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MUSEUMS AND **COLLECTIONS** IN THE CANTON OF SOLOTHURN

Welcome to the museums and collections of the canton of Solothurn.

Information on current exhibitions can also be obtained from the following tourist organisations:



buechibärg

Pro Buechibärg Simon Eberhard 4583 Aetigkofen Phone 078 817 25 76 info@buechibaerg.ch



Egerkingen Tourismus Oltnerstrasse 11 4622 Egerkinger Phone 062 398 03 33 info@egerkingentourismus.ch



Kirchstrasse 10 Postfach 1137 2540 Grenchen Phone 032 644 32 11 info@jurasonnenseite.ch



SOLOTHU{N Tourismus

Region Solothurn Tourismus Hauptgasse 69 4500 Solothurn Phone 032 626 46 46 info@solothurn-city.ch

Naturpark Thal Hölzlistrasse 57

HOFSTETTEN-FLÜH **OI** Cultural Center

DORNACH

☑ Schwarzbubenland Museum of Local History

LIESTAL

KLEINLÜTZEL

- **Bunker Association**
- Museum of the Pipe and Walking Stick

SEEWEN

- **DE Museum of Music Automatons**
- **™** Bührer Barn (tractors)

LAUFEN

BREITENBACH

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- **59** Bakelite Museum

NUNNINGEN

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Nature and animals

LOSTORF

OLTEN

10 Village Museum

Wartenfels Castle

House of Museums

21 Museum of Art

- Arts
- Buildings (castles, fortresses, etc.)
- History and archaeology
- Industry and technology
- Special topics

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20 Museum of Natural History Olten | House of Museums

■ History Museum Olten | House of Museums

E2 Foundation for 19th Century Art

25 Paul Gugelmann Museum

Wengistrasse 27 4713 Matzendorf Phone 076 246 42 02

THE CANTON OF

SOLOTHURN



info@musesol.ch

The association Museumsverbund Kanton Solothurn (MUSESOL) was founded in 2009 and now has around 60 members.

- MUSESOL strengthens the supra-regional coordination and cooperation of the museums and collections of the canton of Solothurn and represents their interests. Members work together with MUSESOL to make themselves known and to promote their wide range of offers. MUSESOL offers further training and exchange of experience between professional and voluntary organisations.
- In addition, MUSESOL coordinates the joint participation on the yearly International Museum Day in May.

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MUSESOL MUSEUMS AND COLLECTIONS IN THE CANTON

OF SOLOTHURN

1st Sunday of the month 2-5 p.m.



Closed July/August

Insights into life and work in the village over the ast hundred years, estorations, changing exhibition themes every September.

egional history of

orneck/Thierstein with

O2 Schwarzbubenland Museum

Hauptstrasse 24, 4143 Dornach Phone 061 701 89 71 ou 076 340 75 44 www.heimatmuseum-dornach.ch After Easter to the end of October Sundays 3-5 p.m.

of Local History Dornach



ocus on the Battle of Dornach in 1499 and the naturalists Moreau de aupertuis and Amanz Bunker Association Kleinlützel

Bunkerverein Kleinlützel. 4245 Kleinlütze

Phone 079 949 62 13 www.kleinluetzelbunker.ch

April to October, guided tours on request



Witnesses to military and local history. You can visit two fully equipped fortifications and a nuclear shelter.

Museum of the Pipe and Walking Stick Factory Kleinlützel Laufenstrasse 296, 4245 Kleinlützel

Phone 061 771 02 04 www.schwarzbubenland.info/kultur/museen uided tours on request

Demonstration of the

making of pipes and walking sticks.

Museum of Music Automatons Seewer

Bollhübel 1, 4206 Seewen, Phone 058 466 78 80 www.musikautomaten.ch

Tuesday-Sunday 11 a.m.-6 p.m. Several public guided tours daily

Free offers for school classes by appointment



guided tour of the museum automatons live in action

06 Bührer Barn (tractors) Seewen

Hörnlistrasse 7. 4206 Seewen, Phone 061 911 92 17 www.musesol.ch

Opening hours on request



Extensive tractor collection, Bührer company history from 1928-1978.

