

Herbert List Biography

- 1903 Born in Hamburg, Germany
- 1921 - 1922 Studied literature and art history at Heidelberg University
- 1924 Began taking photographs
- 1930 His artistic leanings and connections to the European avant-garde brought him together with the photographer Andreas Feininger, who introduced him to the Rolleiflex
- 1936 Left Germany for political and personal reasons
- 1937 Publications in "Life", "Photographie", "Verve" and "Harper's Bazaar"
- 1941 Working in Athens, List hoped to escape the war but was forced by invading troops to return to Germany. Because of his Jewish background, he was forbidden to publish or work officially in Germany. Several works, stored in a hotel in Paris, have been lost.
- 1946 Photographed the ruins of post-war Munich and took the job of art editor of "HEUTE", an American magazine for the German public
- 1951 List met Robert Capa, who convinced him to work as a contributor to Magnum Photos
- 1950 - 1961 Turned his interest towards Italy, photographing everything from street scenes to contemplative photo-essays, from architectural views to portraits of international artists living in Italy
- 1975 Died in Munich, Germany on April 4th

Selected Exhibitions

- 2009 Münchner Stadtmuseum Sammlung Fotografie, Munich, Germany
- 2008 Flo Peters Gallery, Hamburg, Germany
- 2008 Spazio Metropol, Milan, Italy
- 2007 Maison Européenne de la Photographie, Paris, France
- 2007 Kunst-Raum im Deutschen Bundestag, Berlin, Germany
- 2006 Staatliche Kunsthalle Baden-Baden, Germany
- 2005 Kulturhuset, Stockholm, Sweden
- 2004 Veiled: The Elusive Oeuvre of Herbert List – Stephen Daiter Gallery, Chicago, IL
- 2004 Italian Diary: Herbert List – Fahy/Klein Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
- 2003 Retrospektive: Fotografien Herbert List 1930-1966 – Museum Sankt Ingbert, Ingbert, Germany
- 2003 Die Retrospektive: Herbert List – Museum im Kulturspeicher Würzburg, Würzburg, Germany
- 2000 - 2002 Herbert List - Fotomuseum im Munchner Stadtmuseum, Munich, Germany; Hôtel de Sully, Paris, France; Museum für Angewandte Kunst, Köln, Germany; Fundacio "La Caixa", Barcelona, Spain; Museum für Kunst und Gewerbe, Hamburg, Germany; Chicago Cultural Center, Chicago, USA; Museo Alinari, Florence, Italy; Musée des Beaux-Arts de Montréal, Montréal, Canada
- 1996 Biblioteca Nazionale, Turin, Italy; Robert Miller Gallery, New York, USA; Musée de l'Élysée, Lausanne, Switzerland; Italienisches Kultur-Institute, Köln, Germany
- 1995 Fotomuseum im Munchner Stadtmuseum, München, Germany; Palazzo Bagatti-Valsecchi, Milano, Italy; Goethe-Institute, Roma and Napoli, Italy; Palazzo Rucelai, Firenze, Italy; Galleria Costa, Genoa, Italy; Gerald Peters Gallery, Santa Fe, USA; Craig Krull Gallery, Santa Monica, USA; Galleria Photology, Milano, Italy

- 1994 Romisch-Germanisches Museum, Köln, Germany
- 1993 Glyptothek, München, Germany; Musée National des Monuments Français, Paris, France; PPS Galerie, Hamburg, Germany; Goethe Institute, Athens, Greece
- 1992 Galerie Zur Stockeregg, Zürich, Switzerland
- 1991 Fahey/Klein Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
- 1989 Charles Cowles Gallery, New York, NY
- 1988 Junge Maenner - PPS Galerie, Hamburg, Germany; Fotografie Forum, Frankfurt, Germany
- 1986 Pace MacGill Gallery, New York, USA; Olympus Gallery, Amsterdam, Netherlands; Palazzo Odeschalchi, Rome, Italy
- 1985 Chicago Public Library
- 1983 Musée d'Art Moderne de la Ville de Paris, France; Galleria Rondini, Rome, Italy
- 1982 Galerie Octant, Paris, France
- 1981 International Center of Photography, New York, USA; Photographers' Gallery, London, UK; Galleria Il Diaframma, Milano, Italy; Palazzo Odeschalchi, Rome, Italy
- 1980 CCD Galerie, Düsseldorf, Germany
- 1977 Frankfurter Kunstverein, Frankfurt, Germany; Kunsthau, Zürich, Switzerland
- 1976 Die Neue Sammlung, München, Germany; Museum für Kunst und Gewerbe, Hamburg, Germany; Kunsthalle, Nuremberg, Germany
- 1958 Galleria del Óbelisco, Roma, Italy
- 1942 Galerie Karl Buchholz, Berlin, Germany
- 1940 Parnassos Galerie, Athens, Greece
- 1937 Galerie du Chasseur d'Images, Paris, France

Literature

- 2005 Canti dall'Africa, Artificio Skira, Italy
- 2000 Herbert List - Die Monographie, Schirmer & Mosel, Germany (Herbert List - Eloges du Beau), Le Seuil, Paris, France
- 1995 Memento 1945 - Münchner Ruinen, Schirmer & Mosel, Germany
- 1995 Italien, Schirmer & Mosel, Germany; (Diario Italiano), Mondadori Editore, Italy
- 1993 Hellas, Schirmer & Mosel, Germany
- 1988 Söhne des Lichts, Hoffmann & Campe, Germany; (Junge Männer), Twin Palms, USA
- 1985 Herbert List, Verlag, Germany
- 1981 Herbert List: Photographs 1930-1970, Rizzoli, USA/Thames & Hudson, UK
- 1977 Portraits, Hoffmann & Campe, Germany
- 1972 Martin Mayer (with Hans Konrad Roethel), Karl Thiemig, Germany
- 1963 Bildwerke aus Nigeria (with William Fagg), Prestel, Germany; (Nigerian Images), Lund Humphries Publishers, UK
- 1962 Napoli (with Vittorio de Sica), Sigbert Mohn, Germany
- 1958 Caribia, Rowohlt, Germany

1955 Rom, Hans Reich, Germany

1953 Licht über Hellas: Aufnahmen aus Griechenland 1937-1941, Georg D.W. Callwey,
Germany