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Upcoming Swiss Cultural Events in New Zealand

(As indicated by the Swiss Embassy - Wellington)

The Swiss Embassy in co-operation with 'Pro Helvetia-Arts Council of Switzerland' is pleased to announce the **Photographic Exhibition** of '*The Patient Planet/So Many Worlds*' for 1999.

Christchurch	Canterbury Museum	5 May - 7 June 1999
Palmerston North	Manawatu Art Gallery	19 June - 1 August 1999
Wellington	Dowse Art Gallery (Lower Hutt)	21 August - 21 November 1999
Auckland	Auckland Art Gallery	11 Dec. 1999 - 23 Jan. 2000

The Patient Planet/So Many Worlds is a remarkable exhibition of photographs which tells the story of the major political and human events of the second half of the twentieth century. Turbulent, yet touching, the 255 images tell individual stories with formidable authenticity, a factor which is frequently overlooked in today's art-directed or manipulated images. Nearly all the renowned names of humanistic photojournalism are represented including Switzerland's Werner Bischof, together with Henri Cartier-Bresson, René Burri, Robert Frank and many others. This is an important exhibition, brought to New Zealand by Pro Helvetia, Arts Council of Switzerland, and should be of great interest to every age group - it is a photographic history of the world that is our's.

Embassy of Switzerland, Wellington

Changes to the line-up of personnel;

Mr. Walter Simmen, Head of Mission and Chargé d'Affaires a.i. - No change to duties

Mr. Franz Schneider, Deputy Head of Mission - As before - AHV / AVS etc.

Mr. Schneider is leaving mid-June at the end of his posting in New Zealand.

Mrs Lilach Guitart Nuñez - Same duties as for Mrs Nadine Studer, her predecessor - i.e. passports etc.

Mrs Louise Hemmingsen Beale - As before.

Mrs Gabriela von Känel Fyfe - Part-time secretary.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR.....

Can you remember last month's editorial? The "concept of time" and its implications in all our lives seem to have created 'food for thought'!

- A most welcome response was received from M. Groth, Paihia. She is contributing for further contemplation the following poem from Michael Endes book "Moma":

All dwelling in one house
are strange **brothers three**
as unlike as any
three brothers could be,
yet try as you may
to tell brother from brother,
you'll find that the trio resemble
each other.
The first isn't there,
though he'll come beyond doubt.
The second departed,

so he's not about.
The third and the smallest
is right on the spot,
and manage without him
the others could not.
Yet the third is a factor
with which to be reckoned
because the first brother
turns into the second.

You cannot stand back
and observe number three,
for one of the others is all
you will see.

So, tell me, my child,
are the three of them one?
Or are there but two?
Or could there be none?

Just name them,
and you will at once realize
that each rules a kingdom
of infinite size.

They rule it together
and are it as well.
in that they're alike,
so where do they dwell?

The three brothers are 'Past', 'Present', and 'Future';
The 'Kingdom' is 'Time';
This 'Kingdom' can be found in every human heart!

Help !

Swiss Engineer would like to emigrate to New Zealand and is seeking employment.

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