

CONTEMPORARY HUNGARIAN ART



In 2025, Magyar Posta presents three contemporary Hungarian artworks from the collection of the Kovács Gábor Art Foundation (KOGART) as a series of special stamps. Forty thousand copies of the series of three stamps designed by the graphic artist Glória Hefelle was produced by ANY Security Printing Company. The new issue is available from Filaposta, philately specialist services, certain post offices and www.posta.hu.

Tibor Csernus's work is typified by Surnaturalism, Surrealism, and later Hyperrealism, while his style has been referred to as "magical realism". Csernus's painting *Roman Soldiers* (130 × 162 cm) was created in the 1990s using oil on canvas. The painting *Roman Soldiers* reflects a contemporary approach in combination with possible historical and mythological elements.

Zsuzsa Péreli's art transports the viewer into the world of individual expression, emotions and intimacy, while frequently contemplating social and cultural phenomena. Péreli's *Axis Mundi* (2010-2011) is a tapestry measuring 180 × 140 cm composed of mixed materials: wool, silk, metal and gold. Péreli's oeuvre often incorporates spiritual and symbolic elements that stretch the boundaries between space and material. The work entitled *Axis Mundi* ponders mythological and philosophical ideas associated with the centrally placed axis.

Gyula Hincz (1904-1986) is one of the most prominent figures of 20th-century Hungarian art, who worked in diverse styles over the course of his artistic career, but is most associated with the Symbolist movement of modern art. His oil painting *Blue Bird*, measuring 150 × 130 cm, was created in 1971 and is an expressive and symbolic work. Besides landscapes and portraits, Hincz is known for his frequent use of symbolic and mystical elements in his artworks. The colour blue is often used by other artists to represent freedom or hope.

The three modern paintings described above appear on the stamps of the series. The accompanying first day cover shows a schematised image of the profile of a human face. The imprint of the postmark on the special first day cover bears an inscription meaning Contemporary Hungarian Art.

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40 × 30 mm

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