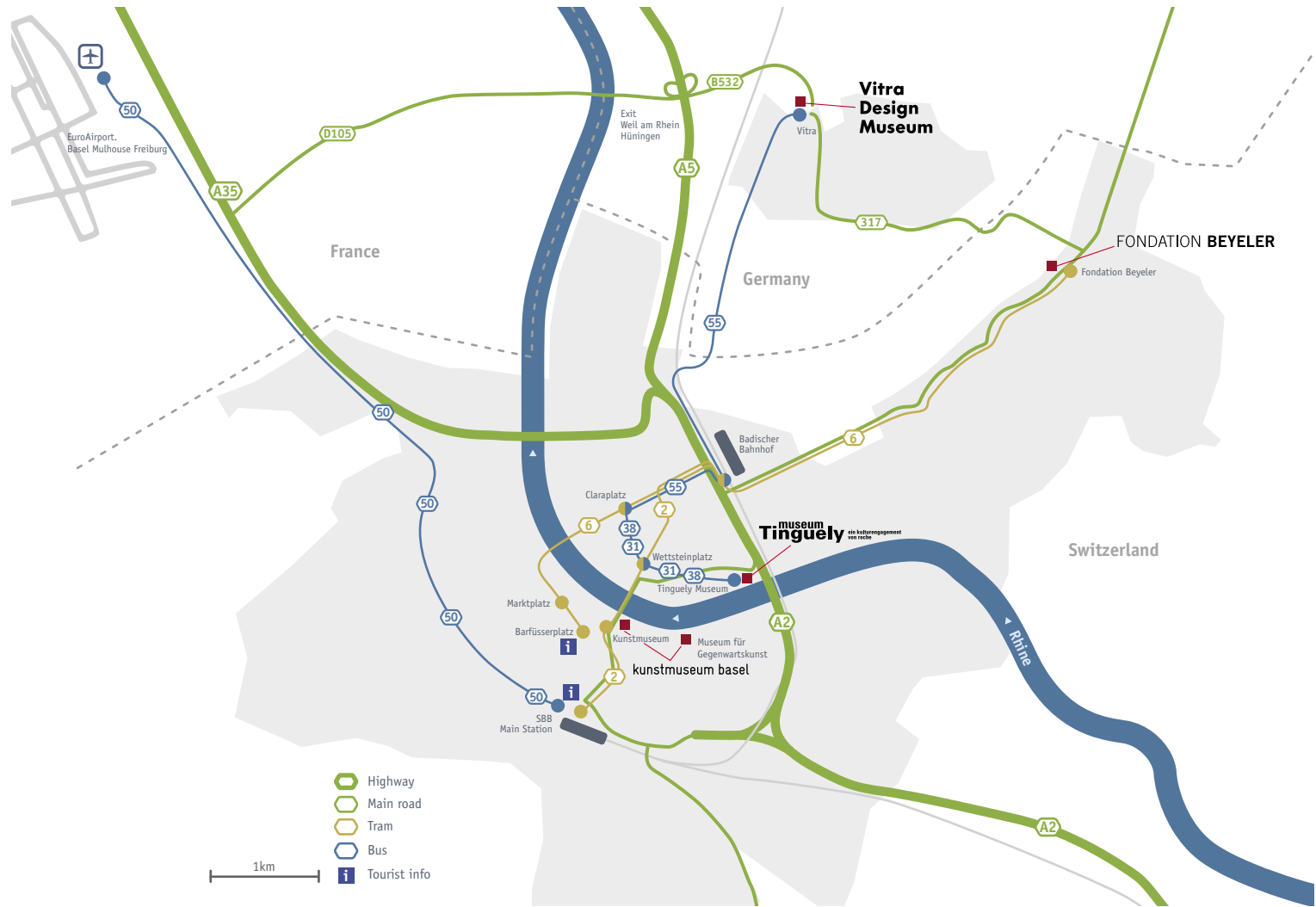


ART & DESIGN MUSEUMS BASEL

Fondation Beyeler
Kunstmuseum Basel
Museum Tinguely
Vitra Design Museum





BASEL – Switzerland’s capital of art and culture.

Basel, the venerable old city on the bend in the Rhine, is rich in unique places of interest. With the highest density of museums in Europe – some 40 museums in all – four world-famous museums in particular stand out and need fear no comparison internationally. But Basel is also always well worth a visit for its superbly preserved, idyllic old town, its outstanding examples of modern architecture by such names as Frank Gehry, Mario Botta and Herzog & de Meuron, its cosmopolitan flair and international feel as the border city to Germany and France. Basel is the Swiss culture capital and a world apart. No tour of Switzerland is complete without it. For more information: www.basel.com, artanddesign@basel.com or +41 (0)61 268 68 68.

