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Welcome to the second "special issue" of *Nineteenth-Century Art Worldwide*. Special issues are organized around a single theme and edited by one or two guest editors. Thus far, they have been the outcomes of symposia. Our [first special issue](#) was centered on the impact of Darwin and evolutionary theory on nineteenth-century art. The present issue has as its theme the importance of Siegfried Bing and his gallery La Maison de l'Art Nouveau for the development of late nineteenth-century fine and decorative arts in France and abroad.

We are especially happy to have as our collaborators the Van Gogh Museum Journal and the Van Gogh Museum in Amsterdam, which organized the symposium on Siegfried Bing that gave rise to this special issue. We acknowledge the editorial board of the Van Gogh Museum Journal for having entrusted the publication of this symposium to us and we are grateful for their help in initiating the content of this issue and their editorial involvement in the manuscript. We thank the Van Gogh Museum for funding this issue. Our thanks go, in particular, to Chris Stolwijk, Head of Research of the Van Gogh Museum and Chief editor of the Van Gogh Museum Journal ; John Leighton, Director; Edwin Becker, Curator; and Suzanne Bogman, Publications Manager.

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To those of you who are organizing symposia or have just done so, please remember *Nineteenth-Century Art Worldwide* as a possible publishing venue. We feel these special issues serve an important purpose in publicizing outstanding symposia and preserving them for posterity. Please contact Petra Chu at [chupetra\[at\]19thc-artworldwide.org](mailto:chupetra[at]19thc-artworldwide.org).

Meanwhile, enjoy this special Bing issue.