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## RARE BACON SEASCAPE DISPLAYED BY ORDOVAS

Ordovas is displaying Francis Bacon's 'Figure in Sea' circa 1957 in their new London exhibition **'The Big Blue'**. The show is an exhibition of work inspired by the sea, spanning two millennia, on now through to 12 December.

"After the fascinating experience of working with Damien Hirst for our exhibition Self, in October 2014, I approached Damien again to see if he would consider another collaboration to coincide with Frieze this year. We embarked on a series of conversations, from which Damien conceived the idea of an exhibition, curated by Ordovas gallery, on the theme of the sea. The Big Blue is the result of this new collaboration: in it we explore some of the ways in which the sea influences art, by looking at works that span many centuries from Roman times until today. Our intention is to offer an original and penetrating glimpse into a universal theme." – Gallery Founder Pilar Ordovas explains the shows conception and focus.

Bacon's 'Figure in Sea' circa 1957 is one of only two surviving seascapes, and was the starting point for the show's selection process. Ordovas believe that it is thought Bacon intended to add to the lightly present structure outlined in the sea. 'Figure in Sea' remained unrecorded until it was discovered in 1997 a number of years after Bacon had passed away.



— Francis Bacon, Figure in Sea, circa 1957. Oil on canvas. © The Estate of Francis Bacon. All rights reserved. DACS 2015.

Other artists featured in this show include Pablo Picasso, Max Ernst, and Damien Hirst, whose 2008-09 piece Heaven (a shark preserved in formaldehyde) is on display. Some of the works displayed date back as far as the second century A.D. For more information including gallery opening times, please visit the **Ordovas website**.

### 'The Big Blue'

25 September – 12 December 2015  
Ordovas, 25 Savile Road  
London, W1S 2ER

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