

# Herbert Boeckl – Oskar Kokoschka

## A Rivalry

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With the exhibition Herbert Boeckl - Oskar Kokoschka, the ALBERTINA is dedicating itself to two of the most important Austrian Expressionist artists in late autumn 2023. A selection of around 120 works from the rich holdings of its own collection will present outstanding works on paper by both artists in a juxtaposition.

The long periods of Boeckl's and Kokoschka's lives and work span a period that represents an epoch of fundamental change in historical, cultural and art-historical terms. The medium of drawing as an autonomous vehicle of artistic expression plays an important role in the oeuvre of both Boeckl and Kokoschka.

The exhibition includes works on paper by both artists from different creative periods and with different styles. In terms of content, it spans from the early nude drawings and portraits to the Expressionist landscapes, still lifes and drawings of the interwar period - in particular Boeckl's *Anatomical Sketchbook* - to Boeckl's late landscape watercolours, for example of the Erzberg, as well as Kokoschka's coloured pencil drawings and flower watercolours of his late creative period in Switzerland.

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