



# WELCOME CENTER NEWSLETTER

TUM International Center

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## Welcome Center Events

**Sunday, May 27**

### Munich's Myths and Fables

Did you ever wonder why the citizens of Munich stroke the lions' jaws when they pass the Residence Palace? Which legends about the 'Monkey Tower' still exist today? Why does the so called 'Brezenreiter' hand out pretzels? Together with [our tour guide](#), we will discover the secrets of Munich's most beautiful myths and grotesque fables.



Photo: Sigi Mueller / München Tourismus

**Meeting Place:** Marian Column at Marienplatz

**Time:** 10:45 a.m.

**Price:** EUR 3.00

To register, please send an [e-mail to Stefanie Bossert](#) by May 18.

# Events in Munich

**Friday, May 4 – Saturday, May 5**

## Night of the Tracht

For those who can no longer wait for the next Oktoberfest, the [Night of the Tracht](#) offers a versatile program with folk music, traditional food and traditional costumes. Visit the Paulaner am Nockherberg, present your beautiful Dirndl and Lederhosen, and enjoy a Mass beer.

**Location:** Paulaner am Nockherberg, Hochstraße 77, 81541 Munich

**Public Transport:** U2 Kolumbusplatz and Tram 18/ Bus 52 Mariahilfplatz

**Time:** start 7:30 p.m.

**Price:** [starting from EUR 29.00](#)



**Saturday, May 5 – Sunday, May 6**

## Streetlife Festival

Every summer and autumn, the [Streetlife Festival](#) takes place at the car-free Ludwigstraße and Leopoldstraße in Munich. The Festival attracted around 150.000 visitors in summer last year. It offers a fascinating mixture of culture and urban adventure. The major theme is “Life in the City”, and hence you will find information all around climate and energy, mobility, politics, city design, art, family, food, and sport and lifestyle.



There will be free show acts, music stages and many possibilities to participate. Next to the yearly Silent Headphone-Party, another highlight will be the art project “Urban Paradise” with a palm tree garden and a reading lounge at the Siegestor.

**Location:** Ludwigstraße / Leopoldstraße

**Public Transport:** U3 / U6 Odeonsplatz / Universität, U4 / U5 Odeonsplatz

**Time:** Saturday 4 p.m. until 2 a.m.; Sunday 11 a.m. until 8 p.m.

**Price:** free

**Sunday, May 6**

### **Wings for Life World Run**

The Wings for Life World Run is a global running and wheelchair event that starts worldwide at exactly the same time and only ends when the last runner is caught by the so called Catcher Car.

In 2018, the world once again runs for those who can't. Runners in Germany will start for the third time in Munich's Olympiapark. The starting signal goes off at exactly 1 p.m. local time. Half an hour later, at 1.30 p.m. local time, the Catcher Car will start chasing the runners: for those who get caught, the race is over.



Be part of it: You can join thousands of runners worldwide at the Wings for Life World Run – the first truly global run. Step up to the challenge, nominate your friends and run for those who can't.

**Location:** Olympiapark München

**Public Transport:** Tram 20/21 Olympiapark West

**Time:** start 1 p.m.

**Price:** [starting from EUR 49.00](#)

**Monday, May 14**

### **Bakers Jam – Your Chance to Improvise!**

too. Get up on stage and join us for some fun improv games, or just give us your give us your suggestions and ... go on, we know you want to!

**Location:** Glockenbachwerkstatt,  
Blumenstrasse 7, 80331 Munich

**Public Transport:** U1/ U2/ U3/ U6  
Sendlinger Tor, Bus 52/ 62 Blumenstraße

**Time:** 8 p.m. until 9.30 p.m.

**Price:** entry is free, donations are much appreciated!



## Events in Garching

Thursday, May 3 – Friday, May 4

### maiTUM 2018

The maiTUM is an annual event organized by the TUM students' council. It brings the Bavarian tradition of the Maibaum on campus. This year's maiTUM is special because it is taking place for the first time on the campus in Garching and you can take a ride in the Ferris Wheel and enjoy a great view on the whole Garching campus.

**Location:** in front of the Informatics department on the campus in Garching

**Public Transport:** U6 Garching

**Time:** 11:00 a.m.

**Price:** free



## Events in Freising

Friday, May 4 – Sunday, May 13

### Uferlos Festival

The “market of possibilities, where a various number of exhibitors and artists offer their exotic goods, represents the heart of the [Uferlos Festival](#). Besides a huge range of accessories and furniture, the merchants sell handcrafted jewelry, clothing, toys as well as culinary specialties from all over the world.



