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caption="Takashi Murakami, Army of Mushrooms, Frank Cohen

Collection, Manchester, UK"]



[/caption] **RENEW: a £600,000 collecting initiative supported by the [artfund.org](#) and [Esmée Fairbairn Foundation](#)**

RENEW is a collecting scheme that helps UK museums create new collections or replenish and develop their existing holdings.

RENEW aims to build future centres of excellence by supporting fresh areas of collecting. The initiative is funded thanks to a grant from the Esmée Fairbairn Foundation as part of its 50th birthday celebrations.

This year ASEMUS member, [University of Durham Oriental Museum](#), was awarded £50,000 towards the creation of [Made in Japan](#), a collection of contemporary Japanese art.

RENEW aims to:

- **Stimulate** collecting and to develop collections
- **Encourage** a collecting which creates opportunities for collaboration and the sharing of knowledge and resources between departments and institutions
- **Help** museums and galleries to connect with their communities in new ways through collecting
- **Enable** a strategic and energetic approach to collecting in the current funding climate

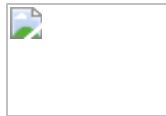
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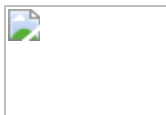
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