

Mons and the new momentum of old mining sites

In our region, imagination and innovation are not only a thing of the past. From the industrial ruins of old mining sites in the heart of Borinage two fabulous projects hatched which showcase artistic and scientific creation. Architecturally witnessing the golden age of Borinage, these brick and steel giants also enshrine the very soul of the hard working area in which they are rooted.



The **GRAND-HORNU** complex and the **MAC's** (Museum for Contemporary Arts). Multilingual guided tours of the historical complex and the exhibitions.

Henri De Gorge, founder of this 'ideal' town, decided to try and attract the necessary workforce to his company by offering a so far unknown well-being. He built a living estate with an outrageous comfort for that time's standards. Nowadays the former industrial complex has been saved and completely renovated, and is a remarkable testimony of the industrial revolution.

Since 2002 the Grand-Hornu is accommodating the MAC's, this new space devoted to contemporary creation was designed by Pierre Hebbelinck, one of the major actors in the field of architectural renewal in Wallonia. The project has the ambition to introduce contemporary arts to the largest possible audience. The Museum's policy is first of all to suggest a poetical way to inventory the world.



websites : www.grand-hornu.be and www.mac-s.be

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