



Microsculpture

Until October 29

The work of British photographer Levon Biss literally sheds new light on the entomological collection of the Museum of Natural History in Oxford, U.K. In large, high-resolution photos, Biss uncovers the unexpected and often breathtaking beauty of insects and their complex adaptations—known to entomologists as microsculpture. Each of Biss' "microsculptures" consists of about 8,000 individual photos that are superimposed to produce images of unparalleled sharpness and detail. Not even a look through a microscope can yield an image of such clarity of the entire animal. In a new exhibit at the Naturhistorisches Museum Basel, the up to 3 m wide photographs will be placed next to tiny insects from the museum's own collection. The differences in scale will make for a unique viewing experience and highlight the diversity of evolutionary adaptations among insects.

www.nmbs.ch



Gässli Film Festival

Until September 3

The Gässli Film Festival, so named because of its location in Gerbergässlein, is a nonprofit event organized for young filmmakers in the Basel region. The aim is to inspire young people to make films and to give the film talents of tomorrow an opportunity to present their works to a wider audience. To this end, festival organizers invite an internationally renowned filmmaker to Basel to show their debut film and give the young people tips, tricks, and inspiration for their future careers in filmmaking. There will be monetary and other prizes awarded to the best film of the festival, the best of Switzerland, the best music video, as well as a social-media audience prize and a youth prize. To learn more about the project, their success stories, how to participate, how to get there, or to just attend, visit their website.

www.baselfilmfestival.ch

Treibstoff Theaterstage Basel

Until September 9

Treibstoff (Fuel) is a production festival that gives young, aspiring theater professionals the "fuel" to take off and hopefully launch their careers. Professional, nonestablished theater artists from Switzerland, Germany, and Austria were invited to submit a project idea in the form of a written concept; from these, a jury selected the most compelling projects. Treibstoff then provided the selected artists or groups with financial backing as well as production support in the areas of infrastructure, technology, and dramaturgy. The results of these projects will be performed to a broader audience, including theater professionals, at one of several venues around town, such as Kaserne Basel, Roxy Birsfelden, Clara Huus, Schauspielhaus (Theater Basel), and the Junges

Theater Basel. This year's seven winning productions include "Future is Now," "Superquadra," "Doc," "A Night Called Layla," "Wald," "Medusa Bionic Rise," and "Report from the Interior." Visit their website for a complete program or to buy tickets. Tickets for all productions are CHF 15, irrespective of location and production.

www.treibstoffbasel.ch

Picnic Season at Basel's Museum für Wohnkultur

Until September 30

The Museum für Wohnkultur, a division of Basel's historical museum, includes a spectacular garden in the center of Basel. Until the end of September, you can combine a visit to the museum with a fuss-free picnic in this secluded oasis in the city center with a "Picknick über Mittag." From Tuesday to Friday, you can order a picnic basket by going online and clicking on your choice of soup, sandwich, salad, desert, and/or drinks, which is lovingly prepared by their partner, so'up, delivered, and waiting for you to enjoy in the gardens of the museum, either before or after your visit to their current exhibit, "Magnet Basel—Granted, Tolerated, Rejected." This exhibit, which presents a fascinating panorama of immigration in the Basel area and a captivating look at the people's everyday lives, is of particular interest to Basel's foreign population.

www.hmb.ch/museum-wohnkultur.html

Sun, Moon, and Stars

Until January 20, 2019

Even though distant, the sun, moon, and stars are an integral part of our human world. Cultures across the globe confer meaning and significance on these heavenly bodies, for example, in the shape of sun and