Press Information

Treasure Chamber Germany

Presentation of the Konferenz Nationaler Kultureinrichtungen (KNK; Conference of National Cultural Institutions) at the International Tourism Exchange Fair in Berlin 11 to 15 March 2005

"I am quite curious as to what treasures I will find in your abode", Goethe observed two hundred years ago. Today, our visitors will be informed about how to follow in his footsteps:

Fifteen years after German reunification, from 3 October 2005 to 8 January 2006, more than twenty nationally ranking institutions of the new federal states and Berlin will place their prized cultural treasures on view at the Art and Exhibition Hall of the Federal Republic of Germany in Bonn. In an unique display of previously unequalled scale, some four hundred impressive collection objects and highlights will be presented on 2,000 square metres of exhibition space. The exhibition "National Treasures of Germany. From Luther to the Bauhaus" invites you to come with us on a journey through five hundred years of cultural history in the realms of art, nature and science. Like ambassadors sent to us from the past, artworks such as paintings, sculptures and drawings as well as works of literature and music, precious objects and curios, natural history objects will represent the emergence of a national heritage of European origin. Package tours for groups and individuals are provided.

In addition to this, the KNK will present some other highlights in the conference's 2005-2006 programme of events: see, for example, the recently reopened Green Vault in Dresden, learn all about Schiller in Weimar, get to know Carel Fabritius in Schwerin or bear witness to the Singer's War on the Wartburg in Eisenach and listen to the music of Johann Sebastian Bach in Leipzig.

The Dresden State Art Collections (Staatliche Kunstsammlungen Dresden) are officially responsible for this project. It will be developed and realized in collaboration with x:hibit. The exhibition is being presented by the Art and Exhibition Hall of the Federal Republic of Germany (Kunst- und Ausstellungshalle der Bundesrepublik Deutschland).

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