



## NEWSLETTER OF ASSOCIATION SUISSE TURQUIE

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After a summer which was, in general, quite cool with heavy rains across Switzerland, we are in Autumn. Yet the leaves that are usually yellow, brown and red around this time are still green and the parks and hills still look lush. So in this edition, we thought we would give you some ideas on a lovely way to keep warm while enjoying the greenery up in the mountains, namely with Switzerland's thermal baths.

The Association of Thermal Baths in Switzerland gives the official appellation "thermal baths" only when the water at source is warmer than 20C. Sulfuric, rich in mineral salts and micro-nutrients, the waters also have therapeutic attributes recognized by the Federal Public Health Authority (OFSP).

Switzerland is considered a haven for thermal baths. For centuries, it was Baden which was most widely known as the most prestigious and famous centre of thermal baths in Switzerland. Baden was the place where business, health and pleasure all mingled together, and where diplomatic treaties (like the one ending the Spanish War of Succession was signed). Slowly, other thermal baths in Switzerland gained prominence as well, particularly the ones boasting alpine views up in the mountains, where the concepts of well being through waters and sports or exercise also started to merge.

In the Swiss-Romandie there are six official "thermal baths": les Bains d'Ovronnaz, les Bains de Saillon, Thermal centre of Yverdon-les-Bains, les Bains de Lavey, les Bains de Val d'Illiez (indefinitely closed, unfortunately) and le Bain-Bleu in Geneva. Also, Valais' German speaking town of Leukerbad (Loèche-les-Bains) has Europe's largest thermal complex. Each has waters with its own characteristics and minerals.

For instance, the Lavey springs reach 62°C and are the hottest waters in Switzerland. In the pre-Covid times, Lavey was receiving 420'000 visitors per year. Its water is reputed to have properties for treating rheumatic and dermatological afflictions and the musculoskeletal system. Les Bains d'Ovronnaz, still warm at 36°, are high in sulphate and calcium, and are renowned for their benefits to musculoskeletal

and cardiovascular systems. Its waters' beneficial, relaxing and curative virtues can be enjoyed in front of a resplendent backdrop of Alpine peaks.

We hope you will have a lovely autumn. We also wish our Turkish members a Happy Republic day and all the children a fun "Vacances de Patates".

Editors

Please keep us posted on events and news that you would like to share at [editorsassosuisseturquie@gmail.com](mailto:editorsassosuisseturquie@gmail.com)

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## **OCTOBER AND NOVEMBER EVENTS**

### **Future Association Events**

Annual Republic Day Ball - October 9, 2021

Lausanne

Due to Covid restrictions RSVP [assosuisseturquie@gmail.com](mailto:assosuisseturquie@gmail.com)

For future Association events : [www.assoctr.ch](http://www.assoctr.ch)

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## **OTHER EVENTS**

An animation movie by Sandra Albukrek and Julia Dasic in the Background of Martha Argerich's Concert – 26 November at 7pm

Victoria Hall

Founder and Director of the Atelier des Lutins since 2001, Sandra Albukrek is a multi-faceted visual artist born in Turkey and living in Geneva. She takes great pleasure and finds inspiration in the creative world of children, hence the foundation of Elves' workshop. The concert accompanied by L'Orchestre de Chambre de Genève will include Mozart's Symphony no 36 and Saint-Saëns' Carnival of Animals. For more information on Albukrek <http://www.latelierdeslutins.com/en/sandra-albukrek>  
For tickets to the concert Billetterie de Grütli.

Swiss Cheese Festivals – Several in October

On October 9 in Thun from 8am to 5pm

On October 16 in Lucerne from 9am to 5pm

On October 23 in Montreux from 9am to 5pm

Swiss Alpine Cheese Competition takes place in St.Gallen from October 7 to 17.

For more details <https://www.schweizeralpkäese.ch/fr/calendrier/>

Contemporary Istanbul - October 5, 2021 – October 10, 2021

Launching the city's autumn art season, Turkey's leading art fair Contemporary Istanbul will open the first international art event since the city went into lockdown. The fair presents its 16th edition in the Tersane Istanbul. The contemporary art in juxtaposition with the historic Halic Shipyard and the Golden Horn district will show off one of Istanbul's most important heritage sites and pay homage to Istanbul culture ancient and modern.

