

Max Ernst

BORN IN BRÜHL, GERMANY, 1891

DIED IN PARIS, FRANCE, 1976

Selected Solo Exhibitions

- 2024 "Max Ernst: Surreal Mindscapes & Characters," Maui Arts & Cultural Center, Kahului, HI
- 2022–23 "Max Ernst," Palazzo Reale, Milan, Italy
- 2020 "Max Ernst: Collages," Kasmin, New York, NY
- 2017 "Max Ernst: Beyond Painting," The Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY
"Max Ernst: 'Big Brother' Teaching Staff for a School of Murderers," Paul Kasmin Gallery, New York, NY
- 2015 "Max Ernst: Paramyths, Sculpture 1934 – 1967," Paul Kasmin Gallery, New York, NY
- 2013 "Max Ernst: Retrospective," Albertina, Vienna, Austria
- 2008 "Max Ernst: Dream and Revolution," Moderna Museet, Stockholm, Sweden and Louisiana Museum of Modern Art, Humlebaek, Sweden
- 2005 "Max Ernst: A Retrospective," The Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York, NY
- 2000 "Max Ernst: Esculturas," Árpád Szenes-Vieira da Silva Foundation, Lisbon, Portugal
- 1999 "Max Ernst: Die Retrospektive," National Galerie Berlin, Germany
- 1998 "Max Ernst: Sculptures, Maisons, Paysages," Centre Pompidou, Paris, France and Kunstsammlung Nordrhein-Westfalen, Düsseldorf, Germany
- 1996 "Max Ernst: Sculpture 1929-1974, Frottages, Photographs," Yorkshire Sculpture Park, Wakefield, England
"Max Ernst: Sculture," Castello di Rivoli Museo d'Arte Contemporanea, Milan, Italy
- 1993 "Max Ernst: Dada and the Dawn of Surrealism," Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY
- 1992 "Max Ernst: The sculpture," Newport Harbor Art Museum, Newport Beach, CA; University Art Museum, University of California at Berkeley and Indiana Museum of Art, Indianapolis
- 1991 "Max Ernst: Retrospective," The Tate Gallery, London, United Kingdom; Staatsgalerie, Stuttgart, Germany; Kunstsammlung Nordrhein-Westfalen, Düsseldorf, Germany and Centre Georges Pompidou, Paris, France
- 1989 "Max Ernst: Paintings, Sculptures, Works on Paper," Runkel-Hue-Williams, London, United Kingdom
- 1987 "Max Ernst: Sculpture, 1934-1974," The Capricorn Trust, New York, NY
- 1986 "Max Ernst," Fundación Juan March, Madrid, Spain
- 1984 "Max Ernst: Fragments of Capricorn and other Sculpture," Arnold Herstand & Company, New York, NY
"Master of Modern and Contemporary Sculpture," Marlborough, New York, NY
- 1983 "Max Ernst," Fondation Maeght, Saint Paul, France
- 1982 "XIX & XX Century Master Paintings," Acquavella Galleries, New York, NY
- 1981 "Sculpture du XXe siècle, 1900-1945: Traditions et Ruptures," Fondation Maeght, Saint Paul, France
- 1980 "Max Ernst from the Collection of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Ernst," Glenbow Museum, Calgary, Canada
"Max Ernst: Ausstellung im Bundeskanzleramt," Bundeskanzleramt, Berlin, Germany
- 1979 "Max Ernst: Retrospektive 1979," Haus der Kunst, Munich, Germany
- 1977 "Max Ernst," The Seibu Museum of Art, Tokyo, Japan and Hyogo Prefectural Museum of Art, Kobe, Japan

