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Lucerne ALPINEUM

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GETTING HERE

Bus: 1, 22, 23 / Stop: Löwenplatz

OPENING HOURS

April to October
Daily 9 am to 12.30 pm and 1.30 pm to 6 pm
Closed in winter, groups by prior arrangement

All-embracing views of the mountains without stepping foot outside the town. Giant diorama pictures with three-dimensional foregrounds and amazing depth effects showcase Switzerland's loveliest mountain regions, including three-dimensional representations of Mounts Pilatus, Rigi, Jungfrau, Monte Rosa, Gornergrat, Breithorn and Matterhorn, plus an ascent of the Mont Blanc. An artistic masterpiece created one hundred years ago by artists Ernst Hodel Sr. and Ernst Hodel Jr. The Alps as a virtual experience, presenting a perfect illusion in the days before cinema and television.

The exhibition is accompanied by numerous reliefs and model houses, ships and mountain railways/cableways. An additional display, The Stereo Image, presents a rare collection of three-dimensional photography dating from around 1900.



Lucerne BOURBAKI PANORAMA

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GETTING HERE

A 15–20 minute walk from Lucerne railway station
Or buses 1, 19, 22 or 23
Two multi-storey car parks over the road: «Löwencentner» and «City-Parking»

OPENING HOURS

November to March: Monday to Sunday from 10 am to 5 pm
April to October: Monday to Sunday from 9 am to 6 pm

The Bourbaki Panorama has ranked amongst Switzerland's most famous attractions for over 130 years. An enormous circular painting finds the artist Edouard Castres immortalising one of the defining events in Swiss history: a defeated French army flees to Switzerland in the harsh winter of 1871 and, in a remarkable act of solidarity, finds refuge. Complementing the large-scale panorama is a permanent exhibition which expands on the historical theme and offers the visitor additional information. The viewer is brought closer to the individuals whose stories are told, to the solidarity of the Swiss people and to the painting's origins. The unique visual experience offered by the picture and the exhibition on the floor below leave a lasting impression. The Bourbaki Panorama is suitable for individual visitors as well as groups.



Lucerne GLACIER GARDEN

ADDRESS

Denkmalstrasse 4
CH-6006 Lucerne
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info@gletschergarten.ch
www.gletschergarten.ch

GETTING HERE

The attraction is approx. 15 minutes' walk from the railway station or Old Town
Or buses 1, 19, 22 or 23 from the railway station (stop: Löwenplatz)
Coach park: Löwenplatz car park
Car parking: «City-Parking» and «Löwencenter» multi-storey car parks

OPENING HOURS

1 April to 31 October: 9 am to 6 pm daily
1 November to 31 March: 10 am to 5 pm daily
Guided tours and drinks receptions by appointment

Located beside the famous Lion Monument, the Glacier Garden ranks amongst the oldest attractions in Switzerland. Discovered in 1872, the glacial potholes dating back to the Ice Age and the much older marine beach aroused considerable interest in the scientific community of the day, as well as the general public. A lush park was soon established to complement these remnants of the distant past. A stroll to the observation tower offering views of the town and the mountains remains a popular activity today. The Chalet-style Schweizerhaus, now heritage protected, houses exhibitions of geological and historical interest. F. L. Pfyffer's 18th century terrain model of Switzerland is the world's oldest large-scale landscape relief. And finally, for more than a hundred years, visitors of all ages have considered the Alhambra mirror maze to be the highlight of a visit to the Glacier Garden.



Lucerne HANS ERNI MUSEUM

ADDRESS

Verkehrshaus/Swiss Museum of Transport
Lidostrasse 5
6006 Luzern
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Phone +41 41 420 86 36 (Hans Erni-Stiftung)

GETTING HERE

From Lucerne station:
Bus: 6, 8, 24 / stop: Verkehrshaus
Train: S3 suburban train and Voralpen-Express / station: Luzern Verkehrshaus
Boat: Verkehrshaus-Lido landing stage
Car: Lido car park

OPENING HOURS

Summertime 10 am to 6 pm
Wintertime 10 am to 5 pm

Hans Erni (born 1909 in Lucerne) is the most popular Swiss artist and also the best known internationally. Presenting over 300 of his works culled during eight decades of activity, the collection documents the many different themes and techniques he explored throughout a unique creative life.

Hans Erni is committed to social, ecological and sociopolitical ideas and perspectives. The artist's critical interest in modern technology and his concern for human dignity in our modern world lead to unexpected confrontations.

Awarded the Art Prize of Lucerne in 1968 and the UN Peace Medal in 1983, Hans Erni was honoured for his life's work by his home town, which granted him the freedom of the city in 2004.



Lucerne MUSEUM OF HISTORY

ADDRESS

Pfistergasse 24
CH-6000 Lucerne 7
Phone +41 41 228 54 24
info.hml@lu.ch
www.historischesmuseum.lu.ch

GETTING HERE

Bus: 2, 9, 12, 18 / stop: Kasernenplatz

OPENING HOURS

Tuesday to Sunday from 10 am to 5 pm
Special opening hours for groups by appointment (minimum of 8 people)

The Museum of History is located in the ancient armoury of Lucerne and presents the cultural history of Lucerne and the surrounding region.

Theatre tours with professional actors slipping into various roles explore the museum's collection and offer fascinating glimpses into Lucerne's life and culture. Changing annually and suitable for visitors of all ages, these last 40 minutes and take place at 10 and 11 am and at 2 and 3 pm.