But not only the eye and the palate is getting pampered by the unique atmosphere of colors, fragrances and flavors: four circus tents around the market offer a versatile music and entertainment program, which is with very few exceptions for free!

**Location:** Luitpoldstraße 1, 85356 Freising

**Public Transport:** S1 to Freising

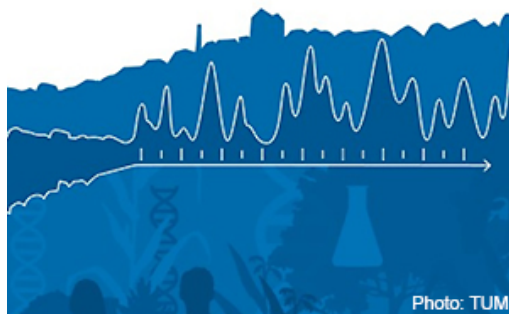
**Time:** Monday to Wednesday 4 p.m. – 1 a.m.; Thursday 12 a.m. – 1 a.m.; Friday 4 p.m. – 2 a.m.; Saturday 2 p.m. – 2 a.m.; Sunday 12 a.m. – 1 p.m.

**Price:** free

**Tuesday, May 15**

### **TUM@Freising – Science for everybody**

TUM@Freising is an exciting format to bring science closer to non-scientists. The [May session](#) will be focusing on our groceries, and how the supply of them is going to develop in the future. Prof. Dr.-Ing. Ulrich Kulozik, from the Chair of Food and Bioprocess Engineering, will present this highly important topic.



**Location:** Lindenkeller Freising, Veitsmüllerweg 2, 85354 Freising

**Public Transport:** S1 to Freising

**Time:** 7 p.m.

**Price:** free

## **Notes**

### **Little “How do Germans tick” Guide: Public Holidays in May**

Like you might have already noticed – May is full of extra free days! To get a better idea of what we are celebrating next month, we wrote you a little „Holiday Guide“.



As in many other countries May 1, [May Day](#) or, as it is called in Germany, Labour Day is a public holiday. It is not only an ancient festival to welcome spring and drive away evil spirits – it is also an occasion to celebrate workers’ rights, particularly in Berlin. So besides observing the night between April 30 and May 1 as Walpurgisnacht and lightening bonfires (Hexenfeuer), on May 1 many street marches and public barbecues are organized by local (sport) clubs and political parties.

### **Events in and around Munich**

**Sunday, April 30**

#### **Walpurgis Night in Kirchseeon**

**Location:** Market square, 85614 Kirchseeon

**Time:** 7 p.m.

**Monday, May 1**

#### **Culture Festival**

**Location:** Marienplatz

**Time:** 12 a.m.

#### **Mother’s Day**

Even though May 13 is not an official public holiday in Germany, Mother’s Day is celebrated within the family to remember ones mother und mother figures. The celebration varies from sending cards and giving little presents to family breakfasts.

## Ascension Day

Thirty-nine days after Easter Sunday, Germans celebrate the Ascension Day to mark Jesus ascension to heaven. On this day, Christians attend special church services and in some rural Catholic areas, a procession (Oeschprozession, Flurprozession) of religious banners is held in the fields around the villages. Four different Bible texts are read at four 'stations' during these processions.

In some parts of Germany the Ascension Day is also known as Father's Day (Vatertag) or Men's Day (Männertag, Herrentag). Groups of male friends or male relatives spend a day together. They often take part in an outdoor activity, such as a walk in the country or a horse-and-cart ride. And because the Bollerwagen are often filled with beer and alcoholic drinks, be prepared to see a lot of drunk people on May 10.

## Further holidays in May 2018

Whit Sunday and Whit Monday: May 20 and May 21

Corpus Christi: May 31

In total, you'll have 4 free days extra in May. And you can make even more out of them, if you also take the so-called Brückentage ("bridge day", the day between the weekend and one of the May holidays), off.

## Accommodation Support

If you plan to leave Munich in a while and are staying in a private accommodation that could possibly be rented out again to other international guests, please send an [e-mail to the Accommodation Support](#).

## TUM Research Alumni Network

Before leaving Munich, do not forget to join the [TUM Research Alumni Network](#). In this way, you will remain part of the international academic community of the Technical University of Munich. Also, do not miss to join the [TUM Research Alumni Gallery](#) and thus show your enduring affiliation to our institution.

## Mentoring for Scientists

The [Mentoring for Scientists program](#) is designed for [international Research Alumni](#) and current guest scientists of TUM. It supports PhD students and post-docs in research and research-related matters. If you want to share your knowledge or learn from experienced colleagues, you can either apply [for a mentor or a mentee](#) during your stay at TUM.

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