

## Activities

During our stay, we will be hosting and organizing the following activities at the Ethnographic Museum at the University of Zurich.

Meet us during the museum opening hours or visit our special events.

### Daily talks

In our daily talks, we will be discussing topics which are relevant to today's Kawésqar society. A detailed list of topics can be found on the museum website.

### Guided tours & exchange with visitors

Get to know the ancestral territory and heritage of the ancient canoe nomads and their new generations through the story and the objects of the Kawésqar culture in an exhibition.

### Craft workshops

Come learn about one of the most renowned Kawésqar activities: rush plant braiding. Basket braiding is passed down through the generations. In its materialized form, a basket also contains the intangible heritage of the Kawésqar which is kept alive by a dozen women artisans in Chile. They offer to share their practical knowledge with you in Zurich.

### Children's activities

During museum opening hours, children can engage with us and our culture in the following activities:

- Come discover the flora and fauna of Patagonia and learn their names in the Kawésqar language through painting
- Acquire basic language skills in Kawésqar, learn the colors, numbers and the alphabet
- Learn how Kawésqar children make small canoes out of tree bark – using the skills their elders have taught them

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### Opening hours

Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday 10–17h, Thursday 10–19h, Saturday 14–17h, Sunday 11–17h, closed on Mondays; entry and events are free.

Celina Llanllán Catalán.  
Photo: Steffa Marquez, 2019.

# Ko Aswál

*The next day*



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# Ko Aswál - The next day

Encountering the Kawésqar  
from Southern Chile

We, Kawésqar representatives from Southern Chile, invite the Zurich public to come and meet with us. We want to share with you our cultural knowledge, the heritage of the old canoe nomads, and tell you about the life of the new Kawésqar generations. We will take you on guided tours, present our material culture, offer craft workshops and invite you to enter into conversation with us. During the following three weeks we will be hosted at the Ethnographic Museum at the University of Zurich and look forward to seeing you there:

18–23 July 2023

25–30 July 2023

29 August–3 September 2023

A detailed program of our activities is presented in this brochure.

On behalf of the Kawésqar delegation and the Pueblo Kawésqar Foundation.

Most sincerely,  
**Francisco González**

The Embassy of Chile in Switzerland values the existence of different ethnic groups as an essential part of the roots of the Chilean Nation. We cherish their integrity and development, in accordance with their customs and values.

On this occasion, we are happy and proud to share our cultural diversity with you.

Most sincerely,  
**Frank Tressler**  
Ambassador of Chile to Switzerland

## Schedule

	11–12	14–15	15–17	Extras
18.7.	Guided tour	Daily talk: Kawésqar, nomadic canoers	–	18:30 • Welcome ceremony
19.7.	Guided tour	Daily talk: Europeans in Kawésqar territory	Craft workshop	–
20.7.	Guided tour	Daily talk: Kawésqar livelihoods	Craft workshop	17:30 • Film screening
21.7.	Guided tour	Guided tour	–	–
22.7.	–	–	Guided tour	16:00 • Daily talk: Keeping tradition alive
23.7.	Guided tour	Daily talk: Kawésqar language	Craft workshop	–
25.7.	Guided tour	Daily talk: Innovative cultural projects	Craft workshop	–
26.7.	Guided tour	Daily talk: Rush plant basketry project	Craft workshop	–
27.7.	Guided tour	Daily talk: Wild protected areas	Craft workshop	17:30 • Film screening
28.7.	Guided tour	Daily talk: Wildlife conservation	Craft workshop	–
29.7.	–	Daily talk: Threats to sea and land conservation	–	–
30.7.	Guided tour	Daily talk: Wetlands and southern icefields	Craft workshop	–
29.8.	Daily talk: Kawésqar, nomadic canoers	Daily talk: Europeans in Kawésqar territory	–	18:30 • Official ceremony
30.8.	Daily talk: Kawésqar livelihoods	Daily talk: Keeping tradition alive	Craft workshop	–
31.8.	Daily talk: Kawésqar language	Daily talk: Innovative cultural projects	Craft workshop	17:30 • Film screening
1.9.	Daily talk: Rush plant basketry project	Daily talk: Wild protected areas	Craft workshop	–
2.9.	–	Guided tour	–	18–2 • Long Night of Zurich Museums
3.9.	Daily talk: Wetlands and southern icefields	Daily talk: Threats to land and sea conservation	Closing activity	–