- 1975 "Max Ernst: A Retrospective," Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum, New York, NY
 "Max Ernst," Galeries Nationales du Grand Palais, Paris, France
- 1970 "Max Ernst: Inside the Sight," Houston Institute of the Arts, TX; Kunststahle, Hamburg, Germany; Kestner-Gesellschaft, Hanover, Germany; Kunstverein, Frankfurt, Germany; Akademie der Kunst, Berlin, Germany; Kunsthalle, Cologne, Germany; Musée de l'Orangerie, Paris, France; Musée Cantini, Marseille, France; Maison de la Culture, Grenoble, France; Ancienne Douane, Strasbourg, France; Musée des Beaux-Arts, Nantes, France; Rice University, Houston, TX; The Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art, Kansas City, MO and The Art Institute of Chicago, IL
- 1968 "Max Ernst: Le Néant et son Double," Galerie Alexander Iolas, Paris, France
- 1966 "Max Ernst: Sculpture and Recent Painting," The Jewish Museum, New York, NY
- 1963 "Max Ernst: Sculptures et Masques," Galerie Pierre, Stockholm, Sweden
- 1962 Wallraf-Richartz Museum, Cologne, Germany
- 1961 "Max Ernst," The Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY
 "Max Ernst Oeuvre Sculpté, 1913-1961," Galerie Cardinal, Paris, France
- 1959 Retrospective, Musée Nationale d'Art Moderne, Paris, France
- 1950 Retrospective, Galerie René Drouin, Paris, France
- 1949 Retrospective, Copley Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
- 1945 "Rétrospective de 1916 à 1939," Galerie Denise René, Paris, France
- 1933 Mayor Gallery, London, United Kingdom
- 1932 Julien Levy Gallery, New York, NY
- 1930 Galerie Vignon, Paris, France
- 1928 Galerie Georges Bernheim, Paris, France
- 1924 Galerie Van Leer, Paris, France
- 1921 "Exposition Dada Max Ernst," Galerie Au Sans Pareil, Paris, France

Selected Group Exhibitions

- 2024-2026 "IMAGINE! 100 Years of International Surrealism," Royal Museum of Fine Arts of Belgium, Brussels; Centre Pompidou, Paris; Hamburger Kunsthalle, Hamburg; Fundación MAPFRE, Madrid; Philadelphia Museum of Art, Philadelphia
- 2019 "Drawn World. From Menzel to Warhol," Galerie Ludorff, Düsseldorf, Germany
 "Surrealism and Beyond," Die Galerie, Frankfurt am Main, Germany
 "Painting Poetry: Ernst, Klee, Miró," Galerie von Vertes, Zürich, Switzerland
- 2018 "Neuerwerbungen Herbst," Galerie Ludorff, Düsseldorf, Germany
 "Imagined Reality: The Depiction of the Landscape from Redon to Dubuffet," Galerie von Vertes, Zürich, Switzerland
 "TEFAF TWENTY," Di Donna Gallery, New York, NY
 "Sculptors on Paper," Childs Gallery, Boston, MA
 "Das kleine Format," Galerie Schwarzer GmbH, Düsseldorf, Germany
 "Artists' Jewellery from Calder to Koons, Diane Venet's Ideal Collection," Les Arts Décoratifs, Paris, France
- 2017 "The Sound of Colour: Modern Art Between 1906-1966," Galerie von Vertes, Zürich, Switzerland
 "Fläche und Material," Galerie Schwarzer GmbH, Düsseldorf, Germany

