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Exhibitions celebrating the artist's 100th birthday will take place in Germany, America, Spain, Hong Kong, and Austria in 2025 and 2026.

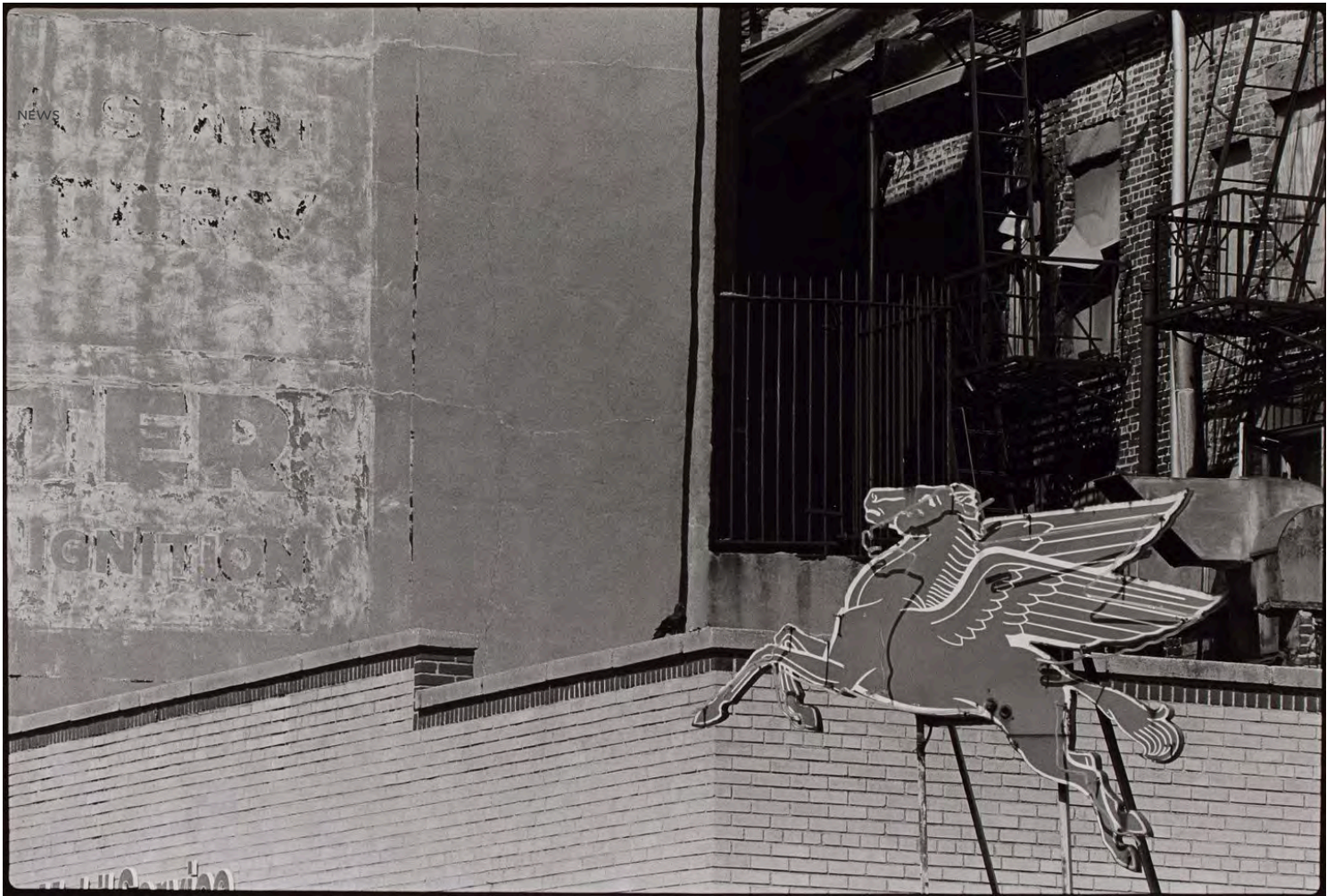


Robert Rauschenberg on the road to the world's oldest paper mill in Anhui, taking photographs for his hundred-foot colour photo Chinese Summerhall in 1982. Donald Saff records on Rauschenberg. Overseas Culture Interchange (ROCI) Robert Rauschenberg Foundation Archives, New York. Photo: Elyse Grinstein.

Avant garde artist [Robert Rauschenberg](#), who died in 2008, was born in Port Arthur, Texas, in 1925. Exhibitions around the globe are planned to celebrate his centenary next year.

"The Centennial serves as not only a moment to reflect on Rauschenberg's indelible legacy, but also as a catalyst for the century ahead," said Courtney J. Martin, Executive Director of the Robert Rauschenberg Foundation. "Through these celebrations, our vision is to move his ethos forward and reinforce his relevance to artists, changemakers, and communities today and in the future."





Robert Rauschenberg, *New York City* (1981). Gelatin silver print. 33 x 48.3 cm. Robert Rauschenberg Foundation. © Robert Rauschenberg Foundation.

The exhibition *Five Friends: John Cage, Merce Cunningham, Jasper Johns, Robert Rauschenberg, Cy Twombly* will take place at Museum Brandhorst in Munich from 10 April 2025–17 August 2025 before shifting to Museum Ludwig in Cologne from 3 October 2025–11 January 2026.

In the United States, the Museum of the City of New York will present the exhibition Robert Rauschenberg's *New York: Pictures from the Real World* from 13 September 2025–22 March 2026, while *Robert Rauschenberg: Fabric Works of the 1970s* will show with The Menil Collection in Houston from 19 September 2025–1 March 2026.

Fundación Juan March in Madrid will exhibit *Robert Rauschenberg: The Use of Images* from 3 October 2025–18 January 2026.



Robert Rauschenberg, *Bear Grass [Anagram (A Pun)]* (1999). Inkjet pigment transfer and graphite on poly laminate. 247.7 x 154.9 cm. Courtesy Galerie Thaddaeus Ropac.

Hong Kong's M+ will present *Robert Rauschenberg and Asia* from November 2025–April 2026.

And lastly *Robert Rauschenberg: Image and Gesture* will show at Kunsthalle Krems in Austria from March 2026–October 2026.

The Foundation will also provide grants to institutions—22 have been named so far—to show Rauschenberg works from their permanent collections.

There is a recent precedent for this sort of artist anniversary exhibition series. In 2023, 50 exhibitions—including comedian Hannah Gadsby's *It's Pablo-matic* at the Brooklyn Museum—were held to mark the 50 years since Pablo Picasso's death in 1973. —[O]