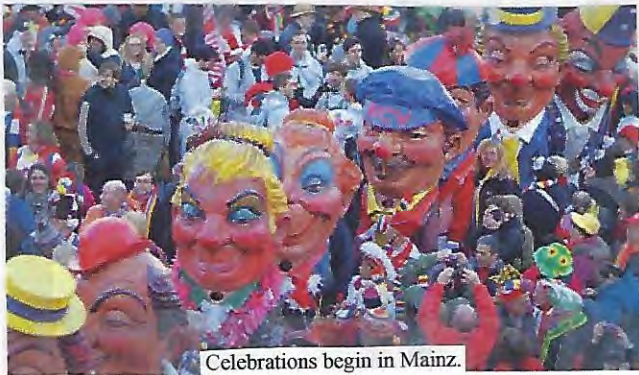


## Fastnacht in Mainz

Famous for its parades and parties, Mainz has some parade participants that literally stand out from the rest of the crowd. For decades, Schwellköpp, or oversized, caricatured papier-mâché heads, have been a part of the Rosenmontag parade.

Mainz celebrations also have a reputation for diving into politics. In recent years, floats and costumes have caricatured international politicians, including not surprisingly U.S. President Donald Trump.

Meanwhile over half a million spectators are expected to attend the Rosenmontag parade in Mainz, Rhineland-Palatinate.



Celebrations begin in Mainz.



Schwellköpp  
bei der Mainzer  
Fastnacht



A group of clowns gets into the carnival spirit in Mainz



Send in the clowns: Carnival in Mainz.

## CARNIVAL IN MAINZ



A woman dressed as E.T. at the Mainz Carnival