Every item in the permanent exhibition is marked with a bar code, which visitors scan with a small bar code reader. This allows the artefacts to be researched at the visitor's own pace, with a choice of detailed information, thematic tours and tricky puzzles.

The museum offers two additional temporary exhibitions a year and two mini exhibitions: by focusing on current topics, the latter forge a link between the present and the past.



Lucerne MUSEUM OF ART

ADDRESS

Europaplatz 1
CH-6002 Lucerne
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www.kunstmuseumluzern.ch

GETTING HERE

The railway station is next door; alternatively, parking is available in the multi-story car park of the KKL Culture and Convention Centre.

OPENING HOURS

Tuesday to Sunday from 10 am to 5 pm
Wednesday from 10 am to 8 pm | Monday closed
Open on all public holidays

Kunstmuseum Luzern draws its self-image both from its acknowledged, historically developed position as the leading institution of visual art in Central Switzerland, and from its location in the internationally respected architecture of Jean Nouvel's Culture and Congress Centre Lucerne (KKL). From this derive not only the responsibilities assumed by the institution, but also the standard of quality required for its work and its content. The purposes of the exhibitions is to show important attitudes and examples of contemporary art in a committed and consistent way. A deliberate interplay takes place between regional, national or international art, in a way that involves already established positions. The collection is to be given as permanent a presence as possible, in changing forms, within the exhibition programme, and thus to act as a complement, contrast or historic backdrop to the other exhibits.



Lucerne MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY

ADDRESS

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GETTING HERE

Bus: 2, 9, 12, 18 / stop: Kasernenplatz

OPENING HOURS

Tuesday to Sunday from 10 am to 5 pm
Open on public holidays

Lucerne is home to the most important collection of gold wasps (Family Chrysididae) in the world, including over 600 holotype descriptions by the Lucerne-born animal illustrator and insect researcher, Walter Linsenmaier (1917–2000). Equally unique are the 15th century «dragon stones» from the Pilatus and the bones of the «Giant of Reiden» from the 16th century. The Museum of Natural History possess around 100 collections, some very old indeed, relating to earth science and flora and fauna. It researches these and presents selected items in its exhibitions.

In addition to its half-yearly temporary exhibitions, which explore topics of topical interest, the permanent exhibitions at the Lucerne Museum of Natural History examine the emergence of the Central Swiss landscape, its wealth of minerals and the occurrence and ecology of the region's animals and plants. A winner of the Prix Expo awarded by the Swiss Academy of Sciences, the exhibition titled «Wunderwelt Insekten» (The wonderful world of insects) pays homage to the wonderful diversity of that particular branch of the animal kingdom.



Lucerne POLICE MUSEUM

ADDRESS

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CH-6002 Lucerne
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www.polizei.lu.ch

GETTING HERE

Bus: 2, 9, 12, 18 / stop: Hirzenhof

Bus: 10 / stop: Zähringerstrasse

OPENING HOURS

Monday to Friday, start between 5 pm to 7 pm: groups only (10 to 20 persons) by appointment. Duration 90 minutes. Closed during school holidays
Minimum age: 15

The Lucerne Police Museum presents evidence from approximately 40 cases, an impressive collection of weapons, fascinating topics, and even a staged crime. Groups (prior reservation necessary) are offered a retrospective of policing in earlier times and learn all about some of Canton Lucerne's major crimes. The museum presents a thrilling glimpse of the past, present and future of police work.



Lucerne
RICHARD WAGNER MUSEUM

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GETTING HERE

Car: from Bundesplatz head out of town along Tribtschenstrasse and follow signs
Bus: 6, 7, 8 from the railway station / stop: Wartegg
Boat: afternoons from April to October from landing stage no. 4 in Lucerne to Tribtschen

OPENING HOURS

Tuesday to Sunday from 10 am to 12am and 2 pm to 5pm
Closed on Mondays except Easter and Whitsun Mondays
Closed from 1 December to 14 March

Wagner was one of the most renowned composers in the history of music. The country manor in Tribtschen, on Lake Lucerne, was his residence and the place where he worked for six years (1866–1872). This manor, in which Wagner accomplished many of his works, is open to the public. Photographs, paintings and a valuable collection of letters and musical scores testify to Wagner's life and work here. A highlight of the collection is the Erard grand piano on which Wagner completed his works, including *The Mastersingers of Nuremberg*. Concerts featuring this piano are still given today. Apart from the main Wagner exhibition, the museum holds temporary exhibitions on various aspects of the composer's life and environment. During the summer there is a café on the forecourt, where visitors can enjoy the views. Come and visit us!



Lucerne
ROSENGART COLLECTION

ADDRESS

Rosengart Foundation
Pilatusstrasse 10
CH-6003 Lucerne
Phone +41 41 220 16 60
info@rosengart.ch
www.rosengart.ch

GETTING HERE

The Collection is 3 minutes' walk from the railway station.

