



Dondrite news

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he New Year is here. Welcome to the first edition of the Dondrite News in 2019! This month, we'll be addressing some of your biggest woes - exams. We've spilled the tea on the best places to study, and get a fancy cuppa on campus. Alongside this, you can find

the latest updates on all the fun events Dondrite will be putting on throughout the year - we're bringing you Gala realness. There's also a quiz from the Synapsium committee on their mysterious event date & keynote speaker. Plenty to procrastinate!

Radboud's Top 3 Coffee & Study Spaces

The exam season is well and truly upon us. During these dark days it can seem nearly impossible to muster up the strength to drag yourself to the land of productivity. This can be even harder when you have to try and decide where is the best place to find a quiet spot to bat out those lecture notes, or that serves the tastiest beverage to fuel you through the study sesh. Fear not, for here are our best coffee & study spaces campus has to offer!

1 - Central Library

The Central Library is one of the main hubs on campus, and you should definitely get acquainted with it. Boasting three floors of study space, computer & printing access and the Academic Writing Centre, it also holds a large

array of study material (for those who like their old-school book work). The Central Library has a mix of quiet and silent study areas, for instance the first floor is usually quiet (think conversational level), whereas the basement is completely silent - giving you the opportunity to determine how concentrated you want your study sesh to be. The first floor is also home to the library café, a great place to grab a bite to eat because let's be real, #adulting is hard, especially when you're in the thick of exams. The coffee here is up to the mark, and the tea arrangement is on point for all your caffeine-related needs. All in all, a great location to get your head down and the to-do list checked. Just make sure you get a seat early! Score: 10/10

2 - Grotius (Law Library)

The Grotius building, the newest building on campus, is home to the Faculty of Law. The specialised Law Library, equipped with silent study spaces, all the law books you can imagine and extra printing services, can be considered a sanctuary for more than just Law students. Thankfully, there are no special “club” requirements in order to study here - and this goes for every library on campus. It’s just that the study materials you want for your specific course are in your designated library. The Grotius is also home to Het Gerecht, a good old-fashioned lunch canteen for those of us who need real sustenance during the exam period. The coffee point located at the entrance is also a welcome addition, and a good distance to stretch your legs from the lib. The only drawback about this one is how disgustingly cold both the building and library get. Score: 8/10 (for my frozen fingers)

3 - Spinoza (Social Sciences Library)

After some location changes, i.e. the demise of Thomas van Aquinostraat, the Social Sciences Library is now spread between the fourth floor of the Spinoza building and TvA 8 (i.e. the backend of Spinoza). As members of the Faculty of Social Sciences, this is technically our educational “home”. Downstairs, the DE café can be found with extra study spaces and some top-quality cappuccinos. This is a great place for group work, minding you get a big enough table, but can get quite crowded (and loud) pretty

quickly. It’s also shut for study during the lunch hours. Score: 6/10

So that’s it, the top 3 places to study on campus. Good luck with your exams!

The university has heard our plea for some more study spaces during the exam period, here’s an updated list of the extended opening times:

- First floor University Library - open evenings and weekends.
- Elinor Ostrom Building has increased number of study workstations.
- Elinor Ostrom Building - open Sunday 13 and 20 January from 10 am to 5 pm.
- Spinoza Building study centre Co0.09 also open on Saturdays.
- HAN Building - weekend opening 13th, 19th and 20th January from 10.30 am to 5.30 pm (Laan van Scheut 10)
- On working days, many educational rooms are open as additional study workstations: Erasmus Building, Thomas van Aquinostraat 1 and 8, Collegezalen Complex, Spinoza Building, Linnaeus Building, Grotius Building and Elinor Ostrom Building. Check the rooms

When: February 15, 22:00-02:00

Where: Huize Heyendael

You are invited to our third annual gala! Join us during the cold winter night with a glamorous theme to warm your hearts: Vintage Hollywood. As always, the Donders & Dondrite gala will be full of music, food & drinks, friends and glamour.

The red carpet will be your gateway to elegance and vintage classics on February 15th. The party will start at 22:00 and last until 02:00. Release the classic moviestar in you as the dresscode is black tie (optional).

