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### For Immediate Release

"World Art Tokyo" in the streets of Tokyo:

An international exhibition featuring work by contemporary artists recommended by their respective embassies. Limited-time exhibitions of work by two artists staying in Japan as part of AFT2019 at Tokyo's gate to the sky, Haneda Airport, and The Peninsula in Tokyo Marunouchi.

The Art Tokyo Association will hold the World Art Tokyo (WAT) international exhibition in two public spaces in Tokyo with two up-and-coming artists recommended by their embassies.

In addition to the main event, ART FAIR TOKYO 2019 (Location: Tokyo International Forum, Dates: March 7-10) these two artists will have work exhibited at Haneda Airport and The Peninsula Tokyo, which is located in Marunouchi Tokyo facing Naka-dori.

The two artists are staying in Japan as they work, resulting in works that capture Japan from the artists' unique viewpoints.

Last year, the project began with nine participating countries, and this year 31 embassies based in Japan are participating in World Art Tokyo 2019. At the opening on March 7 (Thu), artists from 28 countries will be present. Through this project, the Art Tokyo Foundation will create international reciprocal exchange and bring to Tokyo the talent born from each country's art scene.



World Art Tokyo 2018 Opening

#### AFT2019 Satellite, World Art Tokyo Haneda Airport, will be open in advance of AFT2019

Satellite venue Haneda Airport is used by many people not least visitors from overseas. Haneda Airport is the link from Japan's regional cities to Tokyo and the world. It is a promising spot as a base for expressing cultural diversity. Croatian artist Georgia Borcic will have an installation in the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor lobby of the Terminal 2 of Haneda Airport Domestic Terminal. Her installation, featuring the sounds of Japan's ancient drums and *koto* paired with artwork painted on two folding screens will begin showing on March 5 (Tue). (Free to view)

[Date] March 5 (Tue) to March 10 (Sun)

[Venue] Haneda Airport Domestic Terminal – Terminal 2 - 2F Departures Lobby

(Haneda Airport 3-4-2, Ota-ku, Tokyo) [Participating Artist] Gerogia Borcic (Croatia)



TROPICAL REFLECTIONS/ Georgia Borcic

## The Peninsula in Tokyo Marunouchi – A limited public showing at the entrance to Tokyo



左)PLANETARY GARDEN 2018 World Art Tokyo 右)Expelled from paradise, n°8 -2015 Art Basel 46

Public art will appear for a limited time of just five days, from March 6 (Wed) to March 10 (Sun) in the main entrance and Marunouchi Nakadori entrance spaces of The Peninsula Tokyo, located in Marunouchi, Tokyo. Italian artist Gianluca Malgeri, who participated in WAT 2018 with an installation made from tree branches grown in the Japanese garden of the Italian ambassador's official residence has been staying in Japan, creating new works for this exhibition. There will also be an outdoor light display along Marunouchi Nakadori to coincide with AFT2019 on March 7 (Thu) and 8 (Fri).

[Date] March 6 (Wed) to March 10 (Sun) [Venue] The Peninsula Tokyo, Main Entrance and Marunouchi Nakadori

(1-8-1 Yurakucho, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo) [Participating Artist] Gianluca Malgeri (Italy)

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# Art Fair Tokyo 2019 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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