## **PRESS RELEASE**



# LONDON ART FAIR 2018 ANNOUNCE LIST OF EXHIBITORS AND CURATED PROJECTS FOR 30TH ANNIVERSARY EDITION

## **17 - 21 January 2018 (Preview 16 January)**





From 17 - 21 January 2018, London Art Fair will return for its 30th anniversary edition. Launching the international art calendar, the Fair offers exceptional modern and contemporary art from leading galleries around the world. Alongside this, it continues to provide insight into the evolving international market through specially curated spaces **Art Projects** and **Photo50**, presenting innovative developments in contemporary art and photographic practice.

London Art Fair 2018 invites collectors and visitors to discover work by artists from the 20<sup>th</sup> century to today, ranging from Modern British masters to exciting new talent. In celebration of their landmark 30th year, London Art Fair will feature a unique exhibition in partnership with **Art UK**. Bringing together thirty artworks from the nation's public art collections, *Art of the Nation: Five Artists Choose* will recognise the extraordinary diversity and importance of the UK's publicly-owned art.

## **2018 Exhibitors**

131 exhibitors will participate in this year's Fair, attracting galleries from across five continents to the capital. New international exhibitors for 2018 include Artco Gallery (Germany); Galeria Miquel Alzueta (Spain); La Lanta Fine Art (Thailand); Stoney Road Press (Ireland) and YIRI Arts (Taiwan). Returning for this year is Maus Contemporary (USA), who will exhibit within the main Fair having debuted in last year's **Art Projects**. Other highlight stands include a collaboration between Skipwiths (UK) and Berwald London (UK), contrasting the work of contemporary Asian artists with a collection of Chinese ceramics carefully built over thirty years.

The Fair will feature work by a host of renowned artists including Andy Warhol, Joan Miro, Pablo Picasso, Frank Auerbach, Banksy and Damien Hirst. Several galleries will be celebrating the work of influential 20th century artists through solo presentations - The Redfern Gallery (UK) will be showcasing the work of Paul Feiler during his centenary year, whilst Waterhouse & Dodd (UK) will bring together a selection of private works by David Bomberg ahead of his major retrospective at Pallant House Gallery, marking the 60th anniversary of the artist's death.



These eminent artists will be exhibited with the next generation of international art talent, including New Zealand-born artist Holly Zandbergen. Winner of the Prudential Best Young Artist Award 2015, Holly has recently completed her first solo exhibition at Rebecca Hossack Gallery (USA & UK), depicting the dramatic landscape of her native mountain ranges. Contemporary Collective (UK) will be displaying the work of BP Portrait Award nominee, Sophie Derrick, who transcends the genre of portraiture, using her face as the canvas. Combining photography with painting, she fuses the digital with the tangible to create alluring works. The theme of digital art will be seen across many exhibitors who look to explore the impact and evolution of digital technology. Paul O'Dowd, of CFPR Editions (UK), has a particular interest in how a robot could be programmed to use common artists materials and is planning on showcasing the robot's unique results at the fair.

## **Celebrating 30 Years**

London Art Fair was established in January 1989 as an initiative of Islington's Business Design Centre, where the Fair has been held ever since. Initially known as Art '89, the inaugural edition attracted 36 galleries and a few thousand visitors.

A number of the galleries who participated in the original Fair will be exhibiting in 2018, including Glasgow Print Studio (UK) and Brownsword Hepworth Gallery (UK). They will be joined by long-standing London Art Fair exhibitors Austin / Desmond Fine Art (UK) and The Redfern Gallery (UK), continuing the event's tradition of presenting the best in Modern British alongside contemporary art.

Over the years, the Fair has played host to acclaimed artists early in their career, including Chris Ofili and Jenny Saville who were awarded 'rising star' awards at the Fair in 1996, and the YBAs, whose notorious *Sensation* exhibition was re-exhibited in 1998 as part of London Art Fair's 10th anniversary edition. London Art Fair 2018 will continue to nurture the next generation of thought-provoking artists, particularly through its curated spaces.

## **Curated Spaces**

Over the past three decades, London Art Fair has continued to evolve to reflect the changes in contemporary practice and collecting within the art world, as presented in the critically-acclaimed **Art Projects** and **Photo50**.







Established in 2005 to support emerging galleries and encourage innovative presentations at the Fair, **Art Projects** will include 33 exhibitors presenting solo and group shows. CANAL (UK) will showcase three contemporary artists responses to the work of Claudio de Sole, reflecting the artist's fascination with the worlds of astronomy and astrology. Meanwhile Iniva (UK) will explore the legacy and preservation of digital art through the work of Donald

Rodney, highlighting his pioneering approach to the body and its 'interface' with the world. Paper, who represented last year's winner of the De'Longhi Art Projects Artist Award, will be returning to the fair in collaboration with LLE. They will be joined at the fair for the first time by Darger HQ (US), who are crowdfunding to bring Midwestern artists to the UK and into contemporary art discourse.

A major feature of **Art Projects** is **Dialogues**, which invites pairs of galleries to create a shared presentation, encouraging inventive collaborations and new relationships. This year *Dialogues* will be curated by Misal Adnan Yildiz, former Director of Artspace NZ and Artistic Director of Künstlerhaus Stuttgart. It will feature five partnerships between local and international galleries, each focusing on the representation and recontextualisation of the female.

