

SWISS CULTURE FROM HOME



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Dear Friends of Switzerland,

The month of May is packed with fun Swiss activities in Washington, DC. So, let's dig right in. If you're wanting to spend time outside in the warmer weather, you can swap your car for a bike and participate in this year's Bike to Work Day, or join us for Swiss Night at Audi Field to watch a Swiss soccer star and his team take on DC United. Alternately, you can attend the Smithsonian Craft Show and see *Scherenschnitte*, or paper cuttings, created by a Swiss-born artist. Last but not least, don't miss this edition's seasonal *Swiss Rendez-Vous* at the National Cathedral's International Flower Display.

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, and take care!

Join us!



Source:[BZ](#)

Bike to Work Day with the Swiss Embassy

May 17, 2024

7–9 AM at the Georgetown Waterfront, K St & Wisconsin Ave NW, Washington, DC

4–6 PM at the Embassy of Switzerland, 2920 Cathedral Ave NW, Washington, DC

Free Admission – Registration encouraged, but not required

How do you commute? Ever considered swapping a car for a bike to get to work? Now is the time! Friday, May 17 is Bike to Work Day in Washington, DC and the Embassy of Switzerland is participating! Visit us on your way to work: we'll be present at the [Georgetown Waterfront pitstop](#). After work, you can join us on the Embassy grounds for a chance to try out e-bikes from the Swiss company Stomer, enjoy some healthy snacks, try your hand at trivia, and learn about Swiss cycling culture and the sustainable and healthy benefits of choosing a bike for your daily commute. Registration is encouraged, but not required. For the afternoon event at the Embassy, you can register [here](#).

Sports



Source: [Chicago Tribune](#)

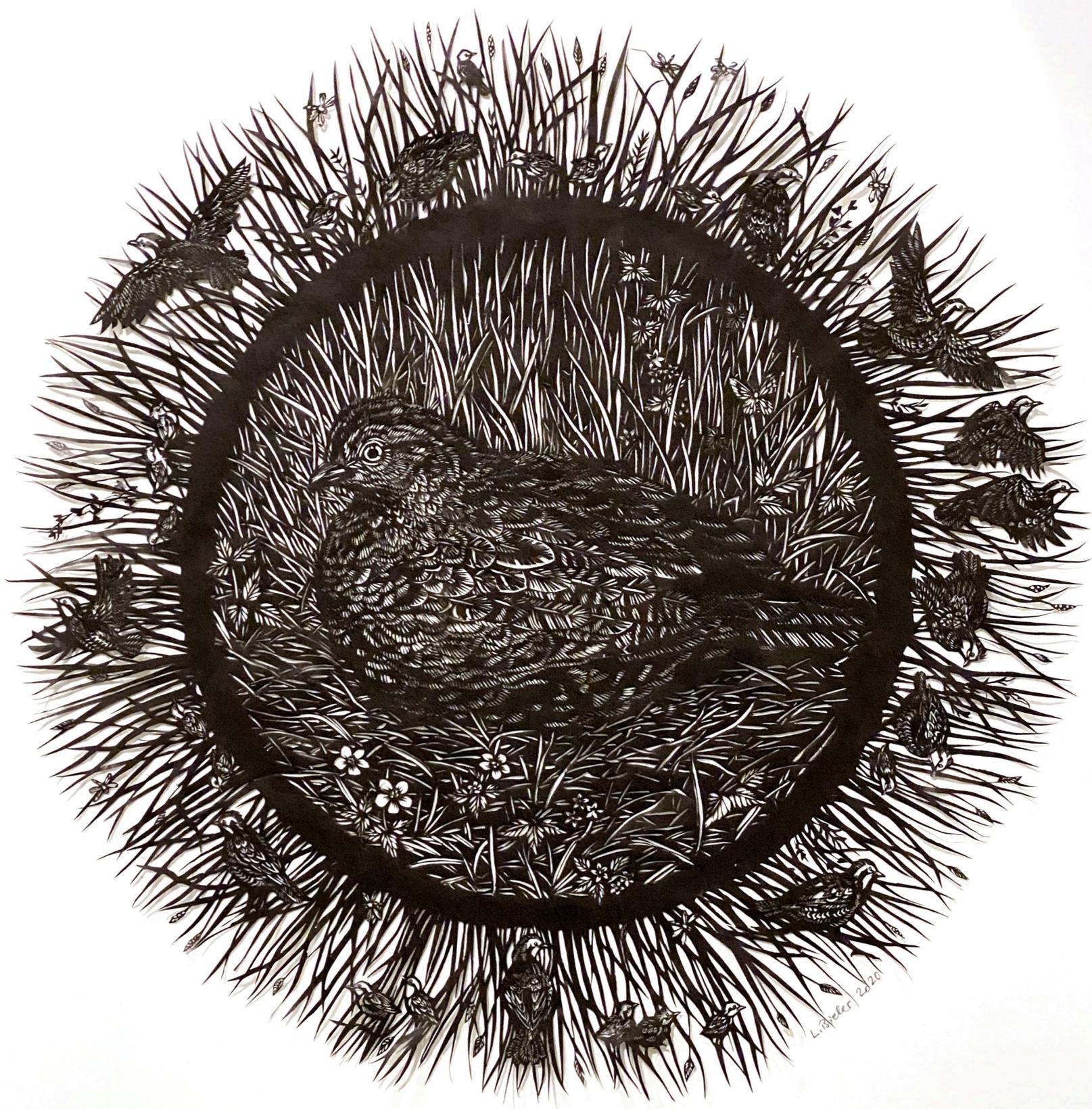
Swiss Night at DC United vs. Chicago Fire

May 25, 2024, 7:30 PM
Audi Field
100 Potomac Ave SW
Washington, DC 20024
Tickets: \$27-35

One of Switzerland's biggest soccer stars, Xherdan Shaqiri, is coming back to the District! Join us on Saturday, May 25, as we partner with DC United for our third annual Swiss Night, as the home team plays Shaqiri's Chicago Fire. No matter which team you're rooting for, if you're at the game, stop by our table to say hello and learn a bit more about soccer in Switzerland.

As a bonus, the first 200 people who purchase tickets using [this link](#) will receive a DC United and Swiss Embassy co-branded scarf!

Art



Source: Lucrezia Bieler

Swiss Art at Smithsonian Craft Show

May 1–5
National Building Museum
401 F Street NW
Washington DC 20001
Tickets: \$20

No, that's not a painting; it's delicately cut paper! Renowned Swiss-born artist Lucrezia Bieler is showcasing her exquisite *Scherenschnitte*, or paper cuttings, at this year's Smithsonian Craft Show, taking place until May 5 at the National Building

Museum. Visit booth 333 to admire her masterpieces, which capture the intricacy of Swiss craftsmanship. Secure your tickets [here](#) to experience the beauty of this timeless craft firsthand.

Your Swiss *Rendez-Vous* in DC



Source: Embassy of Switzerland, 2023

Flower Mart

May 3 & 4, 10 AM–5 PM

Washington National Cathedral

3101 Wisconsin Ave NW

Washington, DC 20016

General Admission: free

Nothing points to spring more than flowers in bloom, which is why the annual Flower Mart, and associated International Floral Display, at the Washington National Cathedral is a beloved DC tradition. The Embassy of Switzerland will once again participate with a unique design. Though you'll have to visit the display for yourselves to see what it is, we can give you a hint: it has something to do with water. Flowers and water sound refreshing? Then make this your next Swiss *Rendez-Vous* in DC. You can find more information about the International Floral Display [here](#).

Stay connected for more glimpses of the Swiss *Rendez-Vous* in D.C. – and share your discoveries with us!

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