OPENING HOURS

April to October daily 10 am to 6 pm
November to March daily 11 am to 5 pm
Or by appointment

Along with Picasso and Klee, the Rosengart Collection puts a clear emphasis on Classical Modernism, featuring several of its major exponents and exceptional works of the highest artistic merit. The collection is a subjective choice, lovingly assembled by the collectors and reflecting their likes and preferences. It has acquired its international reputation on the strength of unique groups of works by Picasso and Klee: 125 watercolours, drawings and paintings by Klee covering all periods of his work, and 32 impressive paintings, 100 or so drawings, watercolours and graphic and sculptural works culled from Picasso's later years. The other artists featured – including Monet, Cézanne, Vuillard, Bonnard, Matisse, Braque, Léger, Miró and Chagall – were instrumental in moving art into abstraction.



Lucerne
SWISS MUSEUM OF TRANSPORT

ADDRESS

Lidostrasse 5
CH-6006 Lucerne
Phone +41 41 370 44 44
mail@verkehrshaus.ch
www.verkehrshaus.ch

GETTING HERE

From Lucerne station:
Bus: 6, 8, 24 / stop: Verkehrshaus
Train: S3 suburban train and Voralpen-Express / station: Luzern Verkehrshaus
Boat: Verkehrshaus-Lido landing stage

OPENING HOURS

Summertime 10 am to 6 pm
Wintertime 10 am to 5 pm

Offering a range of engaging and exciting settings, the Swiss Museum of Transport presents the development of transport and mobility on road, rail and water, as well as in the air and in space. Visitors see and experience over 3000 items, simulators, multimedia shows and interactive platforms in a vast exhibition area. A visit is further enhanced by unique attractions such as the widescreen Filmtheatre, the Planetarium, the Swissarena, the Nautirama, the Swiss Chocolate Adventure and the Hans Erni Art Gallery. As an inspirational experience for all ages, families and school classes, the museum's exhibitions and activities help it forge links between the past, the present and the future.



Adligenswil
FIRE BRIGADE MUSEUM

ADDRESS

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GETTING HERE

PostBus: Lucerne-Rotkreuz / stop: Adligenswil Dorf

OPENING HOURS

By appointment

The Fire Brigade Museum presents the development of the fire brigade until the beginning of motorisation through the example of the Adligenswil fire brigade: from raising the alarm by shouting to technical alarm systems, from fire ponds to hydrant systems, from buckets to hand pumps, from candles to electricity, from a firewatch with muzzle loaders to the traffic department with flashlights, from fire tunics to uniforms, from leather hats to metal helmets.



Alberswil
SWISS MUSEUM OF AGRICULTURE BURGRAIN

ADDRESS

Burgrain 20
CH-6248 Alberswil
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museum@agrovision.ch
www.museumburgrain.ch

GETTING HERE

PostBus: Sursee–Willisau / stop: Kreisel Burgrain

OPENING HOURS

April to October
Wednesday to Saturday 2 pm to 5 pm
Sundays and public holidays 10 am to 5 pm
Groups of 10 and upwards by arrangement
Guided tours by arrangement

The Swiss Museum of Agriculture Burgrain showcases a wide range of agricultural and farmyard technology, farm-based home economics and rural industries of the past. The fascinating exhibition includes objects dating as far back as the end of the 17th century. This vintage retrospective forges a link with modern-day agriculture on the neighbouring organic farm and in the Agrivision Experience presentation. The modern, multisensory Bee Experience exhibition allows visitors of all ages to learn about bee colonies, honey and other bee products: visitors can feed the bees with sugar solution and taste six different sorts of honey at the honey bar. Interesting temporary exhibitions and events complement the permanent exhibition. Also well worth a visit is the surprisingly interesting box museum next door.

The Museum of Agriculture is currently undergoing a future-oriented development process focusing on food and farming.



Beromünster
HAUS ZUM DOLDER / Dr. Edmund Müller Collection

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GETTING HERE

Bus: 52 from Lucerne (every 30 minutes) / stop: Flecken
PostBus: from Sursee and Beinwil am See

OPENING HOURS

Guided tours by appointment
Public guided tours: first Saturday of the month at 2 pm (April to November)

ADDITIONAL SERVICES

Guided tours by appointment.
From March to October on the last Sunday of the month: Guided tour of highlights in the Haus zum Dolder, Castle Museum and Collegiate Church
2 pm at the Haus zum Dolder. Duration approx. 90 minutes

You'd think Dr. Edmund Müller was about to return any minute! The Haus zum Dolder commands the visitor's attention through the immediacy of its presentation, which is as outstanding as it is diverse. Lovingly assembled by three generations of country doctors, the collection was bequeathed by the last of them on his death in 1976. Offering a fascinating insight into the extent to which culture influenced and enriched the personal everyday life, as well as the working and living conditions, of the Müller-Dolder families, are artefacts culled from the art and cultural heritage of Central Switzerland, Baroque craftwork from the region, outstanding items of furniture and numerous reverse paintings on glass, faience ware, pewter, costume jewellery, ecclesiastical sculptures and religious folk art, amulets and medical equipment, apothecaries' vessels and an extensive library. The Dolder cellar also houses temporary exhibitions.