**Photo50**, launched in 2007, provides a critical forum to examine and debate some of the most innovative and distinctive elements of contemporary photographic and lens-based practice. This year's **Photo50** exhibition, entitled *Resolution is not the point.*, is curated by Hemera, the first collective to take on this role. The exhibition will explore photography and lens-based media as a catalyst for interdisciplinary exchange and collective action, featuring a number of collectives, including (play)ground-less and Foundland Collective, as well as acclaimed artists Larry Achiampong and David Birkin.

Marking the fifth year of the Fair's celebrated **Museum Partnership** initiative, these two spaces will be complemented by the one-off exhibition *Art of the Nation: Five Artists Choose* in partnership with **Art UK**, the online home to every public art collection in the country. Curator Kathleen Soriano has invited five leading contemporary artists - Sonia Boyce, Mat Collishaw, Haroon Mirza, Oscar Murillo and Rose Wylie - to choose their favourite 30 works from the platform, which will be brought together for the first time at the Fair. Each artist's selection consists of 20th and 21st century works which speak to a personal theme - from Mat Collishaw's look at the world of violence and despair to Haroon Mirza's commentary on the notion of choice, by using Google's search algorithms to make his selection. The exhibition will bring together works from some twenty-five collections across the UK including Heritage Motor Centre, Warwickshire; New Hall Art Collection, Cambridge; Rugby Art Gallery and Museum Collections; South Shields Museum and Art Gallery and the University of Hull Art Collection.

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#### **LONDON ART FAIR**

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#### **EXHIBITOR LIST 2018**

Austin / Desmond Fine Art

55Bellechasse Crane Kalman Gallery

Adam Gallery Cyril Gerber Fine Art / Compass Gallery

Advanced Graphics London Danielle Arnaud
Alan Wheatley Art DECORAZONgallery

Anise Gallery Duncan R. Miller Fine Arts

ARCHITECTURAL HERITAGE LTD Edgar Modern
Art First England & Co

ARTCO Gallery Ewan Mundy Fine Art
ARTE GLOBALE Fairhead Fine Art Ltd
ARTITLEDcontemporary Fine Art Consultancy
Arusha Gallery FIUMANO CLASE
Askew Art French Art Studio

ATELIER AKI Galeria Miquel Alzueta

Galería Víctor Lope Arte Contemporáneo

Beardsmore Gallery

Beaux Arts Bath

Galerie Calderone

Beaux Arts London

Galerie Heike Strelow

Galerie Olivier Waltman

Berwald London

GBS Fine Art Ltd

bo.lee gallery

Gilden's Art Gallery

Boundary Gallery

Glasgow Print Studio

Goodman Fine Art

Browse & Darby

Gormleys Fine Art

Candida Stevens Gallery

Caroline Wiseman Modern & Contemporary

James Freeman Gallery

James Kinmont Fine Art

Castlegate House Gallery Jealous Gallery

Cavaliero Finn Jenna Burlington Fine Art

CFPR Editions

CHARLIE SMITH LONDON

Christopher Kingzett Fine Art

Contemporary Collective

Jessica Carlisle

Jill George Gallery

John Martin Gallery

Katharine House Gallery

Crane Kalman Brighton La Lanta Fine Art

Lemon Street Gallery

Liquid Art System

Long & Ryle

Maus Contemporary

No 20 Arts / Galeria Carles Taché

Osborne Samuel Paisnel Gallery

Panter & Hall

Piano Nobile

Pontone Gallery

**Portal Painters** 

Portland Gallery

Purdy Hicks Gallery

Quantum Contemporary Art

Rabley Contemporary

Rebecca Hossack Gallery

**SARDAC** 

Serena Morton

Skipwiths

Stoney Road Press

TAG Fine Arts

The Cynthia Corbett Gallery

The Drawing Works

The Hanbury Collection

The Redfern Gallery

The Scottish Gallery

Thompson's Gallery

**UNION Gallery** 

**Urbane Art Gallery** 

Venet-Haus Galerie

**VIGO** 

Waterhouse & Dodd

Wilson Stephens & Jones

**Woolff Gallery** 

YIRI Arts

**Art Projects** 

AREACREATIVA42

Aria Art Gallery

**ARTCO Gallery** 

**BEARSPACE** 

C&C Gallery

**CANAL** 

Chiara Williams Contemporary Art

Darger HQ

**Dundee Contemporary Arts** 

Ed Cross Fine Art

Galerie Lake

Galerie Voss

Gibbons & Nicholas

Iniva

LLE

New Art Projects

Nitra Gallery

**PAPER** 

Plinth

Stern Gallery

taubert contemporary

The Contemporary London

Turps Gallery

**Dialogues** 

Alaska Projects

**Bowerbank Ninow** 

**IMT Gallery** 

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Galerie Tanja Wagner

Joanna Bryant & Julian Page

**MOV'ART** 

Perve Galeria

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#### **PHOTO CREDITS**

David Bomberg, Cuenca, 1934. Courtesy Waterhouse & Dodd

Alan Kitching, Revolution, 2017. Courtesy Advanced Graphics London

Chan Yung-Jen, The Locked Room Mystery of Beaver A, 2015. Courtesy YIRI Arts

Pablo Picasso, Still Life with Watermelon, 1962. Courtesy Gilden's Art Gallery

 $Frances\ Richardson,\ Loss\ of\ object\ and\ bondage\ to\ it\ fig.1,\ 2015.\ Courtesy\ Chiara\ Williams\ Contemporary\ Art\ [Art\ Projects]$ 

Qiana Mestrich, OOAK Vintage Black Francie Doll from The Black Doll Series, 2017. Courtesy the artist [Photo50]

Joachim Grommek, Untitled, 2010. Courtesy taubert contemporary [Art Projects]