10-18
Mo closed
Admission free

Special offers

Family Sunday: Last Sunday in
the month
Guided tours 11, 14
Regular guided tours on
specific topics, Sundays 11
Adults € 3.00
Reduced € 2.00
Family ticket € 6.00

Museum educational programmes

Information at www.rgzm.de
and at service@rgzm.de
Audio guide guided tours in the
Early Middle Ages Department
in German € 2.00 (takes c. 45
minutes)



Museum of Ancient Shipping

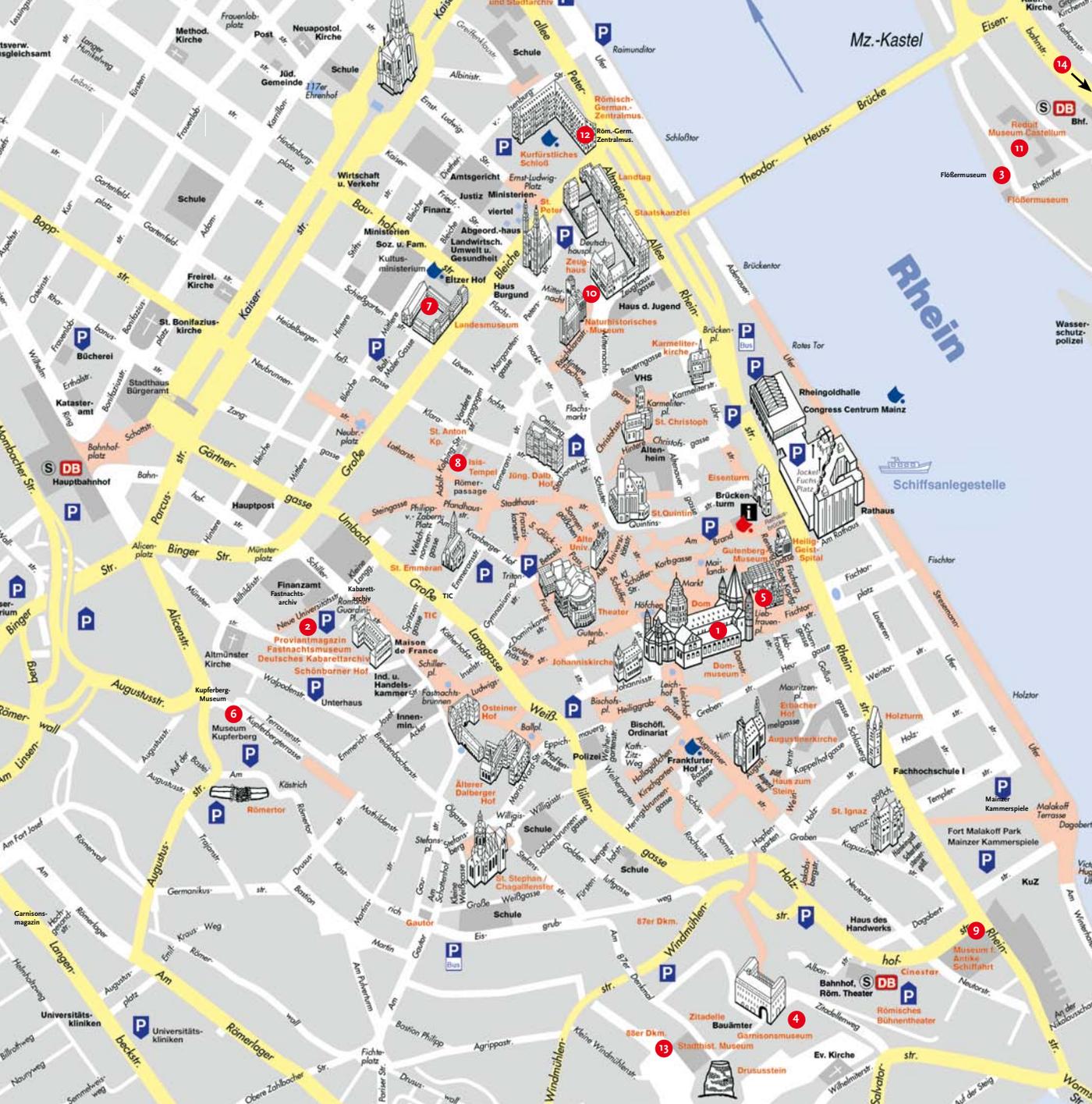
Museum of Ancient Shipping

What did the ships look like which kept watch on Germanic border areas from the rivers in late Antiquity? How did resourceful persons get a heavy object to float at all? The Museum of Ancient Shipping is opening its doors once again in autumn 2011 after a year's reorgan-

isation. A total of five ships were recovered as spectacular finds from the former Roman harbour area during construction works for the new Hilton Hotel in 1981. Two military ships from the Roman Rhine flotilla, reconstructed true to the original, are the heart of the



Replicas of late-antique
military ships from Mainz



City map of Mainz

Mainz-Kostheim

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Opening hours

The first Sunday of each month
 (except on public holidays) from
 10-12 and from 15-17

Kostheim Local History Museum shows exhibits from the area, including findings from the Celtic and Roman period. Club banners, old weapons and findings from rafting transport round of the impressions of the past of this part of the city. In addition, a comprehensive collection of sculptures by the blind Mainz sculptor Jakob Schmitt (1891-1955) is to be seen.

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