



Greeting of  
Marcel Philipp  
Mayor of Aachen

His world is the universe. Employing cosmic creative power, the artist Emil Ciocoiu reaches for the stars. And stays yet fully grounded. Nature and man, faith and galaxy are his topics, which he expresses through his sophisticated technique. Emil Ciocoiu's art is colourful, emanates optimism still radiating depth. As does the artist himself. Born in 1948 in Romania, many years ago Emil Ciocoiu found a new home in Germany. Living and working in Aachen, he holds the freedom to develop himself and his art in the context of the tri-state-area of Germany, Belgium and the Netherlands. In his heart he carries his Romanian roots – just in time for his 65. Birthday in September they carry him back. Aachen is proud that an artist from our town shows a retrospective of his painting in the national theater in Bucharest. Two hundreds works of art that envelop worlds - and connect our town in Western Germany with the capital of Romania. I wish the exhibition good luck, thank Ion Caramitru, General Director of the National Theater for his hospitality and transmit my and the best wishes of the citizens of Aachen - not only to the artist Emil Ciocoiu and the curator Marius Tita, but also to all citizens of Bucharest and especially to my counterpart, Mr. Mayor Dr. Sorin Oprescu

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