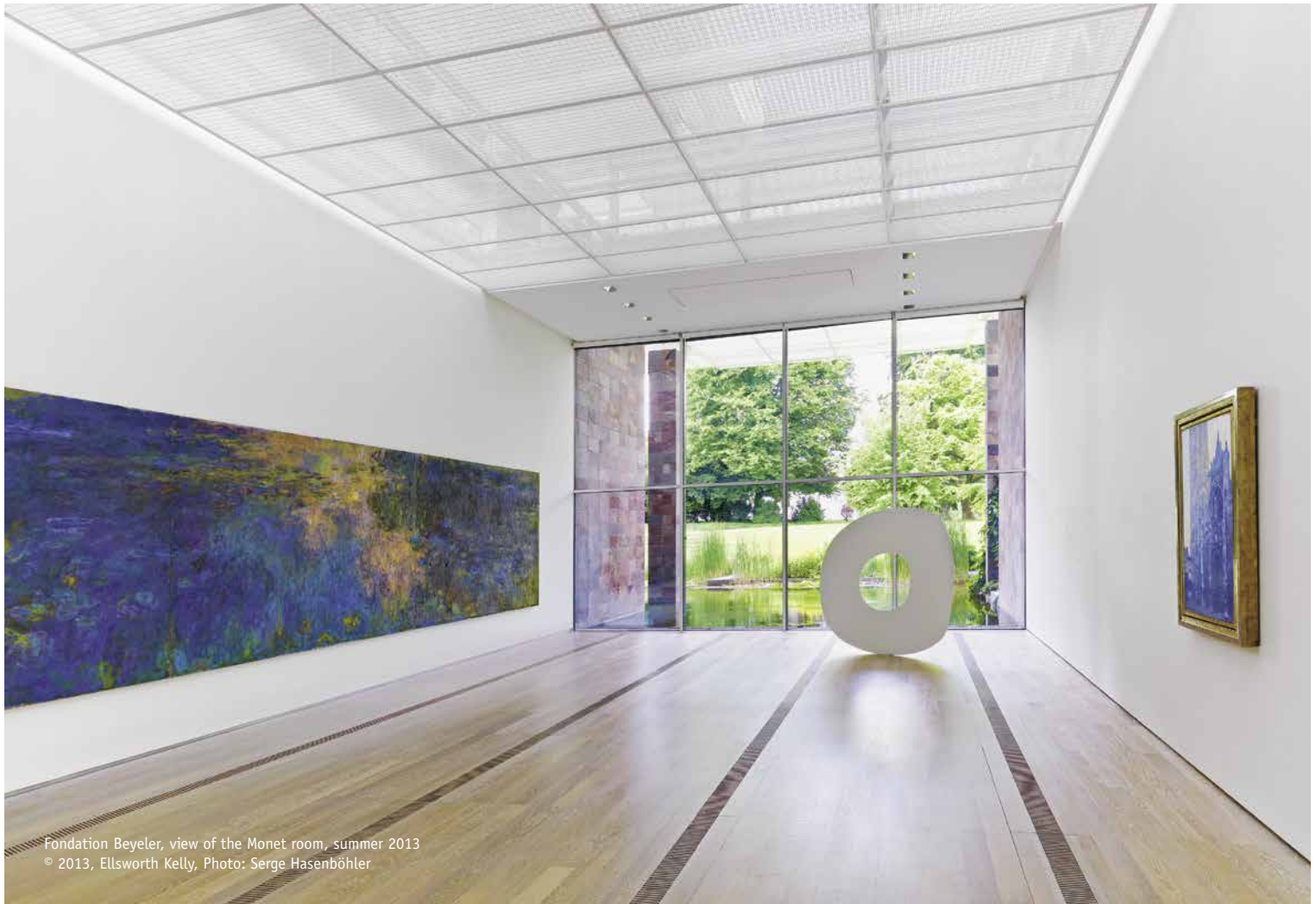




Mittlere Brücke and Basel Cathedral



Exterior view of Fondation Beyeler, developed by Renzo Piano
Photo: Mark Niedermann



Fondation Beyeler, view of the Monet room, summer 2013
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MODERN AND CONTEMPORARY MASTERPIECES.