07 Industrial Museum Breitenbach Breitgartenstrasse (assembly hall of the primar

www.industriemuseum.ch October to May, 1st Saturday 2-4 p.m. or on request

school), 4226 Breitenbach, Phone 078 753 23 17

in Breitenbach: exhibits



Industrial development from the companies Schweizerische Isola-Werke, Brac AG.

OB Village Museum Nunningen

Historical objects and

documents from Nunningen

and the surrounding area.

Evolutionary history of the

icycle with bicycles from

all the important periods.

Stäglenweg 15, 4208 Nunningen

1st Sunday of the month 2-5 p.m.

109 Bicycle Museum Nunningen

Kirchmatt 12A, 4208 Nunninger

10 Village Museum Lostorf

May to October, Sunday 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

Wartenfels Castle Lostorf

Mid-May to end of October, Sunday 1–5 p.m.

12 Watchmaking Museum uhrundzeit

1st Sunday of the month 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Guided tours

Offers for schools:

collection of watches

250 years of watchmaking

he association manages

posts in the Solothurn Jura

ounkers and command

Ceramics from Matzen-

dorf and Aedermannsdorf

Solothurn's most important

(19th and 20th centuries).

ceramics collection with around 1,000 objects and

78 loans.

and tools from over

n the Thal.

4716 Welschenrohr, Phone 032 639 12 23

and workshops on request at any time

13 Fortifications Association

Verein VFS (Fortifications Association), CP 60,

4716 Welschenrohr. Phone 032 639 00 77

14 Ceramics Museum Matzendorf

Phone for guided tours 062 394 24 41 or

Kirchstrasse 20, 4713 Matzendor

www.matzendorfer-keramik.ch

1st Sunday of the month 2-4 p.m.

079 548 38 48 (Rita Fluri)

Solothurn Jura

Regular public guided tours

Schlossstrasse 28, 4654 Lostori

Phone 062 298 25 21

Welschenroh

www.uhrundzeit.ch

«KultUhrFabrik», Fabrikstrasse 172,

www.lostorf.ch

or on request

Hauptstrasse 49, 4654 Lostorf

www.dorfmuseum-lostorf.ch

July/August summer break

Phone 061 791 00 80

Opening hours on request

Phone 061 791 09 61

www.nunningen.swiss

Closed July/August

Guided tours on request

15 Historical Society Matzendorf Rainacker 34, 4713 Matzendorf Phone 062 394 24 41 (Anton Fluri) www.musesol.ch

Guided tours of the archives on request



Historical collection on the municipality of Matzendorf, regular exhibitions, history trail through the village.

16 ENERGY PARK Laupersdorf Museumstrasse, 4712 Laupersdorf

Phone 062 386 05 15 (Office hours: Monday-Friday) www.energypark.ch

Open every 1st Saturday of the month 10 a.m.-5 p.m. For guided groups, the museum is open daily by appointment



Exhibition with 600 petrol pumps, 50 vintage cars and jukeboxes. Events for up to 500 people can be arranged by prior arrangement. n-house kitchen

History of comb-making

accessories. Integrated

hairdressing salon and

in Mümliswil and hair

comb workshop.

17 Museum HAARUNDKAMM Mümliswil

Kammpark 10, 4717 Mümliswil, Phone 062 391 29 01 www.haarundkamm.ch

Wednesday-Friday 2-6 p.m. Saturday and Sunday 11 a.m.-5 p.m. For groups, outside opening hours on request



Castle, house museum,

French baroque garden

exhibitions, concerts.

18 Archaeological Museum of the Canton of Solothurn | House of Museums

Konradstrasse 7, 4600 Olten, Phone 062 206 18 00 www.hausdermuseen.ch

Tuesday-Sunday 10 a.m.-5 p.m. School classes by appointment from 8 a.m.



80,000 years of the past. A variety of finds tell stories about people who once ived in our canton.

19 History Museum Olten House of Museums

Konradstrasse 7, 4600 Olten, Phone 062 206 18 00 www.hausdermuseen.ch Tuesday-Sunday 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

School classes by appointment from 8 a.m.



Permanent exhibition "Olten: Please alight here" Immerse vourself in the eventful history of the town and region of Olten.

