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Dear Friends of Switzerland,

We hope you are safe and well. This month is all about film! We kick-started the hybrid format of our Swiss Film Club in Washington, DC, with a screening of this month's selection, Azor, directed by Andreas Fontana. If you missed the in-person screening, don't worry... read below for information about another opportunity to watch the film! In other exciting film news: the Swiss submission for next year's Academy Awards has been announced and we can't wait to see it for ourselves. Lastly, we have included an easy Swiss pasta recipe that will make all of your friends wonder when you became a chef...

Please continue to check our website, social media channels, and events calendar, where we are providing regular updates, for more cultural content. Have you found something we're missing? What would you like to see more of? Let us know—we would love to hear from you.

We hope you continue to enjoy, stay safe, & stay healthy!



Source: Embassy of Switzerland

Swiss Film Club: Azor

Available for streaming August 20-29, 2022

This past Wednesday, we celebrated the first in-person edition of our Swiss Film Club with a screening of Azor at The LINE in Washington, DC. We were joined for a discussion by the film's director, Andreas Fontana, who gave us his insights and thoughts about the film. The evening was a great success and we look forward to continuing our film journey in this new hybrid format. If you didn't get the chance to join us in person, don't worry! The film will be available to stream in a virtual format next week, and you'll also have the chance to watch the recorded discussion with the director.

Sign up for the virtual screening here!

Film

A Piece Of Sky: Switzerland's Oscar Submission



Source: Swiss Films

A Piece of Sky, by Swiss director Michael Koch, is Switzerland's submission to in the International Feature Film category at the 95th Academy Awards. The film premiered at this year's Berlinale Film Festival, with its Swiss premiere at the Locarno Film Festival, and a cinematic release in Switzerland on September 1. The film tells an exceptional love story set in a remote mountain village in the Swiss Alps, between Anna, who grew up in the village, and Marco, an outsider hired as a farmhand. As their relationship is put to the test, age-old tensions in the community erupt.

Learn more here!



Source: Helvetic Kitchen

Cuisine

Cinque Pi

(Adapted from Helvetic Kitchen)

Seemingly Italian, but Swiss at heart, cinque pi is a delicious pasta recipe using the five Italian P's—panna (cream), pomodoro (tomatoes), parmigiano (parmesan), prezzemolo (parsley), and pepe (pepper)—to create the most delicious and creamy pasta dish. The recipe is not only delicious but also very quick: the preparation should not take no longer than 20-30 min.

What you need:

- 5 Cups Pasta, cooked
1 3/4 Cups Cream
3 Oz Tomato paste (around 5 tbsp)
1/4 Cup Parmesan cheese, finely grated
Nutmeg, salt and pepper
Bunch of parsley, chopped finely, plus a couple of leaves for garnishing

Directions:

- 1. Cook the pasta according to the package instructions.
2. Meanwhile, in a large pot, bring the cream carefully to a boil, then reduce the heat to low, and whisk in the tomato puree. Cook for about 5-10 minutes, or until the cream thickens.
3. Whisk the cheese and seasonings into the cream sauce.
4. Add the sauce to the cooked, drained pasta and stir to coat, garnishing with parsley.

Enjoy!

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