



Czech Interwar Modern

50 Masterpieces from the Collections of the Gallery of West Bohemia in Pilsen

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The collection of Czech interwar modern art at the Gallery of West Bohemia in Pilsen presents a wide spectrum of artistic trends from 1918 to 1938, from early pre-WWI Modernism, Expressionism and Poetism to avant-garde experiments and Surrealism. Great attention is also paid to social art and the so-called New Objectivity.

The collection, built up mainly in the 1960s and 1970s by the Gallery's first director, Oldřich Kuba (and expanded ever since), includes works by personalities such as Josef Šima, Jindřich Štyrský, Toyen, František Muzika, Jan Zrzavý, Václav Špála, Emil Filla, Josef Čapek, Bohumil Kubišta, František Tichý, Otakar Coubine, Antonín Procházka and others.

The forthcoming publication offers a wealth of visual material in the form of reproductions of all the works included, together with interpretative texts introducing their authors and explaining the origin and content of the works and their significance in a broader cultural and historical context.

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