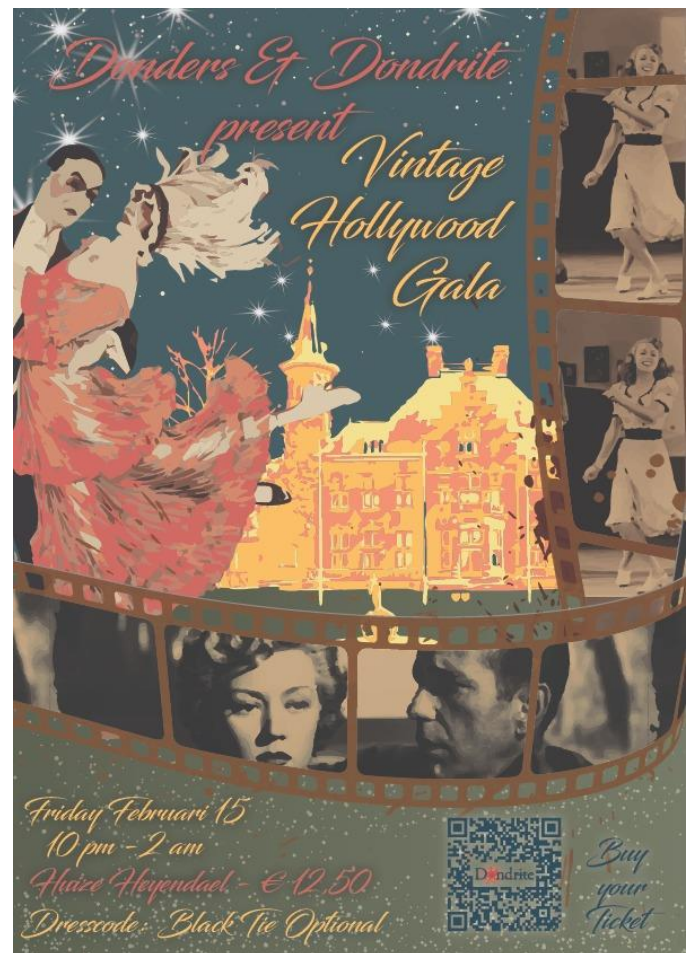
Tickets are available now for only €12,50 and can be purchased online here:

www.ticketkantoor.nl/shop/vintagehollywood

Buy them before they run out and be sure to invite your lab, your office mates, your old Donders friends and your fellow students! We hope to welcome you and your +1 with the most splendid decor: Radboud's very own Huize Heyendael!

We look forward to seeing all of you at the

movies!



Upcoming Dondrite & Donders Activities

Borrel:

Sadly, January was a month with no time for a

borrel at Café Maxim. But we all missed you very much and want to hear what you did during your winter break, so on 8 February we will have our first borrel of the new year. Not only is this a good way to cool down after your exams and catch up with your fellow Dondrites, it will also

be the first borrel with the new February starters! Make sure you're there and get to know these wonderful people!

Info: February 8, 20:00, Café Maxim

Upcoming Donders Events:	Date:
Formal DCC Lecture Bertrand Thirion [url]	Tuesday, February 5, 12:30-13:30
Connectomics: charting the networks of the brain [url]	Friday, February 8, 15:45
Donders Lecture by Yael Niv (Princeton University) [url]	Thursday, February 14, 16:00-17:00
Donders sessions: Neuroscience of decision [url]	Thursday, February 21, 10:00-12:00
DCCN Colloquium Steve Lindsay (Lecture) [url]	Thursday, February 21, 15:00-16:00
DCCN Colloquium Marco Tamietto (Tilburg University) (Lecture) [url]	Thursday, February 28, 13:45-14:45

For more information see: <http://www.ru.nl/donders/agenda-news/agenda/>

Synapsium Announcement!

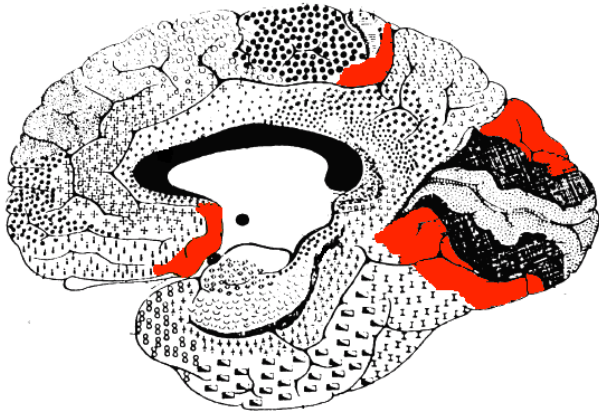
It's a new year, and a new Synapsium 🎉! But how long will you still have to wait for it? And who will be our awesome keynote speaker this

year? To pass the time until then, and give you a really good reason to procrastinate studying for your exams, the Synapsium committee has

prepared two riddles for you!

Let's activate those tired brain cells again!

Riddle #1 is a picture of the areas that are active in our brains when we think of the date of the synapsium.



Riddle #2 is a dataset that has been given to us by our French friend, who swears that there is

some information about the speaker hidden in there!

Both can be found here: <https://drive.google.com/open...>

If you find a solution, please tell us by writing an email to synapsiumdondrite@gmail.com until 11th February, and we might draw your name when raffling off prizes! 😊 Stay tuned!

Good luck!

The Synapsium Committee

Don't forget to follow us on social media for more exciting information:

www.synapsium.nl

Facebook:

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Twitter: @SynapsiumDONDRT

Shout-outs!

This month we only have a couple of shout-outs, so we'll dive right in.

