

BUNDESKUNSTHALLE

Invitation to a Media Conference
Thursday, 4 May 2017, **3.30 p.m.**

COMICS! MANGAS! GRAPHIC NOVELS!

7 May to 10 September 2017

With more than 300 exhibits from the United States, Europe and Japan, *Comics! Mangas! Graphic Novels!* is the most comprehensive exhibition about the genre to be held in Germany. The comic was the first visual mass medium in history. By the end of the nineteenth century, the major American daily newspapers brought it to millions of readers – day in, day out, and in colour on Sundays. Series like Winsor McCay's *Little Nemo in Slumberland* or George Herriman's *Krazy Kat* bear witness to the abiding cultural significance of the medium. With the rise of the comic book and the superheroes in the early 1930s, the first media-related youth culture developed around the comic – long before the advent of rock 'n' roll. In the 1960s, thanks to artists like Robert Crumb or Will Eisner and figures like Asterix or Barbarella, the comic once again began to attract an older readership. In the wake of the cultural upheaval of 1968, the comic came to be seen as the 'ninth art', and with the phenomenon of the graphic novel, we now witness the discovery of its hitherto ignored literary potential. At the same time, manga has established itself as a global phenomenon.

We cordially invite you to a media conference on Thursday, 4 May 2017,
3.30 p.m. The exhibition opens at **2 p.m.**

Participants:

- Rein Wolfs, Director of the Bundeskunsthalle
- Alexander Braun, Curator of the exhibition
- Andreas C. Knigge, Curator of the exhibition
- Ulrich Best, Exhibition Manager, Bundeskunsthalle
- Sven Bergmann, Press Officer of the Bundeskunsthalle

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We look forward to seeing you.

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KATHARINA SIEVERDING

Art and capital. From 1967 to 2017
until 16 July 2017

FERDINAND HODLER

Early modern artist
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Ancient culture between water and desert
until 20 August 2017

WEATHER REPORT

About weather culture and climate science
7 October 2017 to 4 March 2018

THE PERSIAN GARDEN

The invention of paradise
until 15 August 2017

DOSSIER GURLITT

Nazi Art Theft and its Consequences
3 November 2017 to 11 March 2018

ALEKSANDRA DOMANOVIĆ

2 June to 24 September 2017

FEDERAL PRIZE FOR ART STUDENTS

10 November 2017 to 28 January 2018