ART SEEN: ADAA The Art Show Gala 2017

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With a full plate of art fairs opening the same week, discerning visitors who care as much about food and wine as about the art market have a right to be choosy. Without question, the best of the parties from this point of view is the ADAA Art Show at the Park Avenue Armory, where the champagne flows nice and early and the hors d'oeuvres are superb.

Among the power players in attendance were the actor/curator/collector Steve Martin, artist <u>Tracey</u> <u>Emin</u> and collector Agnes Gund, among thousands of others. Digesting the rich artistic fare in the booths (including an amazing group of works on paper by <u>Arshile Gorky</u> at Hauser and Wirth, <u>Lee Krasner</u> at Paul Kasmin, and a superb wall of <u>Jasper Johns</u> and <u>Brice Marden</u> at Matthew Marks) is a great way to build an appetite.

This would be one possible excuse for the surprising suspension of etiquette (this is Park Avenue, not some wharf on the Hudson) at the so-called "food stations," troughs where the jostling among Tom Wolfe's social x-rays required the elbows of a hockey player.

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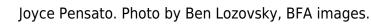
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Agnes Gund, Craig Start. Photo by Ben Lozovsky, BFA images.

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Steve Martin, Anne Stringfield. Photo by Ben Lozovsky, BFA images.

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BASIC FACTS: The Art Show remains on view through March 5, 2017

Hours: Wednesday - Friday noon to 8 p.m., Saturday noon to 7 p.m., Sunday noon to 5 p.m.

Admission: \$25 for a One-Day Pass. Tickets for the Gala Preview start at \$175.

Park Avenue Armory, 643 Park Avenue (at 67th St.), New York, NY 10065. www.artdealers.org.

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