

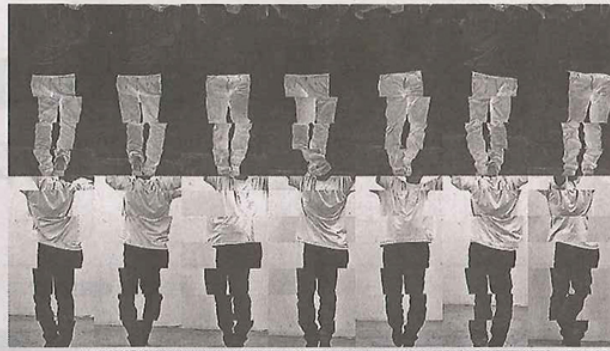
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Studies." It is on view at the museum through August.  
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### Bruce Nauman Works Go to Philadelphia

The Philadelphia Museum of Art has acquired two video works by Bruce Nauman, after the artist made a major return with an exhibition of his "Contrapposto Studies, I through VII" (2015/

2016) there in September. François Pinault and his Pinault Collection in Venice and Paris jointly acquired the work with the museum, as well as the 2015 "Walks In Walks Out."

"Contrapposto Studies," pictured above, was Mr. Nauman's first major piece to be exhibited since the Venice Biennale in 2009. In a series of large-scale video projections that recall his "Walk with Contrapposto" (1968), he is shown in the classic pose — rendered in positive and negative, and at times digitally reproduced, broken up and stacked.

Mr. Nauman, 75, is known for durational and performance art that explores limits and asks questions about art. "Contrapposto Studies" is no exception, said Carlos Basualdo, a curator at the Philadelphia museum. This piece deals with "what we see, what we perceive, what we think about ourselves," he said.

"Walks In Walks Out," a related work, shows Mr. Nauman walking in and out of the frame while establishing the scale and dimension of "Contrapposto