

# English Speaking Club Zurich

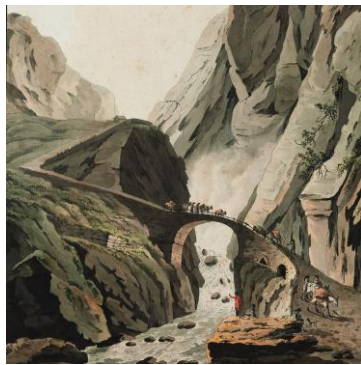
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Programme FEBRUARY - APRIL 2023

87<sup>th</sup> Edition

## Legends of the Alps at NATIONAL MUSEUM



*Tuesday, February 7, 2023*

Please register by February 1 latest

## Annual General Meeting 2023

*with Apéro*



*Tuesday, February 21, 2023*

# УКРАЇНА

SLIDE SHOW  
about

# UKRAINE



*Thursday, March 2, 2023*

## Emergency Care Station for BATS



*Thursday, April 13, 2023*

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## SUMMARY

### FEBRUARY

Tuesday, 7<sup>th</sup>           Legends of the Alps at Landesmuseum – *register by 1<sup>st</sup> February*  
 Tuesday, 21<sup>st</sup>       Annual General Meeting 2023 with apéro at the Werdguet

### MARCH

Thursday, 2<sup>nd</sup>       Slide Show Ukraine at the Werdguet  
 Wednesday, 8<sup>th</sup>    Pathways of Art at Rietberg Museum - *register by 5<sup>th</sup> March*  
 Tuesday, 14<sup>th</sup>     Blind Spots at Stadthaus - *register by 11<sup>th</sup> March*  
 Tuesday, 28<sup>th</sup>     Open House at the Werdguet

### APRIL

Tuesday, 4<sup>th</sup>       KEZO Hinwil- *register by 24<sup>th</sup> March*  
 Thursday, 13<sup>th</sup>    Emergency Care Station for Bats - *register by 6<sup>th</sup> April*  
 Tuesday, 25<sup>th</sup>     Open House at the Werdguet

<h3>INFORMATION TO ALL MEMBERS</h3>
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<p>Your registration for an event by phone is only valid when you leave (in a clear voice) your last and first name as well as the telephone number where you can be reached.          Ticket events are non refundable - No show policy will be applied</p>
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## A short note from the secretary

Dear Members,



Welcome to our Jubilee Year! Our Club can proudly celebrate 60 years of activities. This means, I will often go to the attic and watch out for old documents in the Club's archives. I cannot yet promise if I will find documents from the time of 1963, it's quite time intense to go through all this. But I am sure to find something interesting or funny from these good old times.

Of course, the Jubilee Year includes the *Jubilee Excursion*. We shall properly celebrate our 60<sup>th</sup> - what an age for a club run by volunteers!! - with a most rewarding outing to an indeed little known place not too far from here on

### → Saturday, July 1, 2023.

More details shall transpire in the coming weeks.

So, kindly mark - and block! that crucial day right away; thank you!.

And Yes, the AGM with its agenda, and every year it's the same, for most of you not a premium event...nevertheless, please leave your cosy well heated home for a couple of hours and show up on the evening of February 21. A really good reason to come this time...and don't forget; an apéro will be served.

Again, in this programme, you will find various events, this time not from A to Z, but at least from B to U, which means from Bats to Ukraine. The first is about a care centre for bats, the latter one has nothing to do with war and annexation but has colourful pictures of a very amazing country, recorded 10 years ago.

Warmest regards

Jürg

February 1            Register with Barbara for Legends of the Alps

February 7            **Legends of the Alps at Landesmuseum**

17.30 h

**Register**

What about the ominous legends of the Alps? This exhibition gives you an insight to the fact that in our regions, there are many interesting stories and legends which are most worthwhile to hear.

Thus, the English Speaking Club of Zurich would like to invite you to participate in a 1 hour English guided tour through the exciting and unique world of the legends in our mountains.

Please get your own ticket, the regular fee is CHF 8.00. Your contribution for the guided tour is CHF 10.-; guests pay CHF 20.- (Owner of the museum card - please bring it along).

To take part, please register with Barbara either by SMS to 079 582 19 48 or by e-mail to [merk.barbara@gmail.com](mailto:merk.barbara@gmail.com) by February 1, the Combox on the mobile phone CANNOT be used. The Landesmuseum Zürich is located just next to the main station Zürich. You reach it best via the underpassage Shop-Ville.

