

ART FAIR NEWS: UNTITLED Expands, Basel Wraps Up, New Fairs for Frieze Week & a Design Fair for The Hamptons

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Keeping up with the art fairs can be a full-time endeavour. Following are some of the latest news from the art fair circuit. Expect international and national news from Art Basel Hong Kong, Art Cologne, NY Frieze Week, The Hamptons and more.

Art Cologne, presented from April 14 - 17, 2016, announced its 2016 Art Cologne Prize will be awarded to Raimund Thomas of the Munch-based Galerie Thomas, which celebrated its 50th anniversary in 2014. The Art Cologne Prize is awarded by the German association of galleries and art dealers (BVDG) and Koelnmess for exceptional performance in the communication of art. The prize will be presented on April 14, 2016 at 10 a.m. when the fair opens to the public. For information on Art Cologne, visit www.artcologne.com.

UNTITLED, Art, has announced it will launch a new art fair in San Francisco, CA in January 2017. Untitled, San Francisco will be held in the historic Pier 70 in the city's arts district of the Dogpatch neighborhood. <u>UNTITLED, Miami Beach</u> has been held during Art Basel Art Miami Week since UNTITLED was founded in 2012. Untitled, San Francisco plans to activate the vast space of Pier 70 with indoors and outside programming designed to engage with Bay Area institutions, galleries and artists. Taking place outside of an art fair week, the new art fair plans to coincide with other Bay Area events. UNTITLED, San Francisco, 2017 will take place on January 13 – 15, 2017. The VIP and press preview will take place on Thursday, January 12, 2017. For information. visit <u>www.art-untitled.com</u>.





Pier 70, Courtesy of Pier 70 Partners.

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Art Basel Hong Kong reported record attendance at its fourth edition, held March 24 to 26, 2016. The international art fair saw over 70,000 visitors walk through its doors, according to <u>Art Basel</u>. The art fair reported strong sales from galleries based in Asia and the West. <u>Art Basel Hong Kong presented 239 galleries from 35 countries and territories</u>. Over half were based in Asia and the Asia-Pacific. In 2015, Art Basel Hong Kong drew 60,000 visitors and presented 233

galleries, according to the art fair.

Frieze Week will have a new artist-run art fair added to its list of satellite fairs: PORTAL. The new art fair is presented by 4heads, the non-profit artist-run organization that produces the annual Governors Island Art Fair. PORTAL will be held May 4 – 10, 2016 at the Federal Hall National Memorial at 26 Wall Street in New York City. An Opening Reception takes place on Friday, May 5, 2016 from 6 to 9 p.m. The fair will feature emerging artists invited by a committee. The artist list is still in formation but featured artists will include Hannah Hill, Will Kurtz, Dong Hee Lee, Aleksandr Razin and Laetitia Soulier. Click here for details. Admission is free.

CONTEXT New York also plans its inaugural unveiling during Frieze Week 2016, paired with Art New York at Pier 94. Both fairs will take place May 3 – 8, 2016. Art New York has been presented during Frieze Week for the last few years. Together, the fairs will present 150 exhibitors. The pairing of two separate fairs in an adjacent location is reminiscence of their sister fairs in Miami: Art Miami & CONTEXT Art Miami, held during Art Basel Miami Week, are presented as next-door-neighbor fairs who are loosely co-joined. The New York fairs are produced by the same production company, Art Miami LLC. They also present Art Southampton in The Hamptons held annually in July.

Rick Friedman, the mover and shaker behind the original Art Hamptons art fair family, is launching a new design and home fair to The Hamptons in June. Hamptons Contemporary will be held June 3 – 5, 2016 at the Southampton Elks Fairgrounds on Route 27 in Southampton. Produced by Show Hamptons, LLC, the new fair will be a mix of design, decor and home contractors. Friedman's The Hamptons Expo Group was <u>purchased by Urban Expositions</u> who will produce Art Hamptons from June 23 – 26, 2016 in Bridgehampton.

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