From Monet, Cézanne, Van Gogh by way of Picasso, Matisse, Klee, Giacometti to Warhol and Bacon as well as Ethnographic art from Africa, Alaska and Oceania: with some 250 masterpieces in all, the renowned Beyeler Collection's main focus is on 20th century art belonging to the category of Classic Modernism. Inaugurated in 1997 and set in an idyllic park, the museum was designed by the star architect Renzo Piano. The Fondation Beyeler owes its special appeal to its combination of a major collection, fascinating architecture, beautiful natural surroundings and temporary exhibitions that match the highest international standards.

www.fondationbeyeler.ch

Thomas Schütte 06.10.2013 – 02.02.2014

Odilon Redon 02.02. – 18.05.2014

Daros Latinamerica Collection 21.02. – 27.04.2014

Gerhard Richter 18.05. – 07.09.2014

Alexander Calder Gallery II and III 2014

Gustave Courbet 07.09.2014 – 18.01.2015

Peter Doig 23.11.2014 – 22.03.2015

TIPP: From the Café and Restaurant you can enjoy the view of the Berower Park with sculptures by Alexander Calder and Ellsworth Kelly. Visit our Art Shop for artist editions, catalogues and gifts, also online: www.shop.fondationbeyeler.ch





Badhysli Breite



Courtyard of the Kunstmuseum Basel, evening event livingroom.fm
Photo: Stefan Kurt Scherer, 2010



Hans Holbein d. J., *The Dead Christ in the Tomb*, 1521-1522, Kunstmuseum Basel
Photo: Julian Salinas

TRACING A PATH THROUGH THE CENTURIES.

The main emphasis of this museum is on paintings and drawings by artists from the Upper Rhine from 1400 to 1600 as well as the art of the 19th to the 21st century. The Kunstmuseum Basel is home to the world's largest collection of works by the Holbein family. The Renaissance is represented with important pieces by Konrad Witz, Martin Schongauer, Lucas Cranach the Elder and Matthias Grünewald. A 19th-century highlight is provided by the paintings of Basel artist Arnold Böcklin. In 20th century art the main focus is on Cubism, German Expressionism, Abstract Expressionism and American Art since 1950. www.kunstmuseumbasel.ch

everytime you think of me, I die, a little. 28.09.2013 – 27.04.2014

Jakob Christoph Miville – A Basel Landscape Artist between Rome and St. Petersburg 16.11.2013 – 16.02.2014

The Surprised Masks: James Ensor 16.02. – 25.05.2014

Le Corbeau et le Renard, Museum für Gegenwartskunst 22.03. – 17.08.2014

Charles Ray 15.06. – 28.09.2014

For Your Eyes Only – A Private Collection from Mannerism to Surrealism 20.09.2014 – 04.01.2015

One Million Years – System and Symptom, Museum für Gegenwartskunst 11.10.2014 – 29.03.2015

Caspar Wolf 19.10.2014 – 01.02.2015

Dürer and his Circle – Drawings 01.11.2014 – 01.02.2015

TIPP: The Museum für Gegenwartskunst (Museum of Contemporary Art) is also well worth a visit.



Live music festival "Im Fluss" on a raft
near Mittlere Brücke



Museum Tinguely with Schwimmwasserplastik by Jean Tinguely at the Solitude Park (view from the west)
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Jean Tinguely, Grosse Méta-Maxi-Maxi-Utopia, 1987
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EXPERIENCING ART.

The Museum Tinguely, built directly on the Rhine to plans by Ticinese architect Mario Botta, houses the largest collection of works by Jean Tinguely (1925–1991), one of the most innovative and most important Swiss artists of the 20th century. The permanent exhibition presents an overview of four decades of his creative activity, from the artist's early beginnings in the 50s with motorised reliefs, through to the large-scale sculptures and mechanical sculptures of the 1980s. Regular special exhibitions showcase a broad spectrum of artists and themes based on Tinguely's ideas, presenting those that inspired him such as Marcel Duchamp und Kurt Schwitters, contemporaries such as Arman, Niki de Saint Phalle, Yves Klein and also current trends.

www.tinguely.ch

Métamatic Reloaded. New art projects in dialogue with Tinguely's drawing machines 23.10.2013 – 26.01.2014

