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INSECTA, the insect kingdom at the Royal Palace

As it does every year, the Royal Palace in Brussels will be opening its doors to the general public over the summer for a new exhibition on the theme of Science and Culture at the Palace. So why not take the chance to look around this fabled location free of charge and learn more about the insect kingdom?

Entomology and art unite in this unique exhibition focusing on insects. These small creatures are both fascinating and repulsive, yet have been a tremendous source of inspiration for artists. INSECTA is therefore an opportunity to bring together science in various areas and showcase a judicious choice of exceptional works alongside their entomological models, supplied by Belgian federal scientific establishments.

This new summer exhibition will enable you to discover the many representations of insects in art, literature and cinema. Visitors will also be able to admire the famous *Heaven of Delight* by the renowned Antwerp artist Jan Fabre, which was installed in 2002 and today still decorates the ceiling of the Hall of Mirrors with thousands of beetles.

This exhibition, developed in partnership with the Chancellery of the Prime Minister and the Belgian Federal Science Policy Office, also provides an opportunity to raise visitors' awareness of science and research and for the general public to view some of the less well-known collections in the federal archives.

Royal Palace, Place des Palais, Brussels; admission free of charge. Open to the public from 22 July until 6 September 2015, from 10.30 a.m. to 4.30 p.m. – closed on Mondays.

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