

The Head of the Swiss Federal Department of Home Affairs, Alain Berset visited the liaison office of Pro Helvetia in New Delhi early this October. Mr Berset met Swiss and Indian artists who presented their work that brought to light cultural collaboration between India and Switzerland. Federal Councillor Alain Berset commended the work done by Pro Helvetia in enabling these partnerships and exchanges.

The visit to the office was followed by Federal Councillor Alain Berset visiting Humayun's Tomb at the invitation of the Aga Khan Trust for Culture. He was received by Ratish Nanda, Projects Director India, Aga Khan Trust for Culture who shared information about the work done by the Trust in the restoration of the UNESCO World Heritage Site. The Trust has distinct mandates to develop the socio-economic conditions of the people in and around the monument focusing also on health and education.

Mr Berset and his delegation then called on Shri OP Jain, Founder Director of Sanskriti Foundation at Sanskriti Anandgram. Sanskriti Foundation is a valued partner of Pro Helvetia New Delhi as it hosts Swiss artists in their ateliers during their residency programmes.

Pro Helvetia New Delhi would like to thank all the individuals and partner organisations who extended themselves to participate in the presentations.

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Ruth Buck at Ahmedabad International Arts Festival

Ahmedabad International Arts Festival and Pro Helvetia New Delhi presents 'come back to earth' by Swiss artist Ruth Buck in collaboration with the Faculty of Arts & Humanities, Center for Environmental Planning and Technology University (CEPT). [More](#)



Lecture-Performance – 'Act Like You Mean It'

Swissnex India in collaboration with National Gallery for Modern Art, Bengaluru present 'Act Like You Mean It', a lecture-performance by Swiss researchers: Thomas Grunwald, a neurologist from the Swiss Epilepsy Centre in Zurich and Anton Rey, a dramaturg from the Zurich University of the Arts. [More](#)



Swiss Jazz quintet 'Pommelhorse' tours India

Embassy of Switzerland with the support of Pro Helvetia – Swiss Arts Council presents the Swiss Jazz quintet 'Pommelhorse' in New Delhi, Pune, Mumbai and Kolkata. The band comprises of Lukas Roos (Cl), Joel Graf (Sax), Gregor Lisser (Dr), Jeremiah Keller (eb) and Olivier Zurkirchen (Rhodes). [More](#)



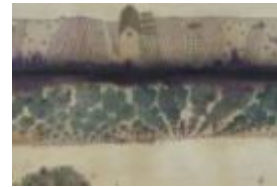
"Al Temp Al Passa" (The time that has passed)

A collection of songs offered by Marco Zappa for the Italian language week, XII Settimana della lingua italiana 2012. Presented by the Embassy of Switzerland in collaboration with the Istituto Italiano di Cultura, Delhi and Spicmacay Foundation, Jaipur Chapter. [More](#)



FICA Emerging Artist Award 2012

The Indian artist Gopin Varghese was awarded the Emerging Artist Award 2012 presented by the Foundation for Indian Contemporary Art in collaboration with Pro Helvetia - Swiss Arts Council. The recipient of the award will receive a ninety-day residency in Switzerland in 2013. [More](#)



The Skoda Prize longlist 2012

The SKODA Prize jury, which includes Mirjam Varadinis an art historian, curator and writer from Switzerland has announced The Skoda Prize longlist for 2012, which includes the top twenty shows that displayed the best combination of vision, innovation, and mature handling of material and form. [More](#)



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