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We hope you got off to a GOOD start in the new year? With family, friends or acquaintances? NEW YEAR, new energy, new plans: e.g. spending a few days in the CULTURAL CAPITAL of VIENNA...

All the great museums in Vienna are open again! Schönbrunn Palace and much more... The TWO-STORY ice skating rink in front of the Vienna City Hall has just been opened for sports enthusiasts!

Schönbrunn Zoo has also just been voted the BEST zoo in Europe! Did you know that the Schönbrunn elephants can now enjoy our Christmas trees?!

"Our Hotel AUSTRIA - Christmas Party"



After difficult weeks and months, the covid rules have allowed us to hold a Christmas party on a small scale. What better place to hold it than in our Hotel Austria breakfast room with its magnificently decorated Christmas tree and unique Advent wreath around our fountain?

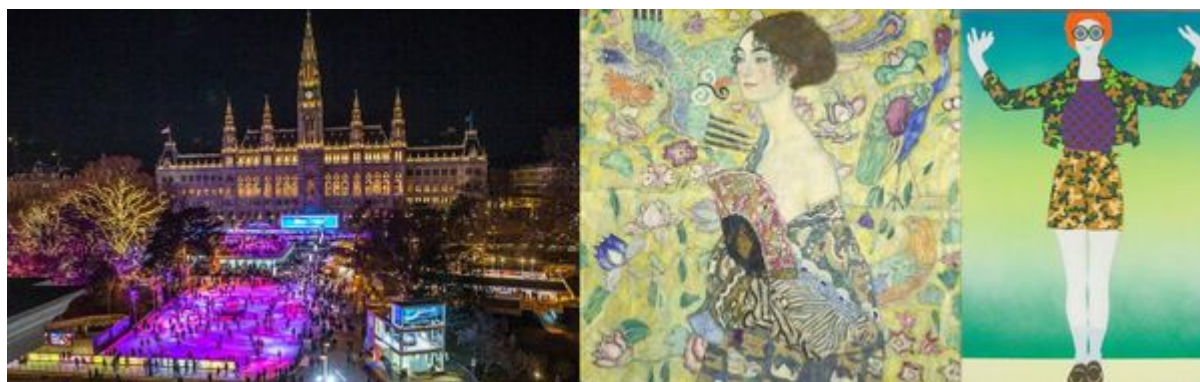
Our team enjoyed a few carefree hours, gathering strength with an excellent Buffet with Austrian and Mediterranean delicacies. A magician's show made it a very "enchanted" evening that we will all remember for a long time.

"SIMBAD - Ms Vehida's cat soon to appear on TV!"



Our Mrs. VEHIDA owns a beautiful WHITE tomcat! He even gets to ride the metro! On the shoulder of his master! A lot of passengers are totally fascinated by him. Now Simbad was even filmed by RTL in Mrs. Vehida's home, in the tramway and in the metro!

„Current and upcoming EVENTS in Vienna in Winter 2022"



Interested in music, theater, the opera, museums, and exhibitions?

We'll be happy to keep you **informed** about **all the dates / schedules** and perhaps even let you in on **a few secrets** too...

Vienna Ice World



From January until March, City Hall Square transforms into a huge ice rink and thrills ice-skating enthusiasts of every age. The Vienna Ice World is one of the biggest open-air artificial ice rinks in the world – and on no fewer than two levels! Special safety precautions apply this year.

The idyllically illuminated facade of City Hall forms the fairytale backdrop for Vienna Ice World. An 9,500 m² ice landscape delivers entertaining winter enjoyment for skating fans of every age. A special experience is the Sky Rink, a skating terrace on the first floor with a 120 meter-long ramp. Where else do you have the possibility to race over the ice on two levels? Both families and sporty visitors who are seeking action on the ice will get their money's worth here. Every day from 10.00 am to until 10.00, fantastically wild or sweepingly elegant loops can be turned to popular music hits and to some sounds of the waltz.

Winding through the romantically illuminated City Hall Park is a magical ice path that thrills beginners and professionals alike with its countless routes. There are 2,000 pairs of ice skates (all pre-heated with warm air) for rent on site. Lockers are available for any items of clothing or shoes that you don't need while skating.

