

ENGLISH THEATRE IN LAUSANNE Thursday, March 19th

CLUBNIGHT - A PLAYREADING

"MOLLY SWEENEY", written by Brian Friel and directed by Pamela Jenkins

"Have you ever wondered what it might be like to be blind and then have your sight suddenly restored? Have you ever wondered how frightening this might be?"

"Molly Sweeney" is a beautifully written play about a young Irish woman who has been blind since infancy and undergoes an operation to restore her sight.

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CLUB MATTER

As announced previously, the post of President and Treasurer become vacant at the end of the current ICL year that ends on June 30.

Please let the Nominating Committee know who you wish to be elected.

The deadline for submitting proposals is March 5. Please, contact any of below:

Bernard Aeschlimann - 021 801 8935 Christa Baan - 021 807 2619 Gertrude Boehi - 021 803 3450 Claude Duboulet - 021 861 1131 Gabi Cruise - 022 345 6716

CLUB INFORMATION



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Paquita Aeschlimann - 021 801 89 35

Membership Information

Renewal Fees:

CHF 65.-- single / CHF 95.-- couple

New Members (incl. handling fee) CHF 85.-- single / CHF 115.-- couple

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Reminder:

non-members pay CHF 5.-- extra.

No-Shows: Events which require advanced reservations, will be invoiced.

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Lake Baikal is the largest (by volume) freshwater lake in the world, containing roughly 20% of the world's unfrozen surface fresh water and at 1,642 m the deepest. It is also among the clearest of all lakes, and thought to be the world's oldest lake at 25 million years. It is the seventh-largest lake in the world by surface area. It contains more water than that of all the Great Lakes combined.

Come and join Mr. Nicolas Pernot, who will give this interesting talk, it is also a UNESCO World Heritage Site. The talk will be followed by a Russian inspired aperitif!

Deadline: Wednesday, 4 March

Contact: Paquita: 021 801 89 35 or Hannelore: 021 801 7808

Price: CHF 30.—

(Includes Wine and Finger food)

Venue: La Longeraie, Morges



Brazilian Dinner & Music Thursday, 26 March 19h00

Brazilian cuisine has European, African and Amerindian influences. It varies greatly by region, reflecting the country's mix of native and immigrant populations. This has created a national cuisine marked by the preservation of regional differences. Ingredients first used by native peoples in Brazil include cassava, guaraná, açaí, cumaru and tacacá.

Experience this diverse cuisine, three different kinds of meat skewers, black beans, fried bananas, rice...Vegetarian meals are also available, accompanied by Brazilian Music!

Deadline: Tuesday, 24 March

<u>Contact</u>: Paquita: 021 801 89 35 or Hannelore: 021 801 7808

Price: CHF 38. or CHF39. (Vegetarian)

(Drinks not included)

<u>Venue</u>: Beef Grill Restaurant Rue Caudray 2, 1020 Renens

APRIL EVENTS

- 2 Exhibits in Morges
 Yul Bryner and Peter Ustinov
- Lecture and Apéro

THINGS TO DO IN MARCH



Mathias Schmied Critical Mass 22.01.15 - 15.03.15

The artist Mathias Schmied is fascinated by paper. He wields the scalpel with address and lightness for sculpting the vacuum and conferring a lace-like aspect to the material. His visual universe is inspired by pop culture, Comics and cartoons.

Musée d'art de Pully

De Raphaël à Gauguin. Trésors de la collection Jean Bonna 06.02.15 - 25.05.15

The Fondation de l'Hermitage reveals Geneva-based collector Jean Bonna's favourite works through a selection of nearly 150 prestigious drawings, from the Renaissance to the early twentieth century.

Fondation de l'Hermitage

RECENT EVENTS



Committee at work



New Year Brunch 2015



Valentine Fondue



Happy Faces

DIGITAL DARK AGE

Vint Cerf, a "father of the internet", says he is worried that all the images and documents we have been saving on computers will eventually be lost.

Currently a Google vice-president, he believes this could occur as hardware and software become obsolete. He fears that future generations will have little or no record of the 21st Century as we enter what he describes as a "Digital Dark Age".

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Vint Cerf: Web pioneer and Google VP This iconic figure, who helped define how data packets move around the net, is possibly the only Google employee who wears a tie.

I felt obliged to thank him for the internet, and he bowed graciously. "One is glad to be of service," he said humbly.

His focus now is to resolve a new problem that threatens to eradicate our history. Our life, our memories, our most cherished family photographs increasingly exist as bits of information - on our hard drives or in "the cloud". But as technology moves on, they risk being lost in the wake of an accelerating digital revolution.

I worry a great deal about that," Mr Cerf told me. "You and I are experiencing things like this. Old formats of documents that we've created or presentations may not be readable by the latest version of the software because backwards compatibility is not always guaranteed.

"And so what can happen over time is that even if we accumulate vast archives of digital content, we may not actually know what it is.

CULTURAL CORNER



Lake Baïkal is a rift lake in the south of the Russian region of Siberia, between the Irkutsk Oblast to the northwest and the Buryat Republic to the southeast.

Baikal's age is estimated at 25 -30 million years, making it one of the most ancient lakes in geological history. It is unique among large, high-latitude lakes, in that its sediments have not been scoured by overriding continental ice sheets.

U.S. and Russian studies of core sediment in the 1990s provide a detailed record of climatic variation over the past 250,000 years. Longer and deeper sediment cores are expected in the near future. Lake Baikal is the only confined freshwater lake in which direct and indirect evidence of gas hydrates exists.

(Below: Olkhon Island, on Lake Baïkal)



Unfortunately, the lake is under threat by pollution, poaching and development.