Visit [the site](#) for details on what exhibitions will be shown this year.

IKSV 25th Theatre Festival - October 22, 2021 – November 20, 2021

*Theatre in These Times*, is the theme of the IKS's 25th theatre festival, breathing life into both the theatre world and into theatre lovers with many new productions, including some in search of a new normal. A part of these 25 productions, (14 local and 11 International) will be available in Turkey online and others can be viewed in many Istanbul theatres under Covid-19 restrictions, namely Alan Kadıköy, Atlas 1948 Cinema, Profilo Cultural Center West Main Stage, Duru Ataşehir, Moda Stage, Caddebostan Cultural Center, Museum Gazhane, Yapı Kredi bomontiada and Zorlu PSM. Online screenings can be watched at [passostudio.com](http://passostudio.com) throughout the festival.

Click [here](#) for the programme and ticket sales starting September 24th at 10:30am

27<sup>th</sup> Geneva International Film Festival - November 5-11

Maison des Arts du Grütli, Geneva

Founded in 1995, the Geneva International Film Festival (GIFF) is Geneva's oldest film festival and one of the first in the world to include television in its programs. A crossroads of genres and disciplines, a place

to experiment, meet people and party, it features every year, for ten days, films, series, interactive installations and virtual reality works attended by some 40,000 festivalgoers. The largest venue in Switzerland dedicated to immersive arts, GIFF has become a major European event in this field. For more details and program: <https://www.giff.ch/en/>

Concert "Eternelle Istanbul" – February 11, 2022 at 9pm  
Théâtre de Carouge

Three masters of Turkish music together with Geneva Camerata will make us discover rhythms and musical traditions of Istanbul. For more information and tickets:  
<http://www.genevacamerata.com/fr/concerts/concert-sauvage/eternelle-istanbul>

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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

New website

Please note: to improve the security of our website, we have changed our web address to [www.assoctr.ch](http://www.assoctr.ch)

"Lausanne Bizim Lozan"

The much-praised book published by our Association is available for purchase at:

Bookstore Letu in Geneva

Online on our website [www.assoctr.ch](http://www.assoctr.ch)

And also

on <https://www.abebooks.com/servlet/BookDetailsPL?bi=22298731039&searchurl=sortBy%3D0%26vci%3D601833>

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## **ARTS UPDATE sponsored by Cornucopia Magazine**

### **EXHIBITION**

Zamandan Kalan  
Until October 12, 2021  
Tomtom Mahallesi. Nur-u Ziya Sokak. No:27 Beyoğlu  
<http://www.cornucopia.net/events/zamandan-kalan/>

The Single Records | Aegean Memories JOCHEN PROEHL  
Until October 16, 2021  
4-8.30 PM  
C.A.M. Gallery, Çukurcuma Caddesi, No: 38/A, Beyoğlu - İstanbul  
<http://www.cornucopia.net/events/45likler-ege-anlar/>

Archipelago by Ana Čvorović  
Ballon Rouge & Pi Artworks  
Until October 23, 2021  
Place du Jardin aux Fleurs, 2, Brussels  
<http://www.cornucopia.net/events/archipelago-by-ana-chvorovi/>

Motif  
Design motifs from the Sadberk Hanım Museum  
Until October 31, 2021  
Sadberk Hanım Museum  
Büyükdere Piyasa Cad 27–29, Büyükdere, Sarıyer, İstanbul  
The Sadberk Hanım Museum turned 40 this year and celebrates with an eye-watering exploration of design motifs reflected across its astonishing collections.  
<http://www.cornucopia.net/events/motif/>

Architecture as Measure  
Until November 21, 2021  
10 am - 6 pm  
Arsenale, Arsenale, Venice - Italy

Curated by Neyran Turan, Assistant Professor at the University of California-Berkeley and partner at the San Francisco design practice NEMESTUDIO, *Architecture as Measure* is the Pavilion of Turkey's chosen exhibition for the next Venice Architecture Biennale 2021.

<http://www.cornucopia.net/events/architecture-as-measure/>

Past Present Istanbul

Sakip Sabanci Museum SSM

Until November 28, 2021

Reservations are available online through the website in 2 hour slots.

