



## Bigger

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- 80 captivating portraits of "bigger men"
- Makes underrepresented individuals visible
- Emphasizes the importance of self-acceptance and self-love

In recent years, the media's portrayal of "bigger men" has gradually evolved. However, many men, especially gay men, still experience insecurity and a lack of self-confidence because they rarely see themselves reflected in the media. The societal stigma surrounding body size and appearance can lead to depression and a destructive cycle of self-doubt. Photographer Joseph Wolfgang Ohlert's **Bigger** project challenges societal norms and invites us to celebrate the beauty of all body types. By showcasing the diversity of larger individuals, the project emphasizes the importance of self-acceptance and self-love.

The book features around 80 captivating portraits and offers a glimpse into the lives and experiences of men who have long been underrepresented in the media. With a natural and matter-of-fact approach, Ohlert skillfully captures the beauty and variety of bodies that deserve admiration and recognition.

Text in English and German.

Portrait-photographer and artist **Joseph Wolfgang Ohlert** was born in 1991 in Bavaria in Germany. He did various internships working in the set design department of movie productions and theaters as well as an assistant director. In 2012 he began his studies at the renowned Ostkreuz School of Photography, from which he graduated in 2015. His work is being published and exhibited in group and solo shows around the world. Early 2016 he self published his first photobook *Gender as a Spectrum* which has received a great amount of media attention. Parallel to his work in the photographic field he has most recently dedicated himself more strongly to artistic projects. In 2017 he opened his own gallery/studio space P7 GALLERY in Berlin.