20 Museum of Natural History Olten **House of Museums**

Konradstrasse 7, 4600 Olten, Phone 062 206 18 00 www.hausdermuseen.ch

Tuesday-Sunday 10 a.m.-5 p.m. School classes by appointment from 8 a.m.



nature in the region, how it has changed geologically over millions of years, and about its biodiversity today.

21 Museum of Art Olten

Kirchgasse 8, 4600 Olten, Phone 062 212 86 76 www.kunstmuseumolten.ch Tuesday-Friday 12-17 p.m. Saturday and Sunday 10 a.m.-5 p.m.



19th century to the present. Important groups of works: Martin Disteli, Cuno Amiet, Otto Morach, Ferdinand Gehr, Christian Rothacher

22 Foundation for 19th Century Art Olten

c/o Musée des Beaux-Arts Olten, Kirchgasse 8, 4600 Olten, Phone 062 212 86 76 www.sk19.ch



Drawings, graphic art, illustrated books and paintings with a focus on Romantic art, library with secondary literature.

BALLYANA Collection Industrial Culture Schönenwerd

Schachenstrasse 24, 5012 Schönenwerd Phone 062 849 91 09 www.ballyana.ch



Industrial history of the Schönenwerd region, Bally shoe and ribbon

24 Bally Shoe Museum Schönenwerd

Oltnerstrasse 6, 5012 Schönenwerd Phone 062 849 99 45 Temporarily closed

25 Paul Gugelmann Museum Schönenwerd Schmiedengasse 37, 5012 Schönenwerd

Phone 062 849 65 40 www.gugelmann-museum.ch Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday 2-5 p.m. Guided group tours daily on request



Over 40 poetic machines by the Schönenwerd artist Paul Gugelmann.

26 Alt-Falkenstein Castle Local **History Museum Balsthal**

4710 Klus/Balsthal Phone 062 391 54 32 www.museum-alt-falkenstein.ch Opening hours see website



Castle from the 11th century, fossils, coins, weapons, crafts from the Balsthal region.

28 Schälis Mill Oberbuchsiten

Schälismühle 11, 4625 Oberbuchsiten Phone 079 410 01 87 Miller at the Schälis Mill www.schaelismuehle.ch

Events see website, reservations on request



Forum Schälis mill of the Gäu area with the Adam Zeltner House and the St. Jakob Chapel.

Castle Neu-Bechburg Oensingen

Castle Neu-Bechburg, 4702 Oensinger Phone 079 193 44 94 www.neu-bechburg.ch

Renting of halls and various public events Opening hours for groups on request



Castle built in 1250 by the barons of Bechburg, residential museum.

30 Operators of Historical Installations 37 Museum Frank Buchser Bettlach **Canton Solothurn** Bielstrasse 31, 2544 Bettlach, Phone 032 645 11 20

www.frank-buchser.ch Guided tours for groups of five or more on request Special offers for school classes Meet the famous Solothurn



www.museumgrenchen.ch

Guided tours available on request

32 Art Museum Grenchen

33 Artists' Archive Grenchen

Lebernstrasse 15 (near municipial yard)

34 Mazzini Memorial Grenchen

Bachtelenstrasse 24, Centre Bachtelen,

2540 Grenchen, Phone 032 654 85 11

Monday-Friday 2–5 p.m. or on request

35 Watchmaking school ZeitZentrum

36 Adamhaus Village Museum Bettlach

Jurastrasse 8, 2544 Bettlach, Phone 032 645 28 31

Guided tours on request (groups only)

www.historischer-verein-bettlach.ch

Opening hours on request

www.mazzinistiftung.ch

Guided tours on reques

Grenchen

www.zeitzentrum.ch

www.kunsthausgrenchen.ch

Sunday 11 a.m.-5 p.m

KUNSTHAU S

2540 Grenchen

Opening hours on request

www.kagre.ch

Bahnhofstrasse 53 (opposite Grenchen Süd railway

station), 2540 Grenchen, Phone 032 652 50 22

During exhibitions Wednesday-Saturday 2-5 p.m.,

Special offers for families and schools

Geissgässli 42, 4710 Balsthal

www.militaeranlagen-so.ch

Witnesses to military and regional history in the canton of Solothurn.

