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With this comprehensive publication Michael Horbach provides for the first time an in-depth view into his extraordinary photo collection with a focus on Latin America

Michael Horbach has ambitious plans: With the help of photography, he strives to make the world a better place. This may sound foolhardy in the face of global crises and conflicts, but Michael Horbach remains firm in his convictions – concretely with his spatious Kunsträume (Art Spaces) in Cologne, a dense program of exhibitions, and grants for younger artists, especially from Africa and Latin America, whose works adress critical issues of contemporary society. Michael Horbach also supports contemporary photo art in his role as a collector, whereby his interest is directed towards photographic works that strike a balance between formal and aesthetic excellence and a humanistic statement. The comprehensive volume presents for the first time profound insight into a collection compiled with great commitment and which stands out not least of all by also featuring works by lesser known photo artists. Michael Horbach collects persistently against the grain, opening our eyes to positions often overlooked in our latitudes.

»My photo collection is evidence of a (neo-)humanist view of the world. It reveals the immeasurable beauty of this world, the aura and soul of its people – but also their wounds. What is endangered, what has become irrevocably lost? What is worth fighting for? For what is our Western culture responsible?«

- from the text by Michael Horbach

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Exhibitions

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