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BASTIAN ANNOUNCES LONDON GALLERY TO OPEN
IN FEBRUARY 2019

INAUGURAL EXHIBITION OF POLAROID
PHOTOGRAPHS BY ANDY WARHOL,
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Exterior of BASTIAN London, courtesy BASTIAN London. Photo: Luke Walker

Coinciding with BASTIAN's 30th anniversary, the gallery is delighted to announce the opening of a London space in February 2019. Located on Mayfair's Davies Street, this will be BASTIAN's first international outpost outside of Berlin. Under the direction of Aeneas Bastian, son of founders Céline and Heiner Bastian, the 90 square metre ground floor gallery is situated in a 20th century townhouse that will be renovated by David

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Chipperfield Architects. BASTIAN's curatorial programme will continue to focus on its artist roster with an emphasis on leading German and American post-war artists, as well as other historical and contemporary figures from beyond its stable.

The inaugural exhibition, running until April 2019, presents a series of 60 portrait and self-portrait Polaroid photographs by Andy Warhol, depicting artists, actors and friends of his eccentric Factory entourage including Jean-Michel Basquiat, Paloma Picasso and Yves Saint-Laurent. Reflecting the origins of BASTIAN itself – rooted in the founders' long-standing and personal relationships with their artist roster – the exhibition offers an intimate portrayal of New York in the 1970s and 80s during the establishment of a new visual culture.

As well as staging public exhibitions, the London space will act as a hub and reference point for illustrating the development of German art from the early 20th century through to the present day. Aeneas Bastian comments:

"We are thrilled to be expanding our activities to London, which remains one of the centres of the contemporary art world. Moving forwards we intend to build on the gallery's legacy of supporting and exhibiting both modern and post-war German art by showing exhibitions of Max Liebermann, Emil Nolde as well as lesser known German artists, whose work can rarely or never be seen in London."

The expansion to London reflects BASTIAN's international outlook and continuing development trajectory. In September 2017, the Berlin gallery - located on Am Kupfergraben - was donated to the Prussian Cultural Heritage Foundation. Designed by David Chipperfield Architects, the building will be handed over in an official ceremony in January 2019. Serving as a Centre for Cultural Education, 'Haus Bastian' will open to the public next year. The Berlin gallery will continue to operate from BASTIAN's offices and showrooms, whilst a new space is located.

About BASTIAN

Founded in 1989 by Céline and Heiner Bastian, the gallery is dedicated to representing and exhibiting modern and contemporary art. Under the direction of second generation Aeneas Bastian since 2016, the core exhibition programme includes 20th Century artists such as Pablo Picasso and Jean Dubuffet, as well as German and American post-war artists including Joseph Beuys, Anselm Kiefer, Cy Twombly, Robert

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Rauschenberg and Andy Warhol.

As well as publishing exhibition catalogues, artist monographs and catalogues raisonnés, BASTIAN participates at international art fairs including TEFAF Maastricht, TEFAF New York, Art Berlin, Art Düsseldorf and Frieze Masters.

Notes to editors

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