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1st August Badge 2012 – a piece of Jewellery



It is a contemporary piece of jewellery in anodized aluminium (silver colour) that the Geneva artist Gilbert Albert has created for Pro Patria this year - a brooch that can be worn all year around.

The badge has a hollow Swiss cross in the middle and can be ordered from your Swiss Club or the Embassy (Wivian Buckrell (04) 815 9518) at \$ 8.00 a piece.

It is the 90th anniversary of the Pro Patria 1st of August badge this year. The proceeds go to the young people in Switzerland, to enable school classes to take part in exchange programmes so they can experience different parts of their country. The proceeds also go to the upkeep of cultural treasures in Switzerland. This year's motto is "Small historic monuments - charming but often underestimated and forgotten landmarks all over Switzerland".

Visit the website: www.propatria.ch

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Marion Weichelt
Ambassador

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In Auckland

Mr. März	1966 - 1969	Honorary Consul
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(List provided by Heinz Jäggi)

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