<http://www.cornucopia.net/events/past-present-istanbul/>

Archival Memories: Marcell Restle's Research in Anatolia and Beyond

Until November 29, 2021

ANAMED Research Center for Anatolian Civilizations

İstiklal Caddesi No. 181, Merkez Han, Beyoğlu, İstanbul

<http://www.cornucopia.net/events/archival-memories/>

From Reformation [Tanzimat] to Republic

Master Artists, Artist Students

Until November 30, 2021

The museum is currently open Tues–Saturday, 10–18.

Please check [here](#) for updates during the pandemic.

[Sakıp Sabancı Museum](#), Sakıp Sabancı Cad 42, Emirgan 34467 İstanbul

<http://www.cornucopia.net/events/from-tanzimat-to-republic/>

Osman Hamdi Bey: Beyond Vision

June 16, 2020 – November 30, 2021

10 am - 6 pm, closed on Mondays

[Sakıp Sabancı Museum](#), Sakıp Sabancı Cad 42, Emirgan 34467 İstanbul

<http://www.cornucopia.net/events/osman-hamdi-bey-beyond-vision/>

## **AUCTION**

Sotheby's Arts of the Islamic World and India, including Fine Rugs and Carpets, Autumn 2021

October 27, 2021 Wednesday, 13:00 BST

[Sotheby's New Bond Street](#), 34-35 New Bond Street, London W1A 2AA, UK

<http://www.cornucopia.net/events/sothebys-arts-of-the-islamic-world-and-india-including-fine-rugs-and-carpet/>

Christies: Arts of the Islamic and Indian Worlds including Oriental Rugs and Carpets, Autumn 2021

October 28, 2021 11:00 BST

[Christie's King Street](#), 8 King Street, St. James's, London SW1Y 6QT, UK

## **SAVE THE DATE**

The 18th New York Turkish Film Festival

December 9, 2021 – December 12, 2021

SVA Theatre

<http://www.cornucopia.net/events/the-18th-new-york-turkish-film-festival/>

## **RICH PICKINGS FROM THE CORNUCOPIA BOOKSHOP**

For the complete selection: <https://www.cornucopia.net/store/books>

James Mellaart: Journey to Çatalhöyük,

A tribute to one of the great archaeologists of the 20<sup>th</sup> century by his son and friends. <https://www.cornucopia.net/store/books/james-mellaart-the-journey-to-catalhoyuk/>

Enlightening Europe on Islam and the Ottomans: Mouradgea and His Masterpiece

Carter Vaughn Findley's fascinating insight into life and politics at the Sublime Porte, introduced by Philip Mansel in Cornucopia 62.

<https://www.cornucopia.net/store/books/enlightening-europe-on-islam-and-the-ottomans/>

Whisper Across Continents, by Gareth Winrow

Reviewed by the much-lamented David Barchard in this Cornucopia. <https://www.cornucopia.net/store/books/whispers-across-continents/>

The Land of the Anka Bird: A Journey through the Turkic heartlands

Photographs by Ergun Çağatay, introduced by Caroline Eden

Cornucopia's latest book is packed also with details about the wider Turkic world <https://www.cornucopia.net/store/books/the-land-of-the-anka-bird/>

Red Sands

Congratulations to Caroline Eden on winning the prestigious André Simon Food Award 2020 for this beautiful book

<https://www.cornucopia.net/store/books/red-sands/>

Henrietta Liston's Travels: The Turkish Journals 1812–1820, ed. Patrick Hart, Valerie Kennedy, Dora Petheridge.

<https://www.cornucopia.net/store/books/henrietta-listons-travels/>

Blue Guide: Mediterranean Turkey: From Muğla to Antakya, by Paola Pugsley <https://www.cornucopia.net/store/books/blue-guide-mediterranean-turkey/>

Vol 2 of Impressions of Istanbul: Voyage to Constantinople,

A magnificent compendium of selected titles in the Ömer Koç Collection, covering the years 1821–50 <https://www.cornucopia.net/store/books/impressions-of-istanbul-voyage-to-constantinople-vol-2/> And a few suggestions for Cornucopia gifts...

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