After the tour, if you fancy, we will have time to sit together in a nearby restaurant and in case you will come to the restaurant, please mention this when you register, leaving your full name and phone number (preferably your mobile phone number) as well if you are a guest or a member of the club.

February 21  
19.00 h

### **Annual General Meeting with apéro**

As previously, without any restrictions, we can start the AGM with an apéro before we go through the agenda. Please show up numerously – it does matter. We wanted to host the event one week earlier but the room wasn't available. How to get to the AGM, see frame below.

For various events like slide shows, lectures, the AGM or the so-called "Open House" events on the last Tuesday of the month, we meet as usual at the

**Restaurant Werdguet, Morgartenstrasse 30, 8004 Zurich.**

How to get there: The restaurant Werdguet can be difficult to find. Those coming for the first time are recommended to take tram 9 or 14 to Bahnhof Wiedikon. Cross the street so that you are on the opposite side to the Wiedikon station entrance. Then walk back down Birmensdorferstrasse towards Stauffacher until you see Morgartenstrasse on the right hand side. Walk down Morgartenstrasse and you will see the restaurant Werdguet on the left hand side at the first corner. [www.werdguet.ch](http://www.werdguet.ch)

March 2  
19.00 h  
**Thursday**

### **Ukraine from a touristic point of view – Slide Show**

Why not come for sightseeing with Marina tonight and admire the beauty of this unusual and largely unknown country Ukraine. She will show you slides of her trip to the cities of Kiev and Odessa in the year 2013, as well as of the peninsula of Crimea before it was annexed by Russia. Since Ukraine has rarely been on the best seller list for the average traveller, you might be surprised by the variety and beauty of sights this country had, and still has, to offer the curious and open-minded traveller.

The event takes approx. 1 hour and is free of charge for members, guests contribute with CHF 10.00. This event replaces our usual Open House event which was planned for February 28. ESCZ members don't need to register, non-members/guests can register with Jürg Meier (Committee member in charge of this event) on phone 079 580 10 81 or [info@escz.ch](mailto:info@escz.ch) until February 28. After the Slide Show, you are free to have a drink or a bite to eat. How to get there, see directions under February 21.

March 5

Register with Jürg for Pathways of Art

March 8  
18.30 h sharp  
**Register**  
**Wednesday**



**Pathways of Art at Museum Rietberg - How objects get to the Museum**

Since 1952, the Museum Rietberg has brought together unique art made by the world's very different cultures – but how did it get here? What routes did it take? What modifications in material and changes in meaning did it undergo on its travels? The exhibition Pathways of Art traces these routes and shows across some 20 stations who were involved in the trade and respective acquisitions and who owned the works before they entered the museum.

An important aspect concerns the mode in which works were presented, along with the issue of aestheticization and musealization. Central to this is the question of how an object comes to be seen as art. The exhibition additionally considers the different types of knowledge associated with a work of art: what type of understanding inscribes itself into a work, how is it transmitted, modified, and reconstructed?

Our tour guide will explain everything about pathways in English, for approx. 1 hour. Please get your own ticket for CHF 14.00 (= regular fee). Your contribution for the guided tour is CHF 10.00, guests pay CHF 20.- (Owner of the museum card - please bring it along).

Please register with Jürg no later than March 5, phone 079 580 10 81 or e-mail to [info@escz.ch](mailto:info@escz.ch) After the tour, for those who like, we will go to a nearby restaurant, therefore, it would be very helpful when you mention if you will join for dinner afterwards.

March 11

Register with Jürg for Blind Spots

March 14  
18.00 h **sharp**  
**Register**



## **Blind spots – Zurich and the colonialism at Stadthaus Zurich**

Colonialism hasn't been a topic for a long time. Today we know – there are blind spots. The exhibition "Blind Spots" wants to create a larger consciousness for the colonial interconnections. It also shows that colonialism has been present in town for a long while and is still effective nowadays. All Zurich people are concerned about this in some way. Colonialism changed the world strongly and generated much inequality. Zurich city and its economy took much advantage from this. The connections into the colonies contributed a lot to Zurich's advancement into an economy metropolis.

Tonight, we will have an English guided tour for approx. 1 hour with Mrs. Monique Ligtenberg about these blind spots which most of us don't even perceive. Contributions are CHF 10.00 for members and CHF 20.00 for guests.

How to get to the Stadthaus at Stadthausquai 17, 8001 Zurich: Either from Paradeplatz, walk towards Limmat until you reach Stadthausquai. Or you get off at Bürkliplatz and walk along the Limmat for approx. 350 meters. Please register no later than March 11, phone Jürg on 079 580 10 81 or e-mail all details to [info@escz.ch](mailto:info@escz.ch). After the tour, for those who like, we will go to a nearby restaurant, therefore it would be very helpful when you mention if you will join for dinner afterwards.

