

## In the Eye of the Storm : Modernism in Ukraine, 1910-1930

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### PRESS RELEASE

*Discover the modernist art in Ukraine between 1910 and 1930...*



Alexandra Exter, *Three Female Figures* [1909-1910], National Art Museum of Ukraine, inv. Ж-1769

The Modernist movement in Ukraine developed against a backdrop of collapsing empires, the First World War, the struggle for independence and the creation of Soviet Ukraine. Despite these profound upheavals, the first decades of the twentieth century saw bold artistic experimentations and a real flowering of art, literature and theatre in Ukraine.

Highlighting a range of artistic styles and diverse cultural identities, *In the Eye of the Storm* features over sixty works, most of which are on loan from the National Art Museum of Ukraine (NAMU) and the Museum

of Theatre, Music and Cinema of Ukraine to safeguard them during the ongoing Russian invasion of Ukraine.

The exhibition brings together works by artists such as Kazymyr Malevych, Alexandra Exter and El Lissitzky, as well as by lesser-known figures, including Oleksandr Bohomazov, Sarah Shor and Mykhailo Boichuk, all of whom have left an indelible mark on the country's art and culture.

Organised by the Museo Nacional Thyssen-Bornemisza, Madrid, Ludwig Museum, Cologne, the Royal Museums of Fine Arts of Belgium, Brussels, the Belvedere Museum, Vienna and the Royal Academy of Arts, London, in partnership with the National Art Museum of Ukraine.

*Curators: Konstantin Akinsha [freelance art historian and curator], Katia Denysova [art historian and doctoral candidate at the Courtauld Institute of Art, London], Olena Kashuba-Volvach [Curator of 19th and early 20th-Century Art, NAMU] & Francisca Vandepitte [Senior Curator of the Modern Art collection, Royal Museums of Fine Arts of Belgium].*

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Free admission with the purchase of [a ticket for the permanent collection](#) of the Museums.