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The collections of the Timișoara National Museum of Art trace their origins to the original Banat Museum founded in 1872 by Zsigmond Ormós, a great scholar and collector of the time.

In 2006 Timișoara National Museum of Art was officially opened in its current form, housed in the splendid Baroque Palace on the city's Union Square. Its collections include important works by Romanian master painter Corneliu Baba, an impressive contemporary art collection, decorative arts, and collections of Banatian, Romanian and European art from the 17th to the 20th century.

In recognition of its status as one of the country's finest art museums, in December 2020 it was designated a Museum of National Importance. The Museum will be a key visitor attraction during Timișoara's year as European Capital of Culture in 2023.

Other titles by Director Victor Neumann – *The Banat of Timișoara*, *The Temptation of Homo Europaeus*, and *Kin, People or Nation?*

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