

SUPPORTING PROGRAMMES IN THE NATIONAL MUSEUM IN ZÜRICH

A series of events organised jointly by the Swiss National Museum and the National Research Programme »Childhood, youth and the relations between the generations« (NFP52) of the Swiss National Fund, supported by the Mercator Schweiz Foundation.

Sunday, 8th June 2008

11 am, 1.30 and 3 pm

What is the glue that holds the generations together in a family?

A scientific mini-experiment for children, parents and grandparents. We shall talk about the expectations that exist in our family: how would you describe your parents? What do parents want from their children, what do grandparents want from their grandchildren and the grandchildren's parents, their own children? In this workshop for the whole family we shall carry out a harmless experiment. Led by François Höpf-linger, Professor of Sociology at Zurich University.

Admission free.

Sunday 15th June 2008

2 – 4.30 pm

How to write a bedtime story

We all know bedtime stories. Parents often tell their children the same stories at bedtime as they heard from their own parents. Marianne Kramer Abebe of Berne University will give a talk explaining the value to the family of rituals and bedtime stories. In a writers' workshop led by the authors Svenja Herrmann (Schreibstrom.ch), Markus Bundi and Andreas Neeser, children and adults will learn to make up their own stories.

Admission free, booking at

mariella.frei@slm.admin.ch

Saturday, 28th June 2008

10 am – 4 pm

The family in my future: what will it be like, how will it live?

In a workshop for the future, children between 7 and 14 will be able to write down, draw, discuss with each other and develop their wishes and fantasies about the family of the future. The results will be submitted to politicians in Zurich. Expert guidance will be provided by Mega!phon, the City of Zurich's department for child and youth activity.

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Thursday, 3rd July 2008

7 – 8.30 pm

Protection, support and participation – the rights of children in the family, and what happens when children break the law

Hansueli Gürber, senior youth attorney for the Canton of Zurich, and Heidi Simoni Ph.D, director of the Marie Meierhofer Institute for the Child (Zurich) will speak and discuss questions concerning the rights of children within the family, and how the family should deal with children and young people who commit crimes. The lecture and discussion evening will be chaired by Dominik Büchel, delegate of NFP52.

Admission free



Thursday, 28th August 2008

7 – 8.30 pm

Will there be families 50 years from now? – Trend research on the concept and future of the family

Georges T. Roos, owner of the ROOS Office for Cultural Innovation, and Director of the European Futurists Conference, Lucerne, will talk about changes in society and show us the family of tomorrow.

Admission free

Thursday, 4th September 2008

7 – 8.30 pm

Does a family fit into a book? Reading and discussion with Susanna Schwager

The authoress Susanna Schwager has told in her books »Fleisch und Blut« (Flesh and blood) and »Die Frau des Metzgers« (The butcher's wife) the story of her grandparents. For her latest book »Das volle Leben« (The full life) she visited twelve women who describe their lives. Among them are the actresses Anne-Marie Blanc and Stephanie Glaser, the artist Hanny Fries, the gipsy Urselina Gemperle, the politician Emilie Lieberherr and the mountain farmer Maria Loretz.

Admission free

Thursday, 11th September 2008

7 – 8.30 pm

Does a family fit in a book? Reading and discussion with Charles Lewinsky

For more than twenty years Charles Lewinsky has been a free-lance writer; he has written many radio plays, television series, film scripts, song texts for composers, novels, plays and musicals. He became interested in the subject of the exhibition in the mid-1990's as author of the TV sitcom »Fascht e Familie« (Almost a family). In his successful novel »Melnitz« Lewinsky recounts the history of a Jewish family through several generations from 1871 to 1945.

Admission free

MUSIC IN THE MUSEUM: ALL IN THE FAMILY!

Family groups of all styles remind us that making music in the family was the start of many a musician's career, and in country districts contributed largely to the preservation of the folk music tradition. Presented by Hans Peter Treichler, Music Curator in the Swiss National Museum.

Admission at the same price as for the exhibition (CHF 10.- | 8.-), number of seats limited.

Sunday, 1st June 2008

4 pm

From 7 to 77

In various formations the Schmid family of Adliswil performs as Schürmüli-Musig or as Musica Tigurina. Three generations of Schmid's – grandfather, son, daughter and grandchildren – with a whole variety of instruments will lead us from the Renaissance to the present.



Sunday, 6th July 2008

4 pm

Folk music from all over the world

The Halter family orchestra from Oberburg (Canton Berne) will invite us to go on a musical cruise. Mother Beatrice, the four daughters Silvia, Luzia, Rebekka and Brigitta and son Beat will be joined by Beat Schweizer on the alphorn.

Sunday, 3rd August 2008

4 pm

Sonic Calligraphy

In a fascinating way the musicians Peggy Chew, a Chinese-American jazz singer, and her partner, Adrian Frey, a Swiss pianist, will bring their different backgrounds together. Together with the percussionist Willy Kotoun they will create a kaleidoscope out of improvisations on Chinese folk songs, jazz compositions and original songs.

Sunday, 7th September 2008

4 pm

Lyrical folk music

The repertoire of the Beglinger ensemble combines elements of international folk music, classical music and jazz. Founded by the husband and wife team Antonia Christen (violin) and Jakob Beglinger (guitar) in 1998, it has expanded to a quintet with Sabine Czerner (flute), René Kappeler (bass) and Markus Tinner (clarinet).

VISIT THE INTERNATIONAL DAY OF THE MUSEUM WITH THE FAMILY

Sunday, 18th May 2008

The International Day of the Museum offers you and your family an attractive programme. Admission free, no booking required, please report to the Welcome Desk

10 am – 5 pm

This is our family heirloom

Every family has heirlooms that are important for the whole family because of their history. Bring your family and a selected heirloom to the museum. We shall be pleased to include the history and a photo of the heirloom in the exhibition.

10 – 11 am

A visit to the Firestone family - a tour in the permanent exhibition

A guided tour for all the family

3 – 4 pm

A day in the life of a Roman family – a tour in the permanent exhibition

A guided tour for all the family



2 – 3 pm and 3.30 – 4.30 pm

How we see the exhibition! – Grandmother and grandchild will lead a joint guided tour through the exhibition »The family - the constant is change«

A guided tour for all the family

11 am, 1 pm and 3 pm

What does my family coat of arms look like?

In a one-hour workshop children will create their own family coat of arms. During this time questions about the origin of coats of arms will be discussed: do all Millers have a millwheel in their coat of arms? And what do children create for names that are not so clear? By the end of the workshop each child will have shown a draft of the coat of arms it has designed.

For children from 7 to 14; limited number of places.

MUSEUM NIGHT

Saturday, 6th September 2008

7 pm – 2 am

Once again this year the Swiss National Museum has a rich choice to offer in the »long night of the museums«

Further information at www.langenacht.ch