We are giving a shout-out to all of the first-years of the CNS programme! It's been half a year already and you've been doing a tremendous job (so we've heard). Be proud of what you've accomplished already and show those exams who's boss!

A shout-out to all of the February 2017 starters that will soon graduate! Our sincerest congratulations! If you sign up to be an Dondrite alumnus via the website, you'll get cool alumnus benefits and be invited to some events. We will definitely miss your sweet faces, so please show yourself once in a while.

Fun Fact

Did you know that the month of January is actually named after the Latin word for door (ianua) - this stems from the idea of January being the door to the year and an opening to new

beginnings.

Isn't that a lovely way to think about the grand opening of 2019?

Yearbook Questionnaire

It's that time of the year again when we, the Scribe committee, want to know all your little secrets and share it with the world (...the CNS course). Fill out the questionnaire here to be a part of the 2019 CNS Yearbook!

There will be a small fee for the yearbook, with

a discount for Dondrite members. You are not obligated to buy a yearbook if you fill in this questionnaire.

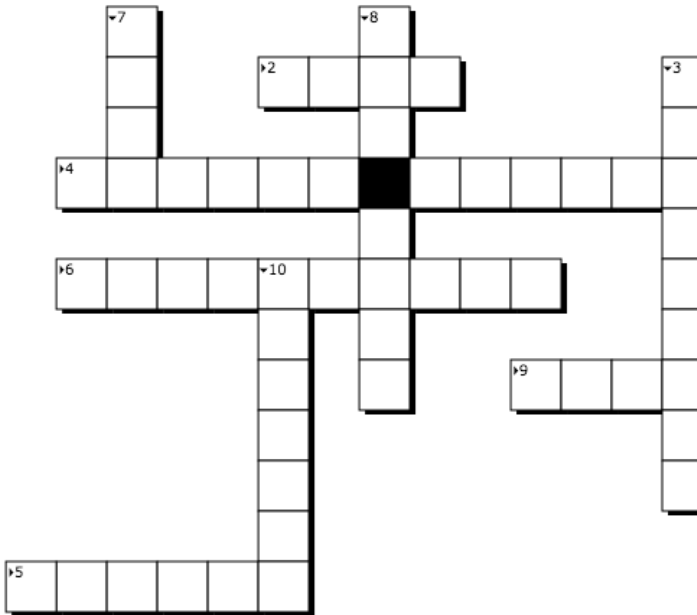
If you have any suggestions for further questions or comments, shoot us a message!

[Yearbook Questionnaire](#)

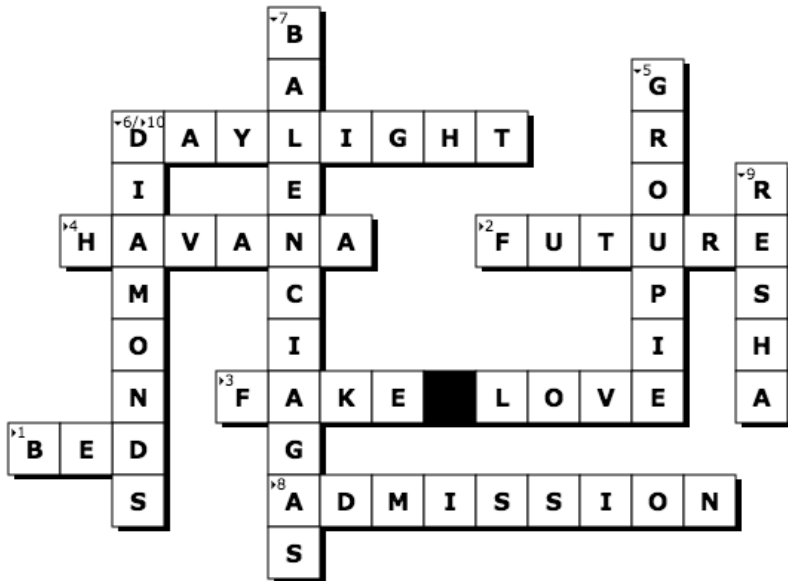
Crossword

Keeping with the gala theme, this month's crossword is a test of Old Hollywood Trivia. Explore some movie history, and perhaps be

inspired to add something new to your Netflix queue. Good Luck!



Solution



1. /I only love my _____ and my momma, I'm sorry/
2. /Be my girl, I'll be your man / I see my _____ in your eyes/
3. /'Cause I'm tired of the _____, show me what you're made of/
4. /ooh na-na (ay, ay) / Half of my heart is in _____/
5. /Dude, your girlfriend is a _____/
6. /My roof look like a no-show, got _____ by the boatload/
7. /I like those _____, the ones that look like socks/
8. /Looking at you, I can't lie / Just pouring out _____/
9. /_____, do you love me? Are you riding?/
10. /We spent the _____ tryna make things right between us/