

Invitation

Pierre de Coubertin and the arts

An exhibition by the

International Pierre de Coubertin Committee

Sunday, 7th August 2016 at 12 o'clock

Club France

Sociedade Hípica Brasileira, Av. Borges de Medeiros, 2448 /
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Charles de Coubertin, Pierre de Coubertin at two years old,
1864 Oil on Canvas (19x24cm), Collection: Gilles de Navacelle

Pierre de Coubertin (1863-1937) is celebrated worldwide as the founder of the Modern Olympic Games. As the son of an old noble family, he grew up in the French educational tradition of the 19th century. His father Charles was a respected painter in France.

The interplay between art and sport was already rooted in Pierre de Coubertin's education. Consequently, in 1906, Coubertin convened an Olympic Congress in Paris. There artistic competitions in the context of the Olympic Games were approved.

With largely unknown works of art by members of the Coubertin family, the formulation "Olympism = Sport + Culture" is redefined in this exhibition.

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