Beromünster COLLEGIATE CHURCH

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www.stiftberomuenster.ch

GETTING HERE

Bus: 52 from Lucerne / stop: Flecken

PostBus: from Sursee

PostBus: from Beinwil am See

Stop: Flecken

OPENING HOURS

Guided tours by appointment, Monday to Saturday 10 am to 5 pm (no tours on Sundays or public holidays). Duration: approx. 75 minutes

From March to October on the last Sunday of the month: Guided tour of highlights in the Haus zum Dolder, Castle Museum and Collegiate Church
2 pm at the Haus zum Dolder. Duration approx. 90 minutes

A visit to the Church of St. Michael Beromünster with a canon as your guide. St. Michael's is home to major cultural treasures including gold and silver jewellery, richly decorated vestments and choir stalls over 400 years old. Discovering these treasures under the guidance of a canon is a unique experience. The Baroque church boasts three organs and choir stalls dating back to the 17th century, a 7th century Warnebertus reliquary, ivory panels and book covers from the 8th to the 14th centuries, a Limoges crucifix and a processional cross from the 13th century, gold and silver liturgical artefacts and precious vestments as well as a collection of Early and High Medieval reliquary cloths.



Beromünster CASTLE MUSEUM

ADDRESS

Centralstrasse

CH-6215 Beromünster

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GETTING HERE

Bus: 52 / stop: Flecken

OPENING HOURS

By appointment for groups, schools or individuals.

From March to October on the last Sunday of the month: Guided tour of highlights in the Haus zum Dolder, Castle Museum and Collegiate Church
2 pm at the Haus zum Dolder. Duration approx. 90 minutes

Reconstructed printing room from the times of Helyas Helye, who printed the first dated book in Switzerland here in 1470. On view are prehistoric and early historic finds, weaponry, a furnished kitchen and living room, a domestic chapel, religious folk art, reverse glass painting, playing cards, models, faience ware, traditional costume jewellery, documents on local history, a poetry room, a music room, paintings by Kaspar Meglinger, tools and so forth.



Emmenbrücke RAINMÜHLE MUSEUM

ADDRESS

Rainmühle
CH-6020 Emmenbrücke
Phone +41 41 280 53 71
museum.rainmuehle@pobox.ch

GETTING HERE

Bus: 61 Lucerne–Ettiswil / stop: Innerrain

OPENING HOURS

April to October: Sundays from 2 pm to 5 pm or by appointment
Guided tours

Between 1495 and 1982 grain was milled here in what is now the Rainmühle industrial museum / art and culture centre in the north of Lucerne. The complex is on the Rotback stream below the Rainmühle Pond with its weir, pressure shaft and surge shaft. The old Benningen Francis turbine and its authentically conserved first-generation water-powered machinery and mechanisms occupy five floors of the upper mill. The preserved plant includes Soder, Daverio and Bühler milling mechanisms, a crushing mechanism, a sack beating machine, a semolina purifier and a plansifter in wood. The two floors of the lower mill contain the mechanism for the pre-industrial processing of cereals. The Rainmühle mills stem from the earliest days of Switzerland's industrialisation; it is Canton Lucerne's largest historic plant comprising the oldest machines and is a unique resource amongst the country's remaining cereal mills. The flour storage room now contains a bistro and bar, while the outdoor area offers opportunities for art and cultural exhibitions and events both public and private.



Ettiswil KLÖSTERLI MUSEUM IM SCHLOSS WYHER

ADDRESS

Schloss Wyher
CH-6218 Ettiswil
Phone +41 41 228 54 27 (Lucerne Museum of History)
kurt.lussi2@lu.ch
www.historischesmuseum.lu.ch

GETTING HERE

Bus: 61 Lucerne–Ettiswil / stop: Schloss Wyher

OPENING HOURS

Last Sunday of the month from 2 pm to 5 pm
Groups of 10 or more by appointment
Guided tours by appointment

The Klösterli Museum is located in Wyher Castle, an edifice nestling in the countryside of Lucerne not far from Ettiswil. The small museum houses part of the folkloristic collection donated by Dr. Josef Zihlmann. The collection centres on artefacts illustrating the beliefs and piety of people living in this part of Switzerland. It is complemented by objects documenting the magical-religious attitudes that once prevailed in the Alps.



Gelfingen CASTLE HEIDEGG

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Schloss Heidegg
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info@heidegg.ch
www.heidegg.ch

GETTING HERE

Train station: Gelfingen

OPENING HOURS

April to October
Tuesday to Friday from 2 pm to 5 pm
Saturday, Sunday, public holidays from 10 am to 5 pm
Rose garden open daily April to October. Tours and groups outside opening hours by appointment

Castle Heidegg was once an important country residence of Lucerne patricians comprising a castle, a park, a forest and vineyards. Built at the turn of the 12th century, the castle was the ancestral seat of the Lords of Heidegg and the centre of a manorial and judicial system. Latest dating techniques indicate that Heidegg is the oldest known residential building in Canton Lucerne. In the 17th century the Pfyffer family extended the Gothic residence with a Baroque tower. Heidegg entered the possession of Canton Lucerne in 1950. This residential museum tells the story of the last blue-blooded owners, Lucerne-born Louis Pfyffer von Heidegg, his wife Caroline Slidell and their successors. The spacious top floor, built in the 17th century, houses a unique recreation area and skittle alley. At the suggestion of German Chancellor Adenauer, the Baroque parterre garden was transformed into the now famous rose garden. Special exhibitions and a cultural programme ensure that Castle Heidegg is always full of life.