Interactive museum

about the history of

uest exhibitions.

industrialisation and

its impact on the town

and region of Grenchen,

museum café in the style

of the 1950s, special and

emporary exhibitions

extensive collection with

he diverse collection

gallery owner, art

diator and collector

oni Brechbühl comprises

some 10,000 paintings as

books, badges, maps and

well as several thousand

The Italian freedom fighte

(1805-1872) and his stay

at the Bachtelenbad.

Special watches and

Historic dwelling from

around 1900, old granary,

farm garden, temporary

exhibitions.

tools from the past and

Giuseppe Mazzini

hotographs.

of contemporary art,

a focus on prints.

38 Local History Society Selzach/Altreu 31 Cultural History Museum Grenchen Hans Bösch, Mannwilweg 10, 2545 Selzach Absyte 3, 2540 Grenchen, Phone 032 652 09 79

Phone 032 641 22 14 www.vereinortsgeschichteselzachaltreu.ch Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday 2-5 p.m.

Guided tours on request



unicipality of Selzach such as writings, photos, pictures, films etc., culture trail, barn as well as topics on the Passion performances and Passion 39 Dinosaur Museum Bellach

Collection on the

painter and adventurer

on his painting journeys

reviously unpublished

documents and anecdotes.

Outstanding works.

hrough three continents.

Römerstrasse 6, 4512 Bellach, Phone 079 602 39 52

www.sauriermuseum-bellach.ch Wednesday 1.30-5 p.m., Sunday 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Special opening hours see website



Experience exhibition for young and old. Our motto is hear, see and feel.

40 Archaeology in the Tenant's House Solothurn At the Blumenstein Museum, Blumensteinweg 12,

www.naturmuseum-so.ch 4500 Solothurn, Phone 032 626 93 93 www.museumpaechterhaus.ch Tuesday-Saturday 2-5 p.m., Sunday 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

The best finds from



the 2000-year history of the town and region of Solothurn.

41 Cathedral Treasury Solothurn

Hauptgasse 66, 4500 Solothurn Phone 032 622 19 91 or 079 814 52 05 (for guided

www.musesol.ch Guided tours on request



Ecclesiastical treasury within the St. Ursus Cathe dral Solothurn (1762-1773). The ecclesiastical goldsmith's work and textiles from the 15th to the 20th century are particularly precious.

42 Enter - World of Technology Solothurn

Gewerbestrasse 4, 4552 Derendingen Phone 032 621 80 52 www.enter.ch Sportstrasse 2, 2540 Grenchen, Phone 032 654 27 00

> Tuesday to Sunday 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Switzerland's largest inter-



active museum of analogue and digital technology displays a unique collection and allows all generations o experience the fastpaced development up to the present day.

43 Cabinet for Sentimental Trivia Literature Solothurn

Klosterplatz 7, 4500 Solothurn, Phone 032 626 46 46 www.trivialliteratur.ch Public guided tours every 7th of the month at 7 p.m.,

other opening hours on request

the French Revolution to the mid-20th century. Sentimental women's novels and magazines of the 19th century. Specialist literature on cultural history, fashion, and textiles.

44 Art Museum Solothurn

Werkhofstrasse 30, 4500 Solothurn Phone 032 626 93 80 www.kunstmuseum-so.ch Tuesday-Friday 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

m the late Middle Ages the present day. lighlights by Cuno Amiet. rdinand Hodler, Meret Oppenheim and Co. as well as wide range of special exhibitions

Inique collection of art

Blumensteinweg 12, 4500 Solothurn

45 Museum Blumenstein Solothurn

Phone 032 626 93 93 www.museumblumenstein.ch

Tuesday-Saturday 2-5 p.m., Sunday 10 a.m.-5 p.m Exciting insights into



the town and region of Solothurn.

the eventful history of

46 Old Arsenal Museum Solothurn

Zeughausplatz 1, 4500 Solothurn Phone 032 627 60 70 www.museum-alteszeughaus.ch

Tuesday-Saturday 1-5 p.m., Sunday 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Cultural history museum with a focus on military



collection of armour in Switzerland.

history and the largest

47 Museum of Natural History Solothurn Klosterplatz 2, 4500 Solothurn, Phone 032 622 70 21

Tuesday-Saturday 2-5 p.m., Sunday 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

Open in the morning for groups (by appointment) Wide range of activities



for school groups. Family riendly museum with local animals, plants, fossils and minerals. Attractive and newly designed exhibitions with many interactive

48 Stone Museum Solothurn

Hauptgasse 60, 4500 Solothurn, Phone 032 621 00 53 www.steinmuseum.ch

May to October, Tuesday-Saturday 2-5 p.m. Sunday 10 a.m.-5 p.m.



