

## **HELMUT NEWTON: WORK**

To commemorate the 80th birthday of the Berlin born photographer Helmut Newton the Neue Nationalgalerie will be mounting a major retrospective from November 1<sup>st</sup> 2000 until January 7<sup>th</sup> 2001 encompassing forty years of his work.

“Helmut Newton: Work” presents approximately 350 images from the period between 1960 and 2000. The exhibition, curated by June Newton, includes the commissioned work for Vogue and other magazines that made Newton one of the most famous and influential fashion photographer and portraitist of high society. Included are also his well-known erotic photographs of “Big Nudes”, other nudes of “strong” women as well as photography and photomontages from his own private sphere. The exhibition presents the photographer's work as a whole, no differences are made between commissioned work, artistic expression, and personal snapshots.

Although Helmut Newton's work has often been reproduced and presented, visitors will be able to find new insights and surprises among the 350 objects; many of the images in the exhibition have not been published before. Also the original-set from Newton's first exhibition of color photographs in 1972 will be part of this retrospective.

The organizer of this exhibition is the Projekt Deutsches Centrum für Photographie - will be found at the 17th institute of the Staatliche Museen zu Berlin.

The exhibition “Helmut Newton:Work” is the first public event of the center. The concept of the center is to work as an international meeting point with exhibitions, discussions, workshops and photohistorical studies. Also the Projekt Deutsches Centrum für Photographie will establish archives and collections. Both activities will include the history of photography and contemporary media art. The catalogue for the exhibition will be published by Benedikt Taschen Verlag, edited by Manfred Heiting with an essay by Françoise Marquet. The catalogue contains 280 pages with b/w and color images. (Museum edition DM 39,95. Trade edition DM 49,95).