

With the exception of the marked events, all concerts start at 8:30 PM.

Sparkassen Stage Market

✿ **Concerts & Events**

8:30 PM

11/08	Sonos Cliq	
12/08	Il Civetto	
13/08	The Maestro & The European Pop Orchestra	
14/08	Querbeat	
15/08	Álvaro Soler	
16/08	Mia	
17/08	Marley's Ghost	
18/08	Ringo	
19/08	Shantel	
20/08	Knallblech	
21/08	Kids Rave	5:00 PM
21/08	Harris & Ford	
22/08	Elton and the Joels	
23/08	Lagerfeuer-Trio	

Daily WEG Show 7 PM

Stawag Stage Katschhof

International bands bring the **Sparkassen Stage** at the market square to life, creating a lively atmosphere and offering something for everyone.

On the **Stawag Stage** at Katschhof, every day at 7 PM we relive the best moments from the Soers in our "Welcome Home" Equestrian World Championship show. Featuring highlights of the day, winner's ceremony, panel discussions, and much more. In addition, visitors can follow the tournament via live broadcasting or take a ride on the Ferris wheel. The Science Show will also take place here on August 22 at 4 PM.

Special **culinary** offerings reflecting the "Öcher lifestyle" and inviting visitors to linger in the city center can be found at Katschhof and Münsterplatz. With a cold drink and tasty snacks, you can enjoy the atmosphere of the historic old town.

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We kindly ask all visitors to reach both the Soers and the city center by public transport if possible. Appropriate shuttle buses are available. → aachen.de/wmanreise

✿ **The Horse. Three Museums**

17/05 – 23/08 **Suermondt-Ludwig-Museum**
The Happiness of the Earth.
Dürer, Rubens, Goya: Horses in Art

**Centre Charlemagne —
New City Museum Aachen**
Tradition – Innovation – Emotion.
100 Years of CHIO

Ludwig Forum Aachen
Centaur – Human and Horse.
A film installation



Alexis Breda/Chim Wolfram/Pyros - 1930
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✿ **Out and about**

19/08 **Bike summer tour**
4:30 PM
Anyone who would like to explore the area around the tournament can take a beautiful bike tour through the scenic "Horse Country Park" between Aachen, Herzogenrath, and Kerkrade. The route passes through the Soers, the Hasenwald field, and the Horbach borders.
→ neuinaachen@mail.aachen.de

More **cycling routes** and **hiking trails** around the Soers and the city center can be found on Komoot. Further **mobility tips**, discounts and information → aachen.de/wmanreise

11/08 – 23/08 **Guided tour through old town or city hall**
Join the aachen tourist service e.v., by exploring the winding alleys, charming squares, and the city hall. Here history comes alive between historical heritage and modern lifestyle.
→ aachen-tourismus.de/wm

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The **Equestrian World Championships** bring the world to Aachen – and place us right at the heart of the action. From August 11 to 23 2026, around 650 athletes from 35 countries will come to Aachen. With a total of 800 horses, they will compete in six disciplines, cheered on by 500,000 visitors.

We bring the excitement of the tournament into the city center and warmly invite everyone to the **Aachen World Championship Special!** Whether culture, cuisine, or thrilling concerts – the supporting program will make the city's unique atmosphere truly come alive.



✱ Equestrian Chess Game ✱

Katschhof

10/07
–03/08

Horse figures as tall as children, knights competing against kings – a game for young and old: these are the ingredients of an oversized **chess game**, made entirely out of horse characters. The figures were 3D-printed by RWTH University and are all unique. Anyone who is interested can come and play or learn how to play chess.

On July 10 at 4 PM, the Aachen Chess Association will demonstrate how to play and assist with the rules.



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✱ Archimedean Sandbox and Hobby Horsing

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This year the children's holiday program focuses solely on horses. The children are building a wooden **horse sculpture** and artistic obstacles in Aachen's largest sandbox. At the final event on July 31 children can try out the course with hobby horses. Germany's show jumping champion in hobby horsing will also attend and give advice.

28/07
–31/07
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Hobby horsing holiday activity: a creative program focusing on horses. In the **city library**, children can create hobby horses and winner's ribbons and write their own horse stories. For the finale, they head with their hobby horses to the course at the Archimedean sandbox.

✱ WEG Highlights

Sportpark Soers

11/08	Opening Ceremony	8:15 PM
15/08	Cross-Country Test	9:15 AM
22/08	Driving Marathon	11 AM

→ aachen2026.com/programme/

✱ Culture

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The VHS Aachen offers a **guided tour**: "From Equestrian Sport to War Front – The Aachen Border Region as a Theater of War in 1944."

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The **municipal cultural department** and the independent scene organized a supporting program at various locations in the city center for everyone: dance, performances, music, children's programs, walking acts, theater, street art, and much more.

✱ Art Action by Tim Berresheim

A more beautiful walk: experience art on the way from the Soers to the city center. The artist **Tim Berresheim** brings horses to life at six locations using augmented reality.



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