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Exhibition

The Odyssey of Lake Neuchâtel

From the Ice Age to Last Summer

A Joyful Exhibition by Plonk & Replonk Zbigl!

AUGUST 28, 2025 TO APRIL 30, 2026

For the past three years, the Hôtel Palafitte has been showcasing the finest artistic talents from the canton of Neuchâtel. This commitment is deeply rooted in the mission of this unique and extraordinary place. Designed as a one-of-a-kind architectural object, the Palafitte becomes a space for art and storytelling, a place of ideal conviviality.

As the only hotel on stilts in Europe, it offers a full immersion in the beauty of Lake Neuchâtel, ever-present and captivating. **This lake is at the heart of the upcoming exhibition: "The Odyssey of Lake Neuchâtel" by Plonk & Replonk Zbigl!,** a Swiss collective known for their absurd and retro-fantastical visual humor..

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Presented both along the lakeshore and within the hotel's interior spaces, **this series of images irreverently revisits an imaginary and whimsical history of the lake** — from prehistoric pile dwellings to Belle Époque holidays, not to mention wintertime mermaid infestations, pleasure boat pirates, and overly meticulous customs officers.

A parallel world unfolds — funny and disorienting — broadening the horizon of the lake and giving it the oceanic dimension it truly deserves. Among the curiosities on display: the highly fashionable "tear baths of Neuchâtel", 19th-century romantic-novel cures that once caused quite a stir...With its international reputation and mastery of visual subversion, the collective makes **this exhibition a must-see cultural event — the perfect addition to an unforgettable lakeside getaway.**

And to conclude your "Odyssey," don't miss the promise of a culinary escape at **La Table du Palafitte,** where refined creativity meets local products and travel-inspired flavors. Our Chef, **Ludovic Pigeat**, welcomes you daily, for lunch and dinner, in a truly idyllic setting.



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Save the Dates 2025 Highlights

La Paulée de l'Automne

20 nov.

A winemakers' celebration on the lake.
At aperitif time and throughout dinner, regional winemakers will present their finest vintages. A convivial evening of sharing, tasting, and celebrating wine in all its vibrancy and generosity, accompanied by a warm, autumnal menu.

An Enchanted Christmas… on the Water

05 &06 dec.

Experience the festive season like never before.
Enjoy the signature creations of Chef Pigeat, discover the expertise of local producers and artisans, and let yourself be swept away by a joyful, musical ambiance.
Gather with loved ones around the oyster bar, while children delight in creative workshops and a visit from Santa Claus.

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