- “Art as Jewellery: An Exhibition,” Louisa Guinness Gallery, London, UK
- “SILENCE STRONGER THAN THUNDER,” Grob Gallery, Geneva, Switzerland
- “Visionaries: Creating a Modern Guggenheim,” Guggenheim Museum, New York, NY
- “Icons by Legends Online,” Joseph K. Levene Fine Art, Ltd., New York, NY
- “Rare Art Historical Ephemera from our private collection,” Alpha 137 Gallery, New York, NY
- “Exilic Pleasures: Surrealism Refuged in America,” Leila Heller Gallery, New York, NY
- “PREVIEW: Nach der Natur,” Ludorff, Duesseldorf, Germany
- “Prière de Toucher - Homage to Maeght, Omer Tiroche Gallery, London, United Kingdom
- 2016 “Impasse Ronsin,” Paul Kasmin Gallery, New York, NY
- “Dadaglobe Reconstructed,” The Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY
- “Surrealism: Imaginary becomes real,” Gilden’s Art Gallery, London, United Kingdom
- “Tangled Up in Blue,” Barry Whistler Gallery, Dallas, TX
- “From Kandinsky to Pollock: The Art of the Guggenheim Collections,” Guggenheim Museum, New York, NY
- 2015 “Le mot et la chose,” Galerie Natalie Seroussi, Paris, France
- “Skulptur I,” Ludorff, Duesseldorf, Germany
- 2014 “For Your Eyes Only: A Private Collection, from Mannerism to Surrealism,” Guggenheim Museum, New York, NY
- 2012 “Danish and International Art after 1900,” Statens Museum for Kunst, Copenhagen, Denmark
- 2011 “German Expressionism: The Graphic Impulse,” The Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY
- 2008 “Wunderkammer: A Century of Curiosities,” The Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY
- 2004 “Modern Means: Continuity and Change in Art, 1880 to Now,” The Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY
- “Drawing from the Modern, 1880-1945,” The Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY
- 2002 “Masterworks of German Expressionism,” The Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY
- “Surrealism: Desire Unbound,” The Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York, NY
- 2000 “Making Choices,” The Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY
- 1999 “Collecting in Depth: Drawings by Grosz, Schwitters, Ernst, and Klee,” The Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY
- 1996 “Fantastic Prints,” The Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY
- 1995 “Impressions of Nature,” The Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY
- 1991 “The Surrealist Drawing: A Selection from the Collection,” The Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY
- “Art of the Forties,” The Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY
- 1990 “Figurative Inventions,” The Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY
- 1987 “European Drawing Between the Wars,” The Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY
- 1986 “Naked/Nude,” The Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY
- 1985 “Drawing in Austria and Germany,” The Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY
- “The Expressionist Idiom,” The Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY
- 1982 “A Century of Modern Drawing, 1881-1981,” The Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY
- 1981 “Words and Pictures,” The Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY
- 1980 “The Symbolist Aesthetic,” The Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY
- 1979 “Art of the Twenties,” The Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY

- 1977 "Arp on Paper," The Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY
- 1976 "Between World Wars: Drawing in Europe and America," The Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY
- 1974 "German Drawing: The Expressionists," The Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY
- 1968 "Dada, Surrealism and Their Heritage," The Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY
- 1964 "Art in a Changing World: 1884-1964," The Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY
- 1949 "Modern Art in Your Life," The Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY
- 1940 "We Like Modern Art," The Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY
- 1931 "German Painting and Sculpture," The Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY
- 1925 "Paris Dream," Galerie Pierre, Paris, France
- 1923 "The Rendezvous of Friends," Salon de Indépendants, Paris, France
- "The Couple," Salon de Indépendants, Paris, France
- "Saint Cecilia," Salon de Indépendants, Paris, France
- "Oedipus Rex," Salon de Indépendants, Paris, France
- "Celebes," Salon de Indépendants, Paris, France
- "La belle jardinière," Salon de Indépendants, Paris, France
- 1919 "Bulletin D," Kunstverein, Cologne, Germany
- 1916 Gallery Der Sturm, Berlin, Germany
- 1913 "Erster Deutscher Herbstsalon," Gallery Der Sturm, Berlin, Germany

Selected Public Collections

Art Institute of Chicago, Illinois

Birmingham Museums & Art Gallery, United Kingdom

Centre Georges Pompidou, Paris, France

Caixa Galicia Foundation, La Coruña, Spain

Cleveland Museum of Art, Ohio

Detroit Institute of Arts, Michigan

Fine Arts Museums of San Francisco, California

Harvard University Art Museums, Cambridge, Massachusetts

Hirshhorn Museum and Sculpture Garden, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D.C.

Indianapolis Museum of Art, Indiana

Los Angeles County Museum of Art, California

Max Ernst Museum, Brühl, Germany

Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York

Minneapolis Institute of Arts, Minnesota

Museum of Modern Art, New York

National Galleries of Scotland, Edinburgh

National Gallery of Art, Washington, D.C.

National Museum of Western Art, Tokyo, Japan

Nelson-Atkins Museum of Art, Kansas City, Missouri

National Museum Wales, United Kingdom

Peggy Guggenheim Collection, Venice, Italy

Philadelphia Museum of Art, Pennsylvania
Princeton University Art Museum, New Jersey
Reina Sofia National Museum, Madrid, Spain
San Francisco Museum of Modern Art, California
Solomon R. Guggenheim Museum, New York
Tate, United Kingdom
Tel Aviv Museum of Art, Israel