



6 DAYS OPEN STORAGE **11 – 16 June 2019**

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During Art Basel 2019, Schaulager offers tours, free of charge, through selected storage spaces. In English or German, duration approx. 30 minutes, from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Schaulager, funded by the Laurenz Foundation, unites the storage, research and presentation of modern and contemporary art. During Art Basel 2019, Schaulager offers tours of selected storage spaces.

Schaulager houses the diverse and steadily growing collection of the Emanuel Hoffmann Foundation. Founded in memory of Emanuel Hoffmann in 1933, the collection comprises painting, sculpture, photography, video and film as well as complex multimedia installations.

Works by over 160 artists are stored at Schaulager when they are not on view in temporary exhibitions, for instance, in the Kunstmuseum Basel's presentations of the permanent collection or on loan elsewhere. The objects in open storage are installed and mounted, in contrast to the conventional method of dismantling art works and packing them in crates. This enables curators and conservators to observe and examine the condition of the artworks on a permanent basis.

Schaulager also organizes important and worldwide acclaimed exhibitions of internationally renowned contemporary artists.

This year Schaulager is making an exception by opening a selection of storage spaces for the public during six days. Ordinarily, the depot is open only to specialists for purposes of scientific research and mediation.

Don't miss this one-time opportunity to take a firsthand look inside Schaulager and learn about the institution's unique approach to storage and preservation. Discover on our tours selected works from the collection of the Emanuel Hoffmann Foundation in the storage rooms on the upper floors, as well as the two monumental installations by Robert Gober and Katharina Fritsch, permanently set up in the lower level of the building.

Stop by anytime from Tuesday to Sunday, 11 to 16 June, between 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. or register in advance on our website to avoid possible wait times.