

Pro Helvetia New Delhi is happy to announce that Dr Eberhard Fischer, Swiss art-anthropologist and former Director Museum Rietberg Zurich, has been awarded the Padma Shri for Literature and Education. The Padma Shri, one of India's highest civilian awards, is awarded for distinguished service of high order in different fields and will be conferred by the President of India later this year.

We are also happy to announce that the Pro Helvetia – SKODA runners-up residencies will go to Jitish Kallat and LN Tallur. The SKODA Prize 2011 was awarded to Navin Thomas. Pro Helvetia has partnered with The Škoda Prize for the second year in a row. We share a common purpose, which is to support cutting-edge work demonstrating vision and innovation.

The Residencies being offered by Pro Helvetia – Swiss Arts Council have in the past, brought together artists from Switzerland and India to understand, to appreciate and to identify with each other's works. The application process for the year 2013 – 2014 will come to a close on 1 March. We urge artists and cultural practitioners in the areas of visual arts, music, literature, theatre and dance to apply. We look forward to receiving your applications.

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#### **SIGMASIX to participate at UNBOX and Baajaa Gaajaa**

Geneva based SIGMASIX, a company that experiments in the fields of visual creation, will conduct a workshop and perform at the UNBOX Festival in New Delhi and will collaborate with Dhamaal, featuring Indian percussionists, at the Baajaa Gaajaa 2012 Festival in Pune. [More](#)



#### **'Familientreffen' at the Fanatika Theatre Film Festival**

Pro Helvetia New Delhi in collaboration with Alliance Française d'Ahmedabad presents the Swiss documentary film Familientreffen (*Family Reunion*) at the 1st Fanatika Theatre Documentary Film Festival in Ahmedabad. [More](#)



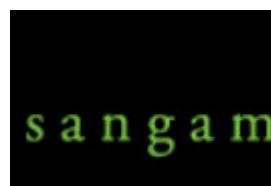
#### **LAYOUT - A location based collaborative construction**

Pro Helvetia New Delhi is delighted to be associated with the project LAYOUT, a location based collaborative construction and to present Swiss artist Navid Tschopp, who is currently on a residency in India. [More](#)



#### **Swiss writer Douna Loup at Sangam House**

Douna Loup will be in Bangalore at Sangam House which offers an international writer's residency that brings together writers from across the world. Douna's first novel L'embrasure (Mercure de France) received several literary prizes including the Prix Schiller découverte, Prix Thyde Monnier de la SGDL, Prix Michel-Dentan, Prix René Fallet and the Prix Léopold Léonard Senghor. [More](#)



#### **Residencies 2012 / 2013**

Are you considering applying for a residency awarded by Pro Helvetia – Swiss Arts Council? The call for research residencies 2012 and studio

...the Swiss Government. The call for research residencies 2012 and Swiss residencies 2013 has been made. Applications must be submitted by 1 March 2012 via [myprohelvetia](http://myprohelvetia.ch).



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