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## **FONDATION PIERRE GIANADDA & FONDATION BARRY, Prides Of MARTIGNY (Switzerland)**

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**PIERRE GIANADDA FOUNDATION** : In the spring of 1976, the engineer Léonard Gianadda discovered the remains of a Gallo-Roman Temple on a plot of Land he owned. He decided to set up a Foundation that would preserve the memory of his brother, who died in the aftermath of a plane crash while seeking help for his fellow survivors.

Today, the Foundation stages 3 Art Exhibitions a year, with works of Art coming from Private Collections and from the world's major Museums. The Gardens are open for a stroll through the Sculpture Park, and to see the Gallo-Roman remains. The main Archeological Relics discovered during the excavations in Martigny are in Exhibition at the Gallo-Roman Museum, and some fifty Vintage Cars can be seen in the Automobile Museum. The Foundation also houses the Louis and Evelyn Frank Collection, as well as a space dedicated to the Inventions of Leonardo Da Vinci.

Organized in Partnership with the Musée Marmottan Monet in Paris & Munchmuseet in Oslo, an Exhibition is held from February 3 until June 11, 2017 titled 'Hodler, Monet, Munch Painting The Impossible'. With more than 60 Paintings by the Swiss Painter Ferdinand Hodler (1853-1918), the French Painter Claude Monet (1840-1926) and the Norwegian Painter Edvard Munch (1863-1944). Why bring them together ? The three of them, even though they have never met, have tried to paint with the same constancy until the limit of despair motifs which seemed to be impossible.

**BARRYLAND - MUSEE ET CHIENS DU SAINT-BERNARD** : The museum is housed in the former military Warehouse adjacent to the Roman Amphitheatre. It is the Home of an array of Artifacts and Documents that tell the story of the Saint Bernard Dogs. The Exhibitions are dedicated to highlighting this legacy and promoting the famous Saint Bernard Dog as a Universal Icon. The Area reserved for the Saint Bernard Dogs is linked to an outdoor enclosure in a wooded Park where the dogs can romp about and be watched by the public.

The 'Musée et Chiens du Saint Bernard' Saint Bernard Museum was founded in 2006 by the Bernard and Caroline de Watteville Foundation. It has been managed by the Barry Foundation since the middle of 2014. The Hospice Dogs represent the main attraction. The ground floor consists of the Kennels, Boxes and an Area for looking after the dogs.

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