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This year crowds at **Art Basel** (in Basel) will have handy venue for post-fair drinks: New York dealers **Adam Lindemann** and **Paul Kasmin** will be operating **Confiserie Copley** at **Marktplatz 19**, offering hot chocolate and cognac for art-lovers weary from fairtigue every evening from June 10-15, from 6pm-1am.

The project is a collaboration between the two dealers and the oldest chocolate shop and café in Basel, **Confiserie Schiesser**, which has been in operation since 1870. It coincides with a major **William Copley exhibition** at Lindemann's gallery **Venus Over Manhattan**. A bas-relief version of Copley's 1959 painting "Villa Rosa" will be featured on chocolates given out at **Confiserie Schiesser**, with the café also offering kirsh in rooms featuring custom-made wallpaper derived from Copley's works, and a mini-show of eight of his paintings.

In terms of free art fair eats, the gallery-owning gourmand's offering of cognac and hot chocolate, though by no means seasonally appropriate (why not chocolate ice cream?), is certainly a step up from the walnuts supplied by **Jennifer Rubell's nude woman nutcracker** last year at **Frieze New York** — especially if Lindemann and Kasmin's hot cocoa and cognac are served up via a similarly risqué vessel.

— Benjamin Sutton