Hochdorf COLLECTION OF LOCAL HISTORY

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Sagenbachstrasse 22
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GETTING HERE

Train station: Hochdorf

OPENING HOURS

April to October on the last Sunday of the month from 2 pm to 5 pm
Groups and tours by appointment

This local history collection is curated by the Verein Alt-Hofdere and comprises several thousand artefacts relating to the history of Hochdorf and the surrounding area, with more items added every month. The museum is housed in the basement of the Avanti-schoolhouse, and the exhibition focuses on education (teaching materials, chronicles, illustrative materials, writing utensils and pupils' work), photography (tools, equipment, cameras, etc. from a photographer's workshop in Hochdorf), everyday religious life (votive offerings), the Hochdorf brewery (former brewery of the Wyss brothers), candle production (Balthasar & Co. candle manufacturers), family doctor practices and other elements from the industrial, economic and craft past of Hochdorf.



Kriens MILITARY MUSEUM

ADDRESS

Schlundstrasse
CH-6010 Kriens
Phone +41 41 422 11 70
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www.militaermuseum.ch

GETTING HERE

Bus: 1 from Lucerne railway station towards Kriens / stop: Alpenstrasse

OPENING HOURS

Tuesday to Sunday from 10 am to 5 pm
Other arrangements by appointment
Guided tours for up to 150 visitors by appointment

An overview of more than 100 years of the history of the Swiss Armed Forces in realistic images and settings, the main focus being on uniforms from 1898 to the present day, including the Korean mission, the Swiss Guard, the UN and the OSCE.

A collector's paradise, the museum also provides non-military experts with copious information on the history of Swiss military uniforms. This unique private collection is brought to life in 25 faithfully reproduced scenes.

Reflecting the military style and paying great attention to detail, the restaurant offers a chance to enjoy traditional Swiss military fare or a drink at the bar.



Kriens MUSEUM IN BELLPARK

ADDRESS

Luzernerstrasse 21
CH-6011 Kriens
Phone +41 41 310 33 81
Fax +41 41 310 93 81
museum@bellpark.ch
www.bellpark.ch

GETTING HERE

Bus: 1 from Lucerne railway station towards Kriens / stop: Hofmatt-Bellpark

OPENING HOURS

Wednesday to Saturday from 2 pm to 5 pm
Sunday from 11 am to 5 pm
Guided tours by appointment

The Museum in Bellpark, a forum for history, photography and art, is home to an eclectic gathering of themes. Where else would you find exhibitions featuring motorways, clubs, refuges and barracks, bunkers and mopeds? Local history discoveries are juxtaposed with present-day topics to produce surprising results. A key focus of the museum is photography. Temporary exhibitions showing current trends in Swiss art are also part of the museum's concept.

The Museum in Bellpark is assembling an archive on local history themes and collecting contemporary Swiss drawings.

Situated in the former Villa Florida, which was built in 1911 by the well-known hotel architect, Emil Vogt (1863–1936), the premises can be hired for private functions.



Meggen
MEGGENHORN CASTLE

ADDRESS

Meggenhornstrasse 54
CH-6045 Meggen
Phone +41 41 377 11 61
meggenhorn@meggen.ch
www.meggenhorn.ch

GETTING HERE

Bus: 24 from Lucerne railway station towards Meggen (stop: Lerchenbühl), then a 15-minute waymarked walk

Boat: a boat stops here on Sundays. See www.lakelucerne.ch for details

OPENING HOURS

Castle and cafeteria open from April until the end of October on Sundays from 12 am to 5 pm. Guided tours during the week by appointment (max. 15 persons per group)

Surrounded by lush parkland, stately Meggenhorn Castle stands on a promontory overlooking Lake Lucerne. The name «Mekkenhorn» was first documented in 1240, and parts of the estate were in the possession of the Church of St. Leodegar. Castle Meggenhorn adopted its current form between 1868 and 1870 when the then owner, Edouard Hofer, remodelled it on Chambord Castle in the Loire Valley.

Guided tours of this residential museum offer an insight into the life of the nobility in the 19th century and the last owners, the Frey-Baumann family, who lived at Castle Meggenhorn from 1920 until its sale to Meggenhorn municipality in 1974.



Reiden
ROBERT SPRENG COLLECTION

ADDRESS

Johanniter-Schulhaus Reiden
CH-6260 Reiden
Phone +41 62 758 33 54

GETTING HERE

Train station: Reiden

OPENING HOURS

Every first Sunday of the month from 4 pm to 6 pm or by appointment

The collection was a gift from Basel-based photographer and art lover Robert Spreng to his hometown of Reiden in 1969. It comprises 160 works (oil paintings, water colours, collages, drawings, glass paintings and sculptures by 47 artists of the 20th century). The artists include Amiet, Coghuf, Brignoni, Barlach, Hindenlang, Moilliet, Scherer and Stöcklin. The collection constitutes a representative cross-section of Swiss art in the first half of the 20th century.



