

## Peter Weibel receives the TREBBIA Award 2020

The members of the Trebbia International Nomination Committee (INC) have decided: the artistic, academic, and executive director of the ZKM | Center for Art and Media Karlsruhe Prof. Dr. h.c. Peter Weibel is awarded with this year's TREBBIA Award. The prestigious award, named after the Ligurian river, honors artists, companies and charities from all over the world. The award ceremony of the Trebbia International Awards will take place on Sunday, 22 March 2020 in the Prague Community Centre and will be broadcast live on Czech and Slovakian television.

The jury honors the artistic activity of the artist and curator Peter Weibel with the Trebbia Award, which, in addition to a certificate, includes a Trebbia statuette by the leading Czech sculptor Stáfan Milkov. Trebbia is an international award born in the Prague Church of St. Roch as a natural historical intersection of nearly a thousand years of spiritual development at this site and positive relationships between patrons and creators of cultural values. Since 1994, this unique space has accommodated the international MIRO Gallery. In 2000, the Gallery has established the European award as an expression of thanks to entrepreneurs, patrons and artists, and named it after the river Trebbia. This award is nowadays presented by the TREBBIA Foundation.

Among the previous winners are Markus Lüpertz, Ronnie Wood, Václav Havel, Bob Geldof, Wladimir Klitschko, Luciano Benetton, Annie Leibovitz, King Norodom Sihamoni and Karel Gott.

### About the award winner

Peter Weibel was born in Odessa in 1944 and studied literature, medicine, logic, philosophy and film in Paris and Vienna. Through his manifold activities as an artist, curator, theorist and a nomad between art and science, he is considered a central figure in European media art. Peter Weibel has been director of the ZKM | Center for Art and Media Karlsruhe since 1999 and was professor at the University of Applied Arts Vienna from 1984 to 2011, first for visual media design, later for media theory.

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Building on Peter Weibel's twenty years as the artistic, academic, and executive director of the ZKM, the ZKM is presenting an overview of this internationally renowned media and concept artist's work in the exhibition *respektive Peter Weibel* until March 8, 2020. The exhibition explores subject areas such as the mechanisms of perception and thought, the autonomous world of machines, the crisis of representation, the operating system of art, and the relationship of the arts, politics, and the economy.

### The members of the Trebbia International Nomination Committee 2020

**Benke Aikell** (Sweden), owner and publisher of the magazine *Czech & Slovak Leaders*

**Eva Blahová** (Slovakia), professor of opera and concert singing, member of the Art Council BHS Bratislava and retired director of the Janacek Opera in Brunn

**Michael Haas** (Switzerland / Germany), collector, gallery owner and curator

**Hynek Kmoníček** (Czech Republic), Diplomat, currently Czech Ambassador to the USA

**Michael March** (USA / Czech Republic), writer, poet and founder of the International Writers Festival in Prague

**John Mucha** (United Kingdom / Czech Republic), banker, grandson and executor of the estate of Alfons Mucha

**Martin Jan Stránský** (USA / Czech Republic), doctor, educator, editor and publicist

**Klaus von Trotha** (Germany), former Minister of Science, Research and Culture of Baden-Württemberg

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