



**Invitation to the Press Conference
22 April 2009**

**Encounters with Modern Art
The Kunstmuseum Winterthur
24 April – 23 August 2009**

This summit of leading modernist artists provides a veritable feast of outstanding paintings and sculptures – and offers the chance to trace the development from Impressionism to contemporary art through this unique collection of around 240 paintings, sculptures and drawings. This remarkable exhibition at the Art and Exhibition Hall in Bonn, on show from 24 April to 23 August, comprises works from the Winterthur Art Museum by a range of artists whose names seem to read like a "Who's Who" of the art world: Arp, Artschwager, Beckmann, Bonnard, Brancusi, Braque, Calder, Cézanne, de Chirico, Delacroix, Delaunay, Dégas, Ernst, Fontana, Giacometti, van Gogh, Guston, Hodler, Kandinsky, Kelly, Kokoschka, Kounellis, Léger, Lehbruck, Magritte, Maillol, Merz, Miró, Mondrian, Monet, Morandi, Picasso, Renoir, Richter, Rodin, Schlemmer, Sisley, Tanguy, Tapiès and many more. The exceptional collection of the Winterthur Art Museum, offering a complete overview of the period, can be favourably compared to the collections at internationally renowned museums such as the Guggenheim or the Museum of Modern Art. Gerhard Richter even named the Winterthur Art Museum as his favourite museum.

**The press conference will be held on 22 April 2009 at 11.00 a.m. in the
Art and Exhibition Hall of the Federal Republic of Germany.**

Participant of the Press Conference:

- Robert Fleck, *Director, Art and Exhibition Hall of the Federal Republic of Germany*
- Dieter Schwarz, *Director Kunstmuseum Winterthur and Curator*
- Christoph Vitali, *Curator*
- Maja Majer-Wallat, *Press Officer, Art and Exhibition Hall of the Federal Republic of Germany*

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We are looking forward to your visit.

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