Rickenbach
SPYCHER MUSEUM OF LOCAL HISTORY

ADDRESS

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GETTING HERE

PostBus: Sursee–Beromünster–Rickenbach / stop: Kirchplatz

OPENING HOURS

By appointment

Implements from agriculture, crafts and trade; documents relating to municipal history



Root
ROOT MUSEUM / HAUS BEIM BRUNNEN

ADDRESS

Luzernerstrasse 16
CH-6037 Root
Phone +41 41 450 22 52
info@museum-root.ch
www.museum-root.ch

GETTING HERE

Train: 10-minute walk from Gisikon-Root railway station

Bus: 23 / stop: Root Dorf

Road: from Lucerne or Zurich, take the Gisikon-Root motorway exit and turn right towards Lucerne after the railway underpass. Proceed past the station and straight on into Luzernerstrasse

OPENING HOURS

Generally open on the first Sunday of every month from 2 pm to 5 pm

July and August: closed

Guided tours and special opening times by appointment

The museum is located in the Haus beim Brunnen, a typical Lucerne «Tätschhaus» dating back to the 17th century. Root's last sturgeon leather shoemaker, Josef Stücheli (1892–1967), lived and worked in one part of the house together with his wife and 11 children. A large part of what he left behind has been preserved, a testimony to a world marked by poverty and deprivation but also to the world of a self-employed craftsman. Other key elements of the museum include a series of exhibitions examining Root over the course of time (photo exhibition), the history of taverns in Root and the history of the Friedheim house (Schniderlilonzi). Also available: a collection of interviews with contemporary witnesses on DVD, which can be watched in the museum.



Schötz ARCHAEOLOGICAL MUSEUM

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archaeologisches.museum@schoetz.ch
www.hvwiggertal.ch

GETTING HERE

Train station: Willisau or Nebikon
PostBus: Nebikon–Schötz–Willisau / stop: Schötz Post

OPENING HOURS

Published on our website, www.hvwiggertal.ch
Other times by appointment

The museum is close to the Wauwilermoos archaeological trail, which takes visitors on a tour of the area's key finds.

The newly designed museum presents archaeological finds from the Wauwil plain and the Wiggertal valley (Stone Age, Bronze Age, Iron Age, Roman and Middle Ages). At the heart of the collection are exclusive finds from Egozvil 3, an early farming village, the location of which is included on the list of UNESCO World Heritage sites. Interesting landscape reliefs, reconstructions and models provide a good overview of the early settlement of the region.



Schötz RONMÜHLE MUSEUM

ADDRESS

Verein Freunde der Ronnmühle
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www.ronmuehle.ch

GETTING HERE

Train station: Willisau or Nebikon
PostBus: Nebikon–Schötz–Willisau / stop: Schötz St. Mauritz

OPENING HOURS

May to October on the first Sunday of the month from 2 pm to 5 pm or by appointment

The 400-year-old Ronnmühle in Schötz houses the 7000 or so items in the collection of postmaster Paul Würsch, who died in 2002. He himself referred to the house and the collection as a «haven for cultural flotsam». Living on in the special atmosphere of the old rooms are several centuries' worth of religious and magical items, curios, tools, technical antiquities and everyday objects.

The former mill cellar and the gravel courtyard can be hired with or without guide for groups of up to 100 persons.



Schüpfheim ENTLEBUCH MUSEUM

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entlebucherhaus@bluewin.ch
www.entlebucherhaus.ch

GETTING HERE

Train station: Schüpfheim, then a 10-minute walk

OPENING HOURS

First Sunday of the month from 2 pm to 5 pm
Every Wednesday from 2 pm to 5 pm or by appointment
Guided tours by appointment

The wide-ranging exhibition in this local history museum presents the particularities of the cultural treasures of the Entlebuch region, including its day-to-day history characterised by agriculture, its local handicrafts and its precious exhibits bearing witness to Flühli glassmaking.

A number of different themes are presented including:

- Life in the late 19th / early 20th century
- Early handicrafts
- Agriculture, forestry and Alpine farming
- Tradition, tourism and piety
- A unique collection of Flühli glass
- New exhibition areas: History of the Entlebuch and Music in the Entlebuch
- Special activity for children: Journey of Discovery



Sempach TOWN HALL MUSEUM

ADDRESS

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www.rathaus-sempach.ch

GETTING HERE

PostBus: Sempach Station–Sursee / stop: Post Sempach

OPENING HOURS

Tuesday to Friday 2 pm to 5 pm
Saturday and Sunday from 1.30 pm to 5.30 pm
Guided tours by appointment

Spread over four floors, the numerous sources tell the story of political, economic, social and religious life in Sempach from the late Middle Ages to the present day. The restored town hall dating back to 1474 is itself an important artefact. The top floor is devoted to the Sempach War of 1386, recalling the eventful history of the surrounding area. The story of the national hero Winkelried and the changes in commemoration serve as historical lessons.

Contemporary media facilitate this encounter with history: key facts about the individual exhibits are provided on a tablet and complemented by more detailed information.



St. Urban
MUSEUM OF CONTEMPORARY ART (MOCA)

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GETTING HERE

Road: motorway A2 / exit Reiden-St. Urban
Train station: St. Urban, then a 3-minute walk
PostBus stop: St. Urban, Kloster

OPENING HOURS

moca-st-urban, Museum-artpavillon-st-urban by appointment
Temporary exhibitions in the Abbey convent and Orangery: as per published information
skulpturenpark-st-urban in the Abbey grounds: permanent and temporary exhibitions throughout the year, free admission

The museum is a unique platform for presenting and promoting art in every field of contemporary art and culture. Nestling in the enchanting scenery of the Lucerne Hinterland, the magnificent setting of St. Urban Abbey provides the backdrop for art-st-urban. The private art-st-urban art and culture center incorporates the moca-st-urban museum, the skulpturenpark-art-st-urban with the orangery in the park, and the artist-in-residence support program. The varied works in the cabinets and lounges of the moca-art-st-urban, the former «asylum for unruly men», are placed under the banner «Real-Unreal-Surreal» – a strong reference to the «past behind bars». From time to time, Music meets Art festivals are organized with themed exhibitions, concerts and associated cultural events. A number of sculptures by national and international artists can be admired in the skulpturenpark-art-st-urban situated in the magnificent park around St. Urban Abbey. The artist-in-residence support program offers selected and juried artists free residency stays including intensive workshops.



