

Insider's tip in the spotlight - Rolf Hans - for the first time at Ketterer Kunst in Berlin

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Munich, 31 August 2009 (kk) - In a co-operation with the gallery Michael Draheim, Ketterer Kunst will show the exhibition Rolf Hans - Malerei und Skulptur (Painting and Sculpting) in its Berlin location on Fasanenstrasse 70 from 15 September to 7 October.

“I never made art to make a living, I always made art to live.” Said the artist Rolf Hans, who died in Basel in 1996, about himself. Accordingly, it is no surprise that the innovative works by the Frankfurt artist had been rather an insider's tip in the past. Carlo Huber, former director of the Kunsthalle Basel had planned a solo exhibition, but unfortunately his severe illness and soon death put an end to those intentions.

“I feel honoured,“ said Robert Ketterer, owner of Ketterer Kunst “to be able to provide a suitable forum for the oeuvre of a talent such as Rolf Hans, and to bring his work, which so far only few art connoisseurs have been acquainted with, into the public's attention.“

“What is so unique about Rolf Hans is his ability to interpret impulses from nature and music in his art, so that the colours in his paintings are almost physically perceptible“, adds gallery owner Michael Draheim, Wiesbaden, who is in charge of the artist's estate.

Rolf Hans (1938-1996) begins his artistic activities in the 1950s. He meets his wife Magda, who used to be married to Quadriga artist Heinz Kreutz. The latter became not only a teacher and mentor for Rolf Hans, but also a dear friend. From this time on Rolf Hans, who was, besides working in his profession as a banker and IT communication expert, also active as a photographer and musician, was captured by visual arts. At first he creates the so-called “Flecken- und Streifenbilder” (Spot- and Streak Pictures), in which he examines the effects of expressive colour configurations. From 1967 to 1970 he puts an emphasis on the “Schachtel- und Eckenbilder” (Box- and Corner Pictures), putting the focus on the visual qualities of colours, before he turns to the “Flächenbildern” (Surface Pictures) and thus to mixed shades of colours from the early to the mid 1970s. As of 1976 his artistic talent finds expression in the “Monochrome Bilder” (Monochrome Pictures), before he finally immerses himself in the object cycle “Poesie der Dinge” (Poetry of Things) in the late 1980s.

Exhibition content:

The exhibition Rolf Hans - Malerei und Skulptur (Painting and Sculpting) shows a cross-section of works by the Frankfurt artist from the 1960s to the 1990s.

Exhibition type:

A sales exhibition with more than 50 works (from € 300 - € 7,500), in co-operation with the gallery Michael Draheim, Wiesbaden.

Duration:

15 September to 7 October, Monday to Friday from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Saturday from 11a.m. to 4 p.m.

Location:

Ketterer Kunst, Fasanenstr. 70, 10719 Berlin

Since it was founded in 1954, Ketterer Kunst has been firmly established in the front ranks of auction houses dealing in art and rare books with headquarters in Munich and a branch in Hamburg. Gallery rooms in Berlin, where Ketterer Kunst only recently opened the first KIRCHNERSHOP in Germany, as well as representatives in Heidelberg, Krefeld and Ravensburg have contributed substantially to the company's success. Ketterer Kunst has further rounded off its portfolio by acquiring the prestigious Ernest Rathenau Verlag, New York/Munich. In addition, exhibitions, special themed auctions and benefit auctions for charity as well as online auctions are regular events at Ketterer Kunst.

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