



Three to See: Week of 07.20.15

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There's plenty to see on the East End gallery scene these days. To help plan your weekend, here are three exhibitions in the Hamptons that should be on your list.

“Selfies and Portraits of the East End” at Guild Hall

If you haven't seen “Selfies and Portraits of the East End”, now is the time to do it before it closes Sunday night. The exhibition presents a diverse overview of portraiture and self-portraiture in painting, photography, sculpture and mixed media made by East End artists.

A favorite was a series of photographs by Fischer Cherry. Each image is a reflection of the way females choose to portray themselves in “selfies”. Compositions are part staged and part impromptu. Another strong series were self-portraits by photographer Bastienne Schmidt. Culled from her “Home Stills” series, the images depict Schmidt in carefully selected locations that resonate with symbolism.

Exhibiting artists include Linda Alpern, Ross Bleckner, Jack Ceglic, Fischer Cherry, Ann Chwatsky, Chuck Close, Anh Duong, Eric Fischl, Cornelia Foss, John Hardy, Soren Hope, William King, Jill Krementz, Laurie Lambrecht, Christa Maiwald, Jonathan Morse, Elizabeth Peyton, Bastienne Schmidt, Lola Montes Schnabel, Julian Schnabel, Joan Semmel, Cindy Sherman, Billy Sullivan, Susan Tepper, Robert Wilson, Darius Yektai and others.



“Untitled” by Cindy Sherman, 2008. Chromogenic color print

96.875 x 64 inches. Edition 2 of 6. Photo courtesy of Metro Pictures.

“Selfies and Portraits of the East End” remains on view through July 26, 2015.

Guild Hall is located at 158 Main Street, East Hampton, NY 11937. www.guildhall.org.

“Marc Dalessio Solo Show” at Grenning Gallery

Marc Dalessio (b 1972) is a favorite in the Grenning Gallery stable, having been with the gallery for 17 years. Dalessio is an en plein air painter who strives to leave his personal voice out of the artwork in order to let nature present itself without interpretation. Truth is important to this classically-trained painter. His recent choices of subjects and the settings demonstrate an interest in this century's truth, according to the gallery.

Dalessio's technique and themes continue to be informed by his study of art and art history. He also paints every day so don't be surprised if witnessing art in the making adds an extra layer to viewing the art in the show.



“Tina Backlit” by Marc Dalessio, 2015. Oil, 40 x 27 inches.

Marc Dalessio remains on view through August 2, 2015.

Grenning Gallery is located at 17 Washington Street, Sag Harbor, NY 11963. www.grenninggallery.com.

“Looking Forward into the Past” at RJD Gallery

Opening this weekend is a group show of contemporary painters representing many of RJD Gallery's regular stable of artists. The gallery presents contemporary realism paintings that can be American magical realism, narrative or imaginative realism, “Looking Forward into the Past” promises to be a diverse show presenting a range of artist voices. Work by Kadir Nelson, Teresa Elliot and Pamela Wilson are favorites.

Exhibiting artists include Kadir Nelson, Frank Oriti, Pam Hawkes, Adam Miller, Frank Morrison, Teresa Elliot and Pamela Wilson.



“Stickballers” by Kadir Nelson. Oil on linen, 48 x 70 inches.

The exhibition opens on July 25 and remains on view through August 3, 2015.

RJD Gallery is located at 90 Main Street, Sag Harbor NY 11963. www.rjdgallery.com.

Three To See presents Hamptons Art Hub's short list of three exhibitions that shouldn't be missed on the East End of Long Island.

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