St. Urban
MONASTRY ST. URBAN

ADDRESS

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www.st-urban.ch

GETTING HERE

Bus: from Reiden, Zell and Zofingen
Train: from Langenthal
Road: A2 motorway / Reiden exit. A1 motorway / Niederbipp or Rothrist exits

OPENING HOURS

Church: unrestricted viewing all year round
Guided tours of the church and monastery by appointment

The church and monastic buildings of St. Urban are among the most outstanding examples of Cistercian architecture and culture in Switzerland. The imposing church with its distinctive dual-tower façade is incorporated into the abbey complex. Carved with scenes from the bible, the choir stalls are themselves an impressive work of art, while the Baroque organ with its 2500 pipes and monumental organ front is one of the most important examples of its kind in Europe. The richly decorated high altar lends the interior of the church an impressive visual aspect when suffused with light. Climbing the largest Baroque staircase in Switzerland, visitors reach the magnificent stuccoed banqueting room. The imposing library with its intricately carved oak columns is also much admired. This Baroque jewel of the region of Lucerne is surrounded by a magnificent park. St. Urban is exceedingly interesting from a historical, architectural and scenic standpoint. Exhibition with audio-visual presentation.



Sursee SWISS CAPUCHINS MUSEUM

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provinzarchiv.ch@kapuziner.org

GETTING HERE

Train station: Sursee, then a 1-kilometre walk

PostBus stop (Suhrental, Beromünster or Sempach services): Altstadt, then a 250-metre walk

OPENING HOURS

May to October; guided tours for groups only by appointment

The former Capuchin monastery has belonged to the Catholic parish of Sursee since 1998 and is used by the parish and the town. The museum is the possession of the Capuchin province and presents the life and history of the Capuchin order. The collection includes paintings, sculptures, drawings, books, documents and photographs illustrating the history of the Franciscan Order in Switzerland, the history of the Swiss Province of Capuchins, the precepts of St. Francis, the charitable work and the activities of the Capuchins, the crib and the cross, Capuchin cells, literature, the library and the school, Caritas (P. Theodosius Florentini), Third Orders and Forest Brothers, missions, and Capuchin saints and holy men.



Sursee CHURCH TREASURES OF SURSEE

ADDRESS

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GETTING HERE

Train station: Sursee, then a 1-kilometre walk

PostBus stop (Suhrental, Beromünster or Sempach services): Altstadt, then a 250-metre walk to the church

OPENING HOURS

By appointment

A comprehensive overview of the works of 17th–19th century goldsmiths and silver-smiths from the region of Lucerne, in particular from Sursee and the Staffelbach goldsmithing dynasty. Liturgical instruments from the Gothic period to the Modern, focusing on the Baroque. Vestments and religious ceremonial objects.



Sursee
SANKTURBANHOF

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www.sankturbanhof.ch

GETTING HERE

Train station: Sursee
PostBus stop: Altstadt

OPENING HOURS

Wednesday to Friday from 2 pm to 5 pm
Saturday and Sunday from 11 am to 5 pm

The Sankturbanhof is a foyer for temporary exhibitions on contemporary art and social issues. It also presents collections of reverse glass paintings, goldsmithing and sculpture, weapons and coins, as well as archaeological artefacts. Children will enjoy their journeys of discovery with Urbi the Marten as they solve tricky puzzles. The delightful historical building served as the administrative quarters of the Cistercian monastery of St. Urban. The museum offers guided tours of the collections, the premises and the temporary exhibitions. The Abbot's Hall with its important early 17th century murals, other rooms and the garden can be hired for private functions. A cafeteria is also available.



Vitznau
VITZNAU-RIGI MUSEUM

ADDRESS

Zihlstrasse 1
Postfach 148
CH-6354 Vitznau
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vitznau@luzern.com
www.regionalmuseum.ch

GETTING HERE

Train station: Küssnacht
Bus stop: Vitznau
Boat: Vitznau

OPENING HOURS

Whitsun to the third Sunday in September:
Wednesday to Saturday from 4 pm to 6 pm
Sunday from 10 am to 12 am
Groups by appointment

Experience fascinating history in the regional museum of the three Rigi municipalities in Canton Lucerne. For a number of years now the old school and town hall of Vitznau, built in 1894 and now heritage protected, has housed the museum of the municipalities of Greppen, Vitznau and Weggis.

In addition to temporary exhibitions, the museum presents a folkloristic exhibition focusing on the land and people of the region, their history, development, local customs and trades. The exhibition also looks at the Rigi as the Alpine farmers' mountain, pilgrimages, the development of tourism, the Rigi railways and cableways and the history of navigation on Lake Lucerne.



