



# Art Fairs Are Arriving in the Hamptons!

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## **HAMPTONS, NY-**

It was not so very long ago, there were no VIP parties-opening galas-lofty price point-teeming with international galleries art fairs on the East End. Zero. Now, with three of these blockbuster affairs slated for July, it wouldn't feel like summer in the Hamptons without them. This year, artMRKT Hamptons and ArtHamptons are both presented from July 11-14 in Bridgehampton, NY. Art Southampton appears two weeks later from July 25-29 in Southampton, NY.

Following is a quick guide to what's in store for each art fair. Previews and coverage on all the Hamptons art fairs continues at Hamptons Art Hub so check back for the latest news and critics' views on the art fairs.

### **artMRKT Hamptons**

artMRKT Hamptons returns to the Bridgehampton Historical Society for its third edition. The fair will be held from July 11 to 14 with an Opening Night Preview held on July 11 at 6 p.m. to benefit LongHouse Reserve. Around 40 galleries will present contemporary and modern art in a boutique setting.

artMRKT Hamptons will be presented beneath a single large-scale structure with 12-foot walls, wide aisles and an integrated climate control system. The art fair coincides with the Parrish Art Museum's Midsummer Party and the art fair will host a Friday brunch event with the museum's Education Circle.

Exhibitors this year will include [Kathryn Markel Fine Arts](#), Eric Firestone Gallery, Lennon Weinberg Inc., Rick Wester Fine Art, Nancy Hoffman Gallery, QF Gallery, Joshua Liner Gallery, Lesley Heller Workspace, [Glen Horowitz Bookseller](#), JHB Gallery, Cade Tompkins Projects, Boltax Gallery, Brooklyn's Fuchs Projects, Mindy Solomon Gallery, Sara Nightingale Gallery, Alpha Gallery and CB1 Gallery of Los Angeles. For a complete list of exhibitors: [www.art-mrkt.com/hamptons/exhibitors](http://www.art-mrkt.com/hamptons/exhibitors).

The fair includes eight installations presented by six galleries in the reception area.

[Glenn Horowitz Bookseller](#) presents *Artist Survival Shack: 96 Hour Test Run* by Adam Stennett, 2013. Nancy Hoffman Gallery presents *Foreigner* by Asya Reznikov, 2010. Lesley Heller Workspace exhibits *Structure, Balance, Leisure II* by Jim Osman, 2013. Freight + Volume exhibits *NO.43 (Still life)* by David Baskin, 2013. The Wassaic Project presents "Building on Sand," a video art installation curated by Joshua Franke. QF Gallery presents two installations: *Supply and Demand* by

Coby Kennedy and *Bundle House* by Nyugen Smith, 2013.

artMRKT Hamptons will be presented from July 11 to 14 at the Bridgehampton Historical Society grounds, 2368 Montauk Highway (Rt. 27), Bridgehampton, NY 11932. Fair admission ranges from \$20 to \$50. For complete information, visit [www.art-mrkt.com/hamptons](http://www.art-mrkt.com/hamptons).

## **ArtHamptons**

ArtHamptons returns to Nova's Ark Project for its sixth edition. Set on a 95-acre agriculture reserve and sculpture fields, ArtHamptons will be presented from July 11-14. The VIP Opening Preview Party and Black Card Holders First Hour will be held on July 11. Proceeds benefit Guild Hall. Over 70 galleries will present contemporary and modern art at the art fair known for special events and celebrity-sightings.

This year's fair will be staged in a 50,000-square-foot modular building that also boasts 12-foot-high exhibition walls. Major events connected to ArtHamptons include a gala opening night party, ArtPolo @ ArtHamptons presented by the Southampton Hunt & Polo Club, a Hamptons Magazine 35th anniversary celebration, and the Empire State Pride Agenda's 21st annual Hamptons Tea Dance, considered by many to be the premiere LGBT event of the summer Hamptons.

There are four installations featured at ArtHamptons. They include Larry Rivers's 16-foot sculpture *Legs* which visitors will walk beneath as they enter the fair. Inside is the related exhibition "Forty Feet of Fashion" presented by the Larry Rivers Foundation and Tibor De Nagy.

"Bushwick Bohemia" presented by curators Andrew Gori and Ambre Kelly of SchoolHouse Projects. Gori and Kelly are the force behind the SPRING/BREAK art fair. *The Palm Authority Project* by Esmeralda Kosmatopoulous presents a series of five inflatable hands ranging from 8 to 14 feet tall. The piece premiered in Miami Bayfront Park during Art Basel 2011 and was presented in New York City and Toronto during Nuit Blanche 2012. *Goodbye My Love* by Cuban artist Esterio Segura was recently installed in Times Square and was part of the 2012 Havana Biennial. The installation features six planes with heart-shaped torsos.

Exhibiting galleries at ArtHamptons include Cynthia Corbett Gallery, Tibor De Nagy, Mark Borghi Fine Art, [Lawrence Fine Art](#), Eli Klein Fine Art, Tulla Booth Gallery, Wally Findlay Gallery, [RJD Gallery](#), to name only a few. For a complete list of exhibitors, visit [www.arthamptons.com/exhibitors](http://www.arthamptons.com/exhibitors).

ArtHamptons will be presented from July 11 - 14 at Nova's Ark Project, 60 Millstone Rd at Scuttle Hole Rd, Bridgehampton, NY 11932. Tickets range from \$25 to \$250. For complete information, visit [www.arthamptons.com](http://www.arthamptons.com).

## **Art Southampton**

Art Southampton presents its second edition in the Hamptons when it alights in July. Art Southampton is now the largest of all three fairs in both scope and reach. The fair will present over 85 galleries featuring modern and contemporary art in a 100,000-square-foot pavilion on the 18-acre grounds of the Southampton Elks Lodge. Art Southampton will run from July 25-29. An Opening Night VIP preview for invited guests will be held on July 25 and benefits Southampton Hospital.

Exhibiting galleries will present modern and contemporary art. Exhibitors include Edelman Arts, ACA Galleries, [Kathryn Markel Fine Arts](#), Hollis Taggart Galleries, Birnam Woods Galleries, Pace Prints, Peter Marcelle Gallery, Praxis International Art, Gallery Valentine, Ascaso Gallery, Rebecca Hossack Gallery, Lyons Wier, McNeill Art Group, Vered and many others. For a complete list of exhibitors, visit [www.art-southampton.com](http://www.art-southampton.com).

A sculpture garden will be installed at the fair's entrance. Art Southampton is featuring two special exhibitions: "Warhol" by Gallery Valentine and "The New York Academy of Art Exhibition" featuring famed alumni and curated by Eric Fischl.

Accompanying the "Warhol" exhibition, there will be a VIP cocktail party and a panel discussion with Warhol experts including Bob Colacello, former Interview editor and author of "Holy Terror: Andy Warhol Close Up", Lana Jokel, renowned filmmaker and director of "Andy Warhol", Ultra Violet, Factory superstar; and Christina Strassfield, chief curator at Guild Hall.

The New York Academy of Art Exhibition will be supported by a VIP event at Art Southampton hosted by The Academy which includes a complimentary chartered bus out of New York City.

Art Southampton will be held from July 25 – 29 at the Southampton Elks Lodge grounds, 605 County Road 39, Southampton, NY 11968. Tickets are \$10 to \$30.

For complete information, visit [www.art-southampton.com](http://www.art-southampton.com).

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