If you buy your admission ticket online, you can go straight onto the ice contactlessly. A mask must be worn throughout the site – except when practicing sport. Admission only with proof of vaccination or recovery (2G).

Vienna Ice World

January 19 – March 6, 2022

Daily from 10.00 am – 10.00 pm

Discount with the Vienna City Card

Information and online tickets at www.wienereistraum.com

Klimt's "Lady with Fan" returns to Vienna



The last, largely completed painting by the Viennese artist icon Gustav Klimt can be seen again in Vienna after more than 100 years. The Belvedere is showing "Lady with Fan" as part of a special exhibition on the final phase of Klimt's work.

It was the last picture that Gustav Klimt (1862-1918) worked on in his studio in Vienna-Hietzing in 1917. Apart from a few details, the co-founder of the Vienna Secession was able to complete Lady with Fan before his death. It shows one of Klimt's favorite subjects – a "beautiful Viennese woman". However, not some society lady – a frequent motif in Klimt's work – but a supposedly unknown dancer, looking confidently into the distance and holding a fan in front of her upper body. In any case, this is "unadorned Klimt": because the work was never covered with the special protective layer, the varnish, usually found on oil paintings.

The painting, which has now returned to Vienna for a while for a special exhibition at the Belvedere, has a moving journey behind it. To date, the Lady with Fan was accessible to the Viennese public just one single time: in 1920, in an exhibition in today's MAK – Museum of Applied Arts, Vienna. In the meantime, the painting was in the possession of art collector Rudolf Leopold (founder of the Leopold Museum). It was exhibited in the 1980s and 1990s in Tokyo and Krakow, before it was auctioned off in New York in 1994. In the 1980s and 1990s, it was exhibited in Tokyo and Krakow, before it was auctioned off in New York in 1994. It was never explained whether its removal from Austria was even legal. In order to bring it to Vienna, the Republic of Austria granted the anonymous foreign owner immunity from prosecution.

The first part of this special exhibition focused on many of Klimt's late works. These included Lady with Fan, The Bride, Portrait of Amalie Zuckerkandl, Adam and Eve and Portrait of a Lady in White. In October 2021, a second aspect was added to the exhibition: Klimt's affinity with East Asian art styles. These exerted a fascination on him from as early as the 1890s. Chinese and Japanese art in particular also left their mark on Lady with Fan. That is evident from numerous elements: From the Chinese robe worn by the subject to the characteristic motifs on the yellow wallpaper, like the Chinese phoenix, a crane, a golden pheasant, and a lotus flower. These are motifs that are everywhere to be found in East Asian art.

Lady with Fan. Gustav Klimt and East-Asia

March 25, 2021 – February 13, 2022

Double the enjoyment on the triple anniversary



The mumok – Museum of Modern Art Ludwig Foundation Vienna is celebrating three anniversaries all at once. For this, there are two new exhibitions: visitors to the MuseumsQuartier can look forward to the combined power of contemporary art with the large collection show "Enjoy" and a solo exhibition on Heimo Zobernig.

The mumok - museum of modern art ludwig foundation vienna is currently celebrating three of its own anniversaries: 40 years of the Ludwig Foundation (the collection of the married couple Peter and Irene Ludwig forms the core of the collection), 20 years of residence in Vienna's MuseumsQuartier, and ten years of the director Karola

Kraus. Which should, of course, be celebrated. With a best-of: Enjoy – the mumok Collection in Change shows the central donations and purchases of the last decade until April 2022. The special exhibition extends almost throughout the entire building. Chronologically arranged – from classical Modernism to contemporary art.

Enjoy stands for a colorful mix: both established and up-and-coming artists, solo and group presentations. The focus is on highlighting development and changeability – of the museum, of art, and of society in general. Because the anniversary show is far more than a retrospective: it wants to offer the public a summary and an outlook all in one. New perspectives are intended to facilitate discussions, which can be used as the basis on which to design future collection and exhibition activities of the museum.

Enjoy - the mumok Collection in Change

June 19, 2021 - April 18, 2022