Willisau SWISS BOTTLE MUSEUM

ADDRESS

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www.flaschenmuseum.ch

GETTING HERE

Train: Lucerne–Wolhusen–Willisau, then PostBus towards Hergiswil, alighting at Käppelimmatt
Bus: from Sursee towards Willisau / stop: Käppelimmatt
SatNav: Mühletalstrasse 1, 6130 Willisau

OPENING HOURS

The last weekend of every month, Saturday and Sunday from 10 am to 4 pm

The museum is located very close to the historic town of Willisau in the Lucerne hinterland. About one kilometre from the town on the road to Hergiswil am Napf stands the hamlet of Käppelimmatt. It is the first bottle museum of its kind in Switzerland and, because visitors can marvel at almost every bottle that exists, or has ever existed, in Switzerland, the museum is referred to as Swiss. However, bottles from around the globe are also on show here.

The 7000 or so bottles from the overall collection, which counts more than 30,000 pieces in all, are presented in showcases and on glass shelves. They range from the smallest aromatic essence bottles through urine bottles and ink jars to 50-litre cider bottles: in other words, an A-to-Z of everything that is even remotely linked to glass and bottles. The collection also includes faulty items along with ingenious inventions which have never been released for sale. The museum has a capacity of up to 60 visitors at a time.



Willisau MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS COLLECTION

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GETTING HERE

Bus: Sursee–Willisau–Käppelimmatt / stop: Friedhof

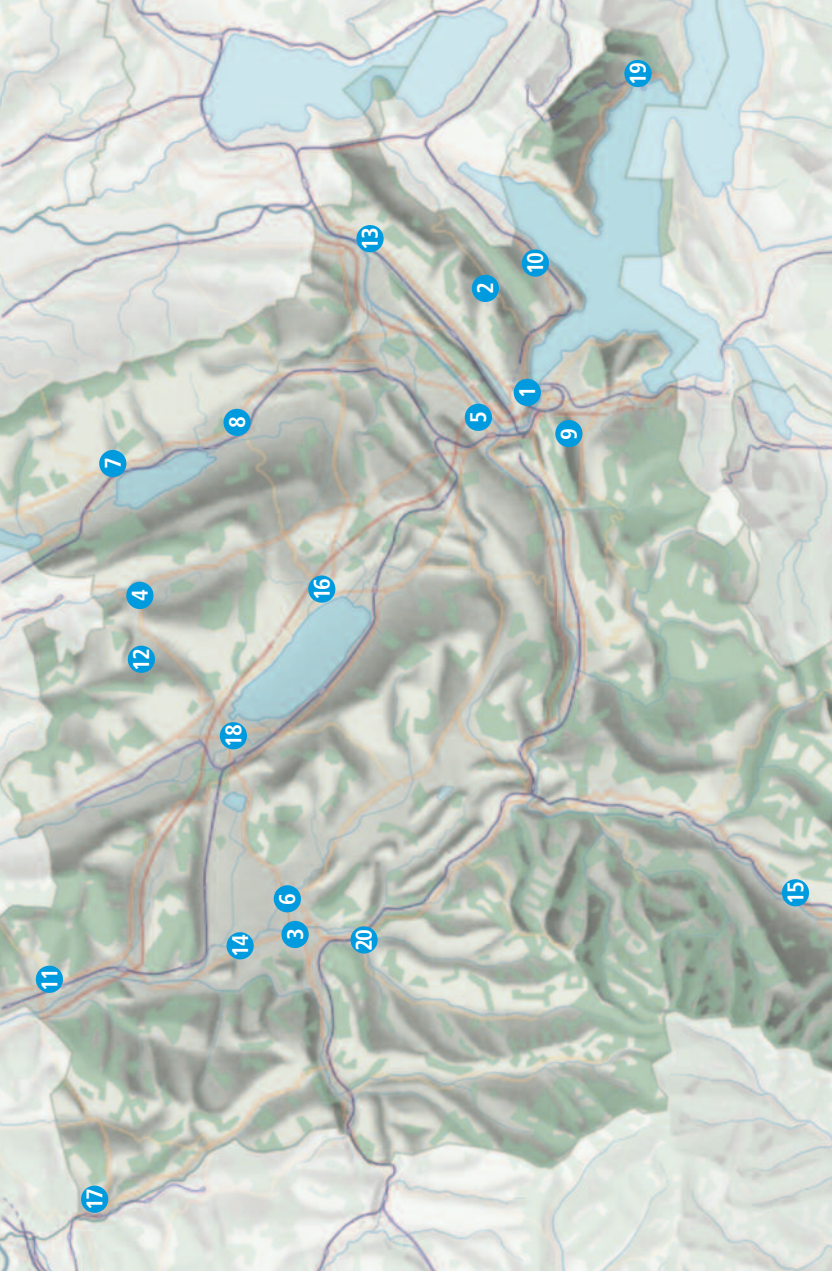
OPENING HOURS

Visit www.musikinstrumentensammlung.ch or call
Guided tours by appointment

The Willisau musical instruments collection is housed in the rooms of a former printing shop. Two different collections are united here, perfectly complementing each other. The Patt collection consists essentially of reproductions of instruments from the Middle Ages and the Renaissance, while the Heinrich Schumacher collection comprises original instruments (16th–20th century) and was housed in the Richard Wagner Museum in Lucerne until 2009.

The Willisau musical instruments collection provides an overview of European musical instruments, with a particular focus on Switzerland.

For the most part, the collections are presented through guided visits. One of the attractions of the museum is that more than 100 instruments can be played, much to the amusement of the younger visitors. By means of headphones and a touch screen, visitors can explore the collection themselves. Concerts, temporary exhibitions and courses round out the activities on offer.



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