March 24

Register with Heinz for KEZO

March 28  
from 19.00 h

## **Open House at Restaurant Werdguet**

Come and enjoy some friendly conversation on the last Tuesday of the month at the Werdguet. On this regular event you have the chance to meet up with members and perhaps guests. This is Sonja's event. How to get there: see directions under February 21 (frame)



April 4,  
17.15 h **sharp(!)**  
at Info-Zentrum  
**Register**

## **KEZO, Kehrichtverwertung Zürcher Oberland (Hinwil)**

We will have an English guided tour through this waste incineration plant whose aim is to "make the best out of our waste". Each Swiss inhabitant creates about 700 kg of waste a year. Everything that is not separated, collected and recycled



will be finally burned in one of the 3 ovens. In an environmental-friendly process KEZO will even create energy (electricity and district heating) as a benefit! Come and join us for an interesting 2.5 hours with presentation, round trip and film, including a small drink at the end. The tour is free for members – guests pay CHF 10. How to get there: Take train S15 from ZH main station, leaving 16:39 to Wetzikon, arriving 17:00. Then walk to bus station and take bus no. 869 to Hinwil-Bossikon (2 stops), leaving 17:04 and arriving 17:06. (Please rush a little bit as we have only 4 minutes from train to bus. Heinz or Sibylle will wait for you at Wetzikon train station.) From Bossikon we walk ca. 10 minutes to the meeting point “KEZO Info Zentrum” (see also map), where the guide will await us. After the tour we walk together to the bus station Zürichstrasse to get the bus 869 back to Wetzikon. For car drivers there is enough parking space –  
 → Wildbachstr. 2, 8340 Hinwil. If you are fancy after the tour we will go to a restaurant nearby Wetzikon station.

### Important:

Smoking is not allowed during the tour in the whole area! Only closed solid shoes are allowed (no high heels, no flip flop, etc.) [KEZO Hausordnung Gruppen.pdf](#)  
 Register with Heinz until Friday, 24<sup>th</sup> March ([hvifian@bluewin.ch](mailto:hvifian@bluewin.ch), 044 780 19 45).



April 6

Register with Sonja for the Emergency Care Station for Bats

April 13  
17.40 h

**Register  
Thursday**

**Dr. med. vet. Katja Schönbächler and the bats**

30 species of bats live in Switzerland, 15 of them are endangered or even threatened with extinction. Few of nature's animals are as misunderstood as bats! On April 13<sup>th</sup> you will learn a lot about why bats are so essential, the threats they are

facing and why it's absolutely important to have in Switzerland the "Stiftung Fledermaus" with the emergency care unit.

The English guided tour given by Dr. med. vet.

Katja Schönbächler will last about 1 hour. Afterwards we can sit together in the nearby Restaurant Dieci. This event gets generously subsidised by the club **and donation**, members pay only CHF 10.00 and guests CHF 20.00.

Meet Sonja at 17.40 h at tram station Zoo (tram 6 and bus 40 bring you there). Then it's a walk of about 10 - 15 minutes.

Please register as early as possible with Sonja via [sonita@sunrise.ch](mailto:sonita@sunrise.ch) or by phone **044 302 45 47** (preferably in the evening).

April 25  
from 19.00 h

### Open House at the Werdguet Restaurant



In our "Stammbeiz" Restaurant Werdguet, there is of course a menu, and not only one, but a whole variety, from Swiss food over to Austrian dishes leading to pizza and ending with Kaiserschmarrn as dessert. Come along for good food or just a drink. In the restaurant, we always have our cosy corner for us. Guests and visitors are very welcome to this event.

How to get there: see directions under February 21 (frame)

For any questions contact Barbara by SMS on mobile

079 582 19 48 (answering machine is out of order) or by e-mail to [merk.barbara@gmail.com](mailto:merk.barbara@gmail.com)

## upcoming events:

May 23

Wonderful spring walk to the storks.



Open date

Ringier Image Archive\*\*

\*\*Sonja: „The Ringier Image Archive with more than 7 million photos has moved to Aarau. We could get a guided tour there ..... but we should at least be 12 persons! **Please let me know soon** (via [sonita@sunrise.ch](mailto:sonita@sunrise.ch) or by 044 302 45 47 in the evening) whether you are interested in this event or not. Thanks a lot. Sonja“