An Evening of Cinematic Wonder and Creative Exchange with Swiss Artist Hannes Schüpbach

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Cinematic Dialogue: An Evening of Artistic Discovery with Swiss Artist Hannes Schüpbach

An art salon is a lively gathering where artists and art lovers come together to share their creative passions and have conversations about art. They talk about what inspires them and audiences get to explore and appreciate different kinds of art. People dive into the stories behind the art, making connections and discovering new ways of seeing and appreciating art. Art salon is a unique platform for creating moments that spark artistic curiosity.

For Immediate Release:

Embassy of Switzerland in India, Consulate General of Switzerland in Mumbai, Square Works Laboratory (SqW:Lab), and **Avid Learning** present **Art in Motion: A Cinematic Evening With Hannes Schüpbach**. The special evening will see the screening of the 16mm film ***Essais*** (2020) by *Swiss Visual Artist, Filmmaker, and Writer* **Hannes Schüpbach** followed by a conversation between Hannes and *Independent Curator and Writer* **Veeranganakumari Solanki**.

In his latest film, Essais, Schüpbach explores how people move from one gesture to another, capturing how they move and act in their unique ways. The central protagonist in the film is dancer Kira Blazek. The film blends her experimental movements with what others are doing. What ties everything together is her curiosity to try new things, each one shaping and influencing the others. The visuals don't follow a straight timeline; instead, they smoothly shift using black transitions, creating a mesmerizing and continuous movement. This flow feels like remembering something—a repeated rhythm that connects what we see and hear, like going back to a memory.

Following the film screening, Veerangana will engage in an insightful conversation with Hannes, exploring the film's subtleties, its core themes, and Hannes' creative approach. Their discussion will span various areas, including artistic connections and influences, how audiences interact with films, the intriguing concept of art and self-experimentation, glimpses into Hannes's upcoming works and future projects, and the inspiring origins behind the accompanying book.

This art salon evening unique evening marks the next chapter in Avid Learning's artistic partnership with the Embassy of Switzerland in India and the Consulate General of Switzerland in Mumbai. Last year in September, we celebrated **75 years of friendship between two nations** presenting an extraordinary collaboration between the **Indian Navy Band and the Swiss Armed Forces Brass Band** coming together for the first time on the Royal Opera House Stage. These joint endeavors stand as a testament to the strength of the diplomatic ties, cultural exchanges, and respect for each other's heritage.

Where: Consulate General of Switzerland in Mumbai, 400021

When: Wednesday, 10th January 2024 | 6:30 PM – 8:00 PM
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