Ludic objects. The Art of Possibilities 19.02. – 11.05.2014

Krištof Kintera 11.06. – 28.09.2014

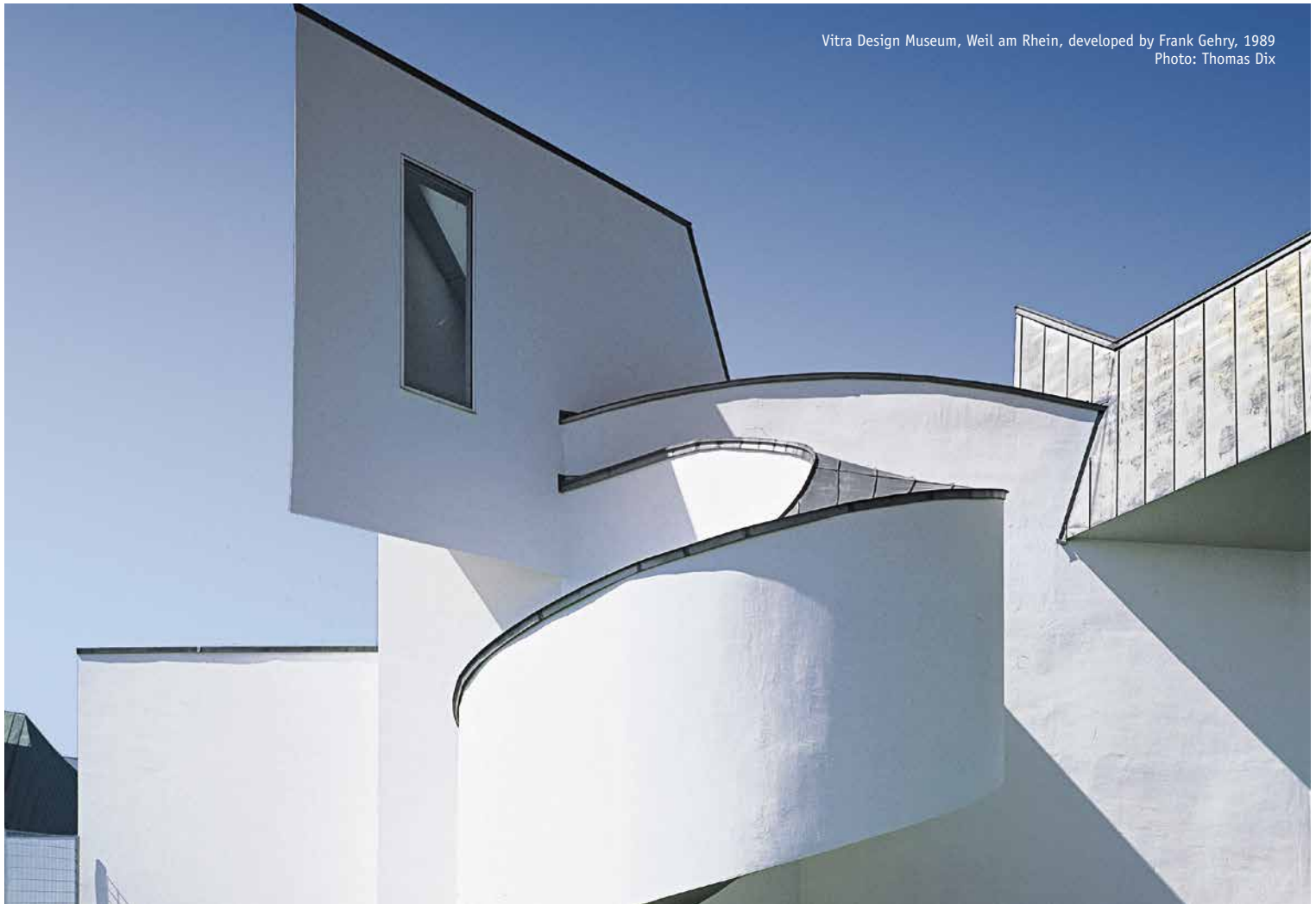
Poetry of the metropolis. The Affichistes 22.10.2014 – 11.01.2015