Stones that tell the story of Solothurn and document the art of stone working.

49 Waldegg Castle Feldbrunnen-St. Niklaus

Waldeggstrasse 1, 4532 Feldbrunnen-St. Niklaus Phone 032 627 63 63 schloss-waldegg.ch

April to October: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday 2-5 p.m., Sunday 10 a.m.-5 p.m., November and December: Sunday 10 a.m.-5 p.m

garden.



Permanent exhibition or the ambassadors and patricians of Solothurn 50 Emmen Canal Industrial Museum

ProSpecieRara kitchen

Solothurnstrasse 51, 4542 Luterbach Phone 032 682 38 40 www.musesol.ch

Opening hours on request Special programme for schools Industrial history on the

Luterbach

Emmen Canal, the oldest working power station in the canton (1888), large "Sulzer 1911" diesel engine, 68 tonnes in motion.

51 Castle Buchegg

Schlössli, 4586 Kyburg-Buchegg Untere Steingrubenstrasse 39, 4500 Solothurn 032 661 16 71 (guided tours) www.mundartforum.ch/mundartliteratur-archiv 078 826 29 45 (exhibitions) Visits by appointment only www.schlossbuchegg.ch Opening hours on request Buchegg Castle, exhibitions

f regional artists.

ormer summer residence

exhibitions a year with an

accompanying programm

(concerts, readings, art

Medieval tower house

grangries and a baking

house. Interactive exhibition

surrounded by five

of the von Roll family,

built in 1609. Six art

education).

52 Castle Biberist Vorder-Bleichenberg

Asylweg 15, 4562 Biberist, Phone 032 672 29 89

Wednesday and Thursday 4–7 p.m., Saturday and

53 Museum Wasseramt - Tower in Halten

www.schloesschen-biberist.ch

Sunday 2-5 p.m. (during exhibitions)



Archive in the Altwyberhüsli in Solothurn with over 2.300 books on Swiss German dialects: mainly literature in dialect, some linguistic (dialectological)

59 Bakelite Museum Breitenbach Passwangstrasse 35-4, 4226 Breitenbach

58 Dialect Literature Archive Solothurn

Phone 079 321 51 65 www.bakelit.ch



made of Bakelite plastic on 160 m² in the BRAC plastic

Saturday and Sunday 2–5 p.m.

More than 10.000 objects



on rural life in the 19th and 20th centuries in the

Spiegelbergstrasse 1a, 4566 Halter

May to September: Sunday 1-5 p.m.

2 temporary exhibitions per year

www.museum-wasseramt.ch

Phone 032 675 25 93 / 079 427 52 02

Possible rent of grounds and tower room

54 Kosciuszko Museum Solothurn Gurzelnaasse 12, 4500 Solothurr Phone 032 622 80 56

www.kosciuszko-solothurn.ch



Polish freedom fighter Tadeusz Kosciuszko (1746-1817), who lived and died in this house from 1814 to 1817. The museum displays a wealth of documents, pictures and objects.

55 Glutz Manufacture Solothurn

Segetzstrasse 13, 4500 Solothurn Phone 032 625 65 20 www.glutz.com/ch/de/manufaktur Guided tours on request



furniture fittings, cowbells and art objects in brass and bronze made in the raditional sand casting process. Two museum ooms with historical fittings and a model floor with around 12,000 objects from the Baroque to the modern

Manufacture of door and

56 MOTRAC Museum Welschenrohr

Phone 032 530 80 94 www.motrac-museum.ch April to November: Every first Sunday of the month

Malsen 85, 4716 Welschenrohr

mower as well as equipment and other agricultural tools.

Archive of the Association Klus Falkensteinerstrasse 8, 4710 Balsthal

www.buergergemeinde-balsthal.ch Visit to the archive by appointment Archive of historical photos

and postcards.

COLLECTIONS IN THE **CANTON OF**

MUSEUMS

SOLOTHURN

As of: November 2023