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## Rembrandt and the Dutch Golden Age: Masterpieces from the Rijksmuseum



Rembrandt *Self-portrait as the Apostle Paul* 1661 Collection Rijksmuseum, Amsterdam, De Bruijn-van der Leeuw Bequest, Muri, Switzerland. Exhibition: 11 November 2017 - 11 February 2018, Art Gallery of NSW.

Immerse yourself in outstanding works of art by the greatest Dutch painters of the 17th century, including Rembrandt and Vermeer, at the Art Gallery of New South Wales from 11 November 2017 to 18 February 2018. This is the first major exhibition of Dutch masters in Sydney. It comprises 78 exceptional works of art from the renowned Rijksmuseum in Amsterdam, as part of the Sydney International Art Series 2017-2018.

Last Friday, the opening night took place in the Art Gallery of NSW. The evening started off with a VIP preview in the exhibition space. Afterwards, all guests were officially welcomed by the president of the Art Gallery of NSW, Mr David Gonski. Among the other speakers were Dr Michael Brand,

Director at the Art Gallery of NSW, the Hon. Don Harwin MLC, Minister for the Arts, and Taco Dibbits, General Director of the Rijksmuseum. Willem Cosijn, Consul-General of the Netherlands in Sydney, also took the stage and expressed his pleasure about this special exhibition. He spoke about the Dutch Golden Age and its importance for our cultural heritage.