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Art Fair Tokyo 2019

Announcing Venue Layout and Fair Highlights!

Galleries Section Booths in Hall E Exhibition Area Upsized
Presenting Even More Refined and Expanded Art Exhibits
Gallery Directors Compete Across Periods and Genres in Art Fair Tokyo's Unique Mix of Art

The venue layout has been announced for Art Fair Tokyo 2019, the largest international art fair in Japan that will be held for the fifteenth time from March 7 to March 10. The Hall E Exhibition Area of Tokyo International Forum will feature 138 exhibitors, including art dealers and internationally important galleries from 29 cities in Japan and other parts of Asia as well as North America, South America, and Europe.

The signature appeal of Art Fair Tokyo 2019 will be the "competition" that unfolds between the different booths in the venue, which this year will refine and expand their offerings even more. Visitors can view and purchase masterpieces that have left their marks in art history alongside the work of up-and-coming and established living artists.

At Art Fair Tokyo, visitors can gain a strong sense of various social contexts in the concepts and themes of the diverse exhibits as they compare artworks of unknown authorship dating back some 5,000 years with the contemporary work of artists in their thirties. From antiques to crafts, modern art, and contemporary art, the fair is a globally unique mixture of art styles, genres, and media that allows visitors to experience art from a wide range of perspectives.

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Exhibitors from 29 Cities in Japan and Overseas, Including 22 First-time Exhibitors

Art Fair Tokyo has established a distinct position among international art fairs as an event that brings together everything from antiques to crafts, modern art, and contemporary art. For the 2019 fair, 160 exhibitors have now been announced, hailing from 29 cities in Japan and around the world. Their booths will feature a broad range of exhibits, from historically important art to the work of young artists, high-quality paintings, *nihonga* (Japanese-style painting), drawing, sculpture, photography, and installation. The main Galleries section of booths will feature 13 exhibitors appearing at the fair for the first time, including Galleria Grafica Tokio and 104GALERIE. Three exhibitors at the Crossing section, including Kagawa Urushi Lacquer Ware Institute and YOSHIMOTO ART ENTERTAINMENT Co., Ltd., are first-time participants, along with a further six at the Projects section.(For the full list of exhibitors, see the Art Fair Tokyo website: https://artfairtokyo.com/2019/exhibitors)

Exhibitors

160 (Japan: 145; overseas: 15) (Galleries: 138; Crossing: 10; Projects: 12)

First-time Exhibitors

「Galleries」(13 exhibitors)

104GALERIE/DKARTE GALLERY/Galleria Grafica Tokio/Ginza Ippodo Gallery/Oriental antiques Kanegae Japanese Sculpture Next 100 years project/L'HOMME DE CHINE/Gallery NAO MASAKI/Ancient Art Taiyo Ltd./
Christine Park Gallery/s+arts/SAGEMONOYA/Sokyo Gallery/ Gallerie Collection/Tsubakiyama Gallery

「Crossing」(3 exhibitors)

Kagawa Urushi Lacquer Ware Institute / Kanazawa Craftwork Business Creation Agency / YOSHIMOTO ART ENTERTAINMENT Co., Ltd.

「Projects」(6 exhibitors)

Wooly & CLEAR/ex-chamber museum/JINEN GALLERY/KINOSHOKIKAKU/Maki Fine Arts/TAV GALLERY

Participants by City Japan: 17 cities

Fujisawa, Fukuoka, Gifu, Hiratsuka, Kanazawa, Karuizawa, Kawaguchi, Kobe, Kyoto, Nagoya, Nara, Osaka, Sapporo, Takamatsu, Takasaki, Tokyo, Toyama,

Overseas: 12 cities

Singapore, Seoul, Daegu, New York, Paris, Bogota, Manila, London, Hong Kong, Taiyuan, Taipei, Beijing

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An Astonishing Intersection of Everything from Antiques to Crafts, Modern Art, and Contemporary Art

A Globally Unique Range of Perspectives on Display

At Art Fair Tokyo 2019, visitors can view a globally unique variety of artworks in one packed venue, from antiques to crafts, modern art, and contemporary art, presenting a diverse range of perspectives.

As a fair dealing with artworks highly acclaimed in both the domestic and international art markets, it is simultaneously an event where artworks are bought and sold within the global art market as well as a place that considers the value of art from a particularly Japanese standpoint.

For example, at the Ancient Art Taiyo Ltd. (G14) and HANADA GALLERY (G16) booths, sculptures from ancient Rome and the work of Shiko Munakata will be on display alongside offerings from contemporary art galleries. At the G124 and G124 booths, respectively, PERROTIN will present a solo show of Klara Kristalova, who was featured in the "Takashi Murakami's Superflat Consideration on Contemporary Ceramics" exhibition at Towada Art Center, while NAKACHO KONISHI will exhibit the likes of Machiko Ogawa, a leading figure in Japanese contemporary ceramics and whose work is included in the collections of art museums in Japan and overseas, and Takeo Yamaguchi, a pioneer of abstract painting in Japan. In addition, three contemporary art galleries (THE CLUB, NAGOYA GALLERY, and KOSAKU KANECHIKA) will join the booths G73–G79 and G81–G87, which each year feature antiques dealers. In this way, the 2019 fair will provide visitors with a special opportunity to view the relationships between art and society from the comparisons and contrasts of different exhibits and artworks.

With a venue layout accessibly designed for visitors to move easily from world-famous antiques and *ukiyoe* prints to modern masterpieces, contemporary art, and even sculptures from classical civilizations, Art Fair Tokyo 2019 is a place for reflecting on the value of art by exploring the relationship between society and art as well as the backgrounds and history of a wide variety of works of art.



What is ART FAIR TOKYO?

ART FAIR TOKYO is the largest international art fair in Japan, held in Tokyo every spring. Over 150 galleries from Japan and overseas participate in the fair, offering works for display and sale in a wide variety of genres including antiques, crafts, Nihonga (Japanese painting), modern and contemporary art. During the event, there are historically significant Japanese art works on display as well as special exhibitions attempting to communicate the "now" of Tokyo's art scene and market, and related symposia and parties held at locations around the city. The international and diverse art market platform, ART FAIR TOKYO, is a place not only for art fans and art industry people, but also ambassadors from various countries, government officials, and business leaders to exchange information and engage socially. (60,026 attendees in 2018)

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<u> Art Fair Tokyo 2019</u> Overview

Organizers: Art Tokyo Association / TV TOKYO / BS TV TOKYO / eplus Dates and Hours: Thursday, March 7 - Sunday, March 10, 2019 (4 days)

Press View	Thursday, March 7	13:00-14:00
Private View	Thursday, March 7	14:00-16:00
Vernissage	Thursday, March 7	16:00-20:00
Public View	Friday, March 8	11:00-20:00
	Saturday, March 9	11:00-20:00
	Sunday, March 10	11:00-17:00

Venues: Tokyo International Forum Hall E (3-5-1 Marunouchi, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo) Admission Fee: 1DAY Advanced Free Pass JPY 4,000/1DAY Free Pass JPY 5,000

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