



MOC AK Museum of Contemporary Art in Krakow

Director's Choice

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- Incisive commentary illuminates complex works for all readers, whatever their previous engagement with contemporary art
- The vast majority of the works featured are by living artists, giving the book a fresh and vivid appeal
- New colour photography captures the detail in the diverse range of mediums shown

MOC AK Museum of Contemporary Art in Krakow, which opened on 19 May 2011, is the first post-war institution in Poland founded and purpose-built for the presentation of international contemporary art. The Museum's vibrant programme extends beyond its physical boundaries, and had included exhibitions in venues across Poland and in wider Europe, from the MAXXI – Museo Nazionale delle Arti del XXI Secolo – to the Center for Persecuted Arts in Solingen, the Semperoper Dresden, Kunstmuseum Gelsenkirchen, the Exhibition and Conference Centre LITEXPO in Vilnius and the Palace of Art in Lviv. This selection, chosen by the Director herself, is the perfect introduction to this diverse collection. Her incisive commentary elucidates the complex works displayed and grants new and thought-provoking insights into the work and workings of contemporary artists.

Maria Anna Potocka (b. 1950) has been the Director of the MOC AK Museum of Contemporary Art in Krakow since 2010. She is the founder of four art galleries, the creator of an international art collection (1973-2010, donated to MOC AK) and the curator of numerous exhibitions. She has authored many books and theoretical texts and is a member of the IKG, AICA, ICOM and SPP.

