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ART FAIR TOKYO 2018

Closed with a record number of over 60,000 visitors
Of 13,000 visitors on opening day, 18% were invited from overseas.
Special project exhibitions, exhibitor booths, reached new heights

ART FAIR TOKYO 2018 closed with great success on Sunday, March 11.

Thanks to the support of the Cabinet Office, six ministries and agencies, 93 embassies, and many others, the fair presented 164 galleries from Japan and abroad. On the first day of the fair, 18% of the 13,000 visitors were invited from overseas, and a record-breaking 60,026 visitors came to the fair over the course of the four days.

This year's theme was "Art is Life," and in the international exhibition "World Art Tokyo – Pangaea Tectonics," ambassadors from nine countries recommended artists from their countries, whose works were curated by a Tokyo University of the Arts student curator. Student work from six art universities made up the "Future Artists Tokyo – Switch Room" exhibition, making room for developments in multifaceted creation for the art scene in the future. The gallery zone was developed with tasteful booths that were popular with the many visitors to the fair. We take this opportunity to express our deep gratitude to the efforts of everyone involved.

ART FAIR 2019 will be held at the Tokyo International Forum for four days from March 7th to 10th, 2019.

The Art Tokyo Association plans to continue to tie-up with a variety of organizations in order to develop the art scene in Japan, promote the art industry, and create opportunities to raise the value of the Japan's art market. Thank you for your continued patronage.

March 12 2018 Art Tokyo Association

Visitors: 60,026 people, the largest ever (up 104% from last year. 2017: 59,800) *total

Event period: March 8th - 11th, 2018

Participating Galleries: 164 galleries (146 from Japan, 18 from overseas, 29 first-time galleries)

Corporate Partners: 22

Embassies: 93

Support Organizations: 11









Art Fair Tokyo 2018 Overview

Organizers: Art Tokyo Association

Dates and Hours: Thursday, March 8 - Sunday, March 11, 2018 (4 days)

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

Venues: Tokyo International Forum Hall E (3-5-1 Marunouchi, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo) Admission Fee: 1DAY Advanced Free Pass JPY 3,000/1DAY Free Pass JPY 3,500

* Children below elementary school are free (They must be accompanied by adults)

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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. (57,800 attendees in 2017)

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