

TORÉKENYEK

THE FRAGILE SELF

*"It is so strange to see
them lying here.*

What are they doing here?

Did they simply wander in

*by mistake? Or has their entire
purpose in life been a joke up to now?*

Is this their serious intention?

*As I wander sleepily amongst the rows
of beds, I sense the heavy breath of a harried,
dilapidated city. I stand guard over
collapsed beauties."*

(István Hollós: My Farewell to the Yellow House, 1927)



INVITATION

The HNM PCC Semmelweis Museum of the History of Medicine requests the pleasure of your company at the opening ceremony of its temporal exhibition:

THE FRAGILE SELF – Art and Therapy – Past and Present

on Friday, September 18th, 2026, at 5 p.m.

at the **HNM PCC Semmelweis Museum of the History of Medicine**

(1-3 Apród Street, Budapest 1013)

Welcoming remarks:

Benedek VARGA, director general, Semmelweis Museum of the History of Medicine

Greetings:

Dr. Zsolt SÁRI, State Secretary for Public Collections and Heritage Protection

Opening remarks:

Prof. Dr. Csaba PLÉH, psychologist and linguist

full member of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences, and the Academia Europaea

Presentation of the exhibition:

Monika PERENYEI director of the Institute of Art History of the ELTE RCH
the curator of the exhibition

The exhibition has been organised in collaboration with the Institute of Art History of the ELTE Research Centre for the Humanities, Psychiatric Art Collection of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences, and the HNM PCC Semmelweis Museum of the History of Medicine.

The exhibition will be open to the public until June 27th, 2027.

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