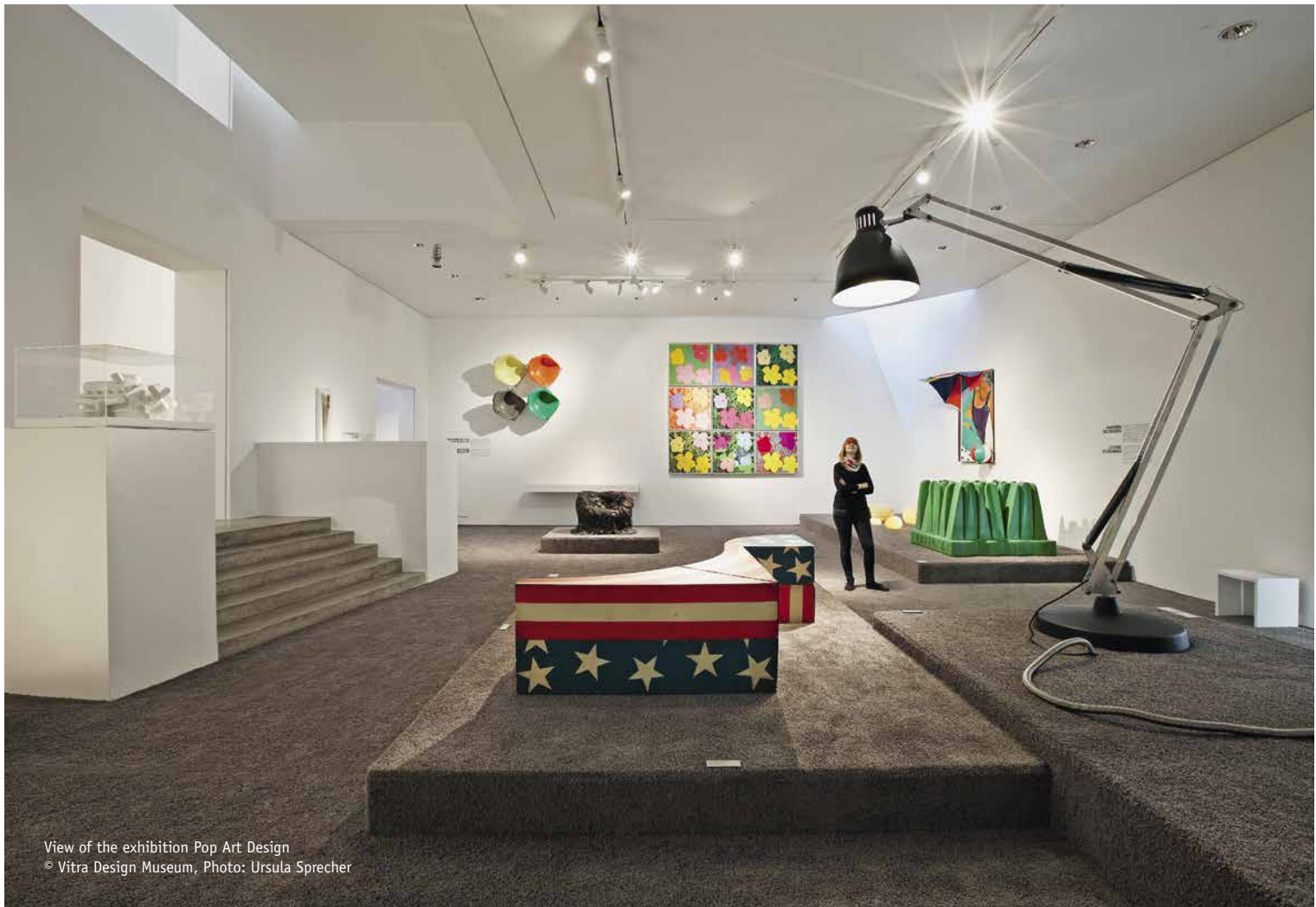
TIPP: Enjoy an idyllic walk along the Rhine followed by a visit to the museum.
The museum bistro «Chez Jeannot» is worth visiting for its views alone.



Basel exhibition centre, developed by Herzog & de Meuron
Courtesy of Art Basel

Vitra Design Museum, Weil am Rhein, developed by Frank Gehry, 1989
Photo: Thomas Dix





View of the exhibition Pop Art Design
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ARCHITECTURE AND DESIGN IN THE SPOTLIGHT.

The Vitra Design Museum ranks among the world's most important museums of design and architecture. The expressively shaped museum building was designed by Frank Gehry. Regularly changing exhibitions provide insights into the diversity and significance of design, while also incorporating related fields such as architecture and art. The collection concentrates on industrially manufactured objects such as furniture, lighting and industrial design from 1850 to the present day. At the Vitra Campus, the exhibitions are complemented by a varying programme of events, tours and workshops. The touring exhibitions are shown in museums through the world.

www.design-museum.de

Lightopia 28.09.2013 – 09.03.2014

Repair! 18.01. – 02.02.2014

Visiona 1970 – Revisiting the Future 07.02. – 01.06.2014

Konstantin Grcic – Panorama 22.03. – 14.09.2014

Álvar Aalto 27.09.2014 – 03.2015

TIPP: At the Vitra Campus, take an architectural tour of the various buildings by world-famous architects.

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