



# VISUAL DIARY - ArtHamptons in Pictures

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## **BRIDGEHAMPTON, NY**

ArtHamptons is known for presenting an art fair energized with art, events, celebrity sightings and the opportunity to meet up with plenty of Hamptons artists, collectors and art lovers. This year was no exception.

Held on the grounds of Nova's Ark Project, art greeted fair goers even before entering the sprawling white building constructed for the event.

Figurative work seemed to dominate this year's fair. Abstraction had a strong showing. Contemporary and Modern works were both presented. Sculpture, painting, photography and mixed media works were all represented.

Here's a snapshot of some of the art and the art professionals appearing at this year's ArtHamptons:

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"14-9-11" by Montse Valdes. Oil on canvas, 57 x 64 inches. Exhibited by Villa del Arte Galleries (Spain).

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"Charles Darwin" by Alexi Torres. Oil on canvas, 96 x 72 inches. Exhibited by Evan Lurie Gallery (Indiana).

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Detail of "Charles Darwin" by Alexi Torres.

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ArtHamptons Arts Patron of the Year Cheech Marin in front of "Exile Off Main Street" by Benito Huerta, 2012. Oil on velvet fir and tar on wood, 63 x 99 inches. Exhibited by Thomas Paul Fine Art.



"Photo Mosaics" by Alex G Cao. Exhibited by CenterSpace (New York, NY).



Gallerist Tullia Booth with photos by Bob Tabor exhibited by the Tulla Booth Gallery (Sag Harbor, NY).



"Chaos Life" by Arne Quinze, 2012. Wood, paint and mirror, 63 x 39.4 x 7 inches. Exhibited by Vicky David Gallery (Chelsea, NY).



"Chuck" by NFN Kalyan, 2011. Walnut and engraved low iron glass, 27 x 25 x 25 inches. Edition of 3. Exhibited by NAC Gallery (Miami, FL).



Rick Friedman, founder and executive director of Hamptons Expo Group who produces ArtHamptons. Behind him are photographs by Sophie Delaporte exhibited with Sous Les Etoilles Gallery.



Photographs from the “Marsha” series by Sophie Delaporte. Exhibited with Sous Les Etoilles Gallery (Soho, NY).



Bob Chase, who works with Eric Fischl, and gallerist Peter Marcelle among Fischl's artwork exhibited with Peter Marcelle Gallery (Bridgehampton, NY). Unveiled were works from a new series where Fischl collaged and painted on multiple layers of plexiglas to create his figurative art.



“Vel” by Daniel Douke, 2012. Acrylic on canvas on wood block, 26.5 x 12 x 7 inches. Exhibited by Peter Mendenhall Gallery (Los Angeles, CA).



Gallerist Peter Mendenhall holds the back side of “Vel” by Daniel Douke. “The artist always leaves the back of his sculptural paintings exposed to reveal the process,” said Mendenhall. Douke considers himself a painter even though his work is three-dimensional, said Mendenhall.



Artist Daniel Den has some fun at his booth. His art was exhibited by Daniel Dens Studio (Water Mill, NY) and Louis K. Meisel (New York, NY).



"Dockside" by Kenton Nelson, 2012. Oil on canvas, 24 x 48 inches. Exhibited by Peter Mendenhall Gallery (Los Angeles, CA). Nelson's work was featured in the film "Something's Gotta Give" starring Jack Nicholson and Diane Keaton, said gallerist Peter Mendenhall.



Mark Borghi and painter Ed Moses point at a few of his abstract paintings exhibited by Mark Borghi Fine Art. Moses received ArtHamptons's Lifetime Achievement Award at his year's art fair.



Gallerist Richard Demato stands beside paintings made by Harriett Sawyer and Frant Oriti. Richard J. Demato Gallery is based in Sag Harbor, NY. From left are "Being on the Grid" by Harriet Sawyer, "Stead fast" by Frank Oriti, and "With or Without?" by Frank Oriti.



"Nylen 36x" by Johan Thunell, ceramics, 51 x 57 inches. In front is "¿Y Alicia?" by Julio Nieto, metal sculpture. Exhibited with Villa del Arte Galleries (Spain).



Artist Jeff Muhs and art dealer Beth McNeill of McNeill Art Group stand beside his paintings from the "Another History" series exhibited with McNeill Art Group (Southampton, NY). The figurative works are

extracted from images in Renaissance Art and the French Neoclassical period, said McNeill.



“Rong” by Zhao Kai Lin. Oil on canvas, 39 x 35 inches. Exhibited at Tao Water Art Gallery (Provincetown, MA).



“Tierra Nueva” by Carlos Donjuan, 2009. Mixed media on birch panel, 48 x 84 inches. Exhibited by Thomas Paul Fine Art (Los Angeles, CA). Donjuan combines a graffiti and street art background with life experience to make his paintings on panel, said gallerist Thomas Paul.

**BASIC FACTS:** The fifth annual ArtHamptons art fair was held from July 13 to 15, 2012 at Nova’s Ark Project in Bridgehampton. [www.arthamptons.com](http://www.arthamptons.com)

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