

Parlamentsdienste

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1 August 2016 Open Day programme



THE POLITICAL PARLIAMENT BUILDING

Discussion with Christa Markwalder, President of the National Council, and Raphaël Comte, President of the Council of States. Moderated by Philippe Flück, journalist for the Swiss News Agency.
Discussion with the public in the National Council chamber: 10-11am.

THE HISTORIC PARLIAMENT BUILDING

The team of guides reveals interesting information about the Parliament Building.
Council of States chamber: 11am in German and Italian, 14pm in German and French.
National Council chamber: 12 pm in German and French, 1pm in German and Italian, 3pm and 4pm in German and French.
Tours take about 20 minutes.



The Fantastic Parliament

Copies of the book are available at the welcome desk at the south entrance (Bundesterrasse). Special National Day price: CHF 5.



“BERNER BERÜHMTHEITEN” in the FEDERAL PALACE

Swiss dialect/German:

From 11.45 am to 14 pm, at various locations in the Federal Palace, actors from the StattLand theatre group will portray famous personalities such as first president of the Swiss Confederation Jonas Furrer, Grand Duchess Anna Feodorovna and chocolate maker Rodolphe Lindt, and tell their stories about life in Bern.



MUSIC in the PARLIAMENT BUILDING

Details of the music programme are available at the information desk in the domed hall and at the south entrance.

- ♪ “ZusammenSpiel”
- ♪ “Conservatoire de musique neuchâtelais”



TWO VIDEOS

Committee room 286: In the film ‘Zimmer 286’ (‘Room 286’), Committee Secretary Urs Hänsenberger describes the work done by the National Council’s Social Security and Health Committee – an important part of Parliament’s work. (14 min.)



Committee room 3: “Erklär mir das Parlament” video (in German, 4 min.)

Committee room 4: “Parlons du Parlement” video (in French, 4 min.)

Committee room 5: “Parliamo del Parlamento” video (in Italian, 4 min.)



The **ZEITUNGSZIMMER CAFÉ** is open!



Swiss National Anthem

Verse 1

When the morning skies grow red,
and over us their radiance shed
Thou, O Lord, appeareth in their light
When the Alps glow bright with splendour,
Pray to God, to Him surrender
For you feel and understand
that He dwelleth in this land.

Verse 2

In the sunset Thou art night
and beyond the starry sky
Thou, O loving father, ever near,

When to Heaven we are departing
Joy and bliss Thou'lt be imparting
For we feel and understand
that Thou dwellest in this land.

Verse 3

When dark clouds enshroud the hills
and grey mist the valley fills
Yet Thou art not hidden from thy sons
Pierce the gloom in which we cower
with Thy sunshine's cleansing power
Then we'll feel and understand
that God dwelleth in this land.

Source: <http://www.admin.ch/org/polit/00055/index.html?lang=de>