



Museum Haus der Geschichte in Bonn (DE) has been telling the history of Germany from 1945 to the present day since its opening in 1994. The permanent exhibition has been completely renewed for the first time since the opening, under the motto 'Du bist Teil der Geschichte'.

The new exhibition retains the story of Germany after the Second World War and now also provides space for recent history and current themes. This makes the museum flexible in responding to developments of recent decades and the dynamics of society. Thus, the last 20 to 25 years of German history have been added, and it offers space for interim changes of the collection from gigantic depots.

Visitors discover personal stories and everyday experiences in the renewed museum and are given a more active role, in which they experience German history in a contemporary and interactive way. The extensive collection of 7,000 items has been reduced to 3,000 items. Through modern media, tangible objects and surprising perspectives, visitors feel not only spectators but participants in the story.

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Haus der Geschichte „Du bist Teil der Geschichte“

Bruns was responsible for the realisation of three of the four zones: zone 2 covering the period from 1949–1989, zone 3 from 1989–1990 and zone 4 from 1990 to the present day. Within these zones, Bruns realised, among other things, large-scale wall construction, display cases and the mounting of the ‘specials’: extraordinary objects. These include heavy and iconic elements with a history, such as a fence, a gondola from a Ferris wheel, a Volkswagen Beetle and even an aircraft that once flew between East and West Berlin. Large sea containers symbolising Germany’s role in global trade were also installed.

The renewal was achieved in close collaboration with the museum team and various partners: Kossmanndejong (design), Ata Tech (lighting), 235media (hardware), Schnelle Bunte Bilder (software) and Kling Klang Klong (sound).

The added value for Bruns lay primarily in unburdening the client, translating the creative design into a feasible technical whole and realising this with precision. Thanks to its experience in complex exhibition construction, Bruns acted as a reliable partner that thinks along, solves problems and executes with an eye for quality and detail.

Haus der Geschichte has been renewed into a museum that is ready for the future, in which visitors do not only look at history, but are part of it themselves.

Destination

Museum

Type of exhibition

Permanent

Design

Kossmanndejong

De Ruyterkade 107

1011 AB Amsterdam

The Netherlands

Surface area

4000 m²

Zones

1. 1945 - 1949

2. 1949 - 1989

3. 1989 - 1990

4. 1990 - heute

Delivery

December 2025

