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Art Market San Francisco Announces 2023 Dates & Introduces Nato Thompson as Artistic Director

San Francisco, CA – Renowned for championing the vibrant, energetic, local arts community, [Art Market San Francisco](#) - the Bay Area’s leading and longest-running art fair - has announced its return to **Fort Mason’s Festival Pavilion** from **April 20th through April 23rd, 2023**. The much-anticipated **11th edition** will celebrate the San Francisco art scene while featuring an array of compelling installations, events, talks, and performances curated by author, curator, and self-described “cultural infrastructure builder” **Nato Thompson**, who is joining Art Market as the fair’s **Creative Director**.

This year’s fair, under the esteemed leadership of Fair Director Kelly Freeman, will feature a selection of local, national, and international galleries, and promises to be a powerful platform for the dynamic, experimental, and inclusive strength that reflects San Francisco’s thriving art market with its robust community of galleries, dealers, and collectors. It will showcase yet again, why the Bay Area is revered as an international arts destination. This year’s fair is set to rival 2022, which celebrated its milestone 10th anniversary with an attendance of over 20,000 avid collectors and art lovers and also received an official proclamation from the City of San Francisco, recognizing Art Market San Francisco for its tradition and contributions to the city.

Expansive and engaging content creation will be bigger and better than ever at this year’s fair with Nato Thompson joining as Creative Director. Thompson comes to the fair with a robust curatorial background, including a decade-long tenure overseeing projects for innovative arts nonprofit Creative Time, in addition to his artistic leadership roles with Philadelphia Contemporary, MASS MoCA, and Seattle Art Fair. This year’s theater series will include exciting lectures by Art Market San Francisco partners **The Fine Arts Museum of San Francisco, San Jose ICA, Museum of Craft + Design, Creativity Explored, Art + Climate Action**, and the **San Francisco Arts Commission**, amongst others.

With its unparalleled selection of artworks alongside a comprehensive program of partnerships and public projects, Art Market San Francisco is at the energetic epicenter of the city’s art scene, creating an idyllic environment for educating, entertaining, and engaging collectors and the art curious at all levels. Art Market’s legacy of inclusivity continues to draw strength from the city’s culture of collaboration. Reflecting San Francisco’s reputation as an international arts destination, this year’s fair will showcase a dialogue of diversity and inclusion through its broad range of artworks and activations, all rooted in authentic representation.

A fair built **by its city, for its city**, the fair will feature important partnerships with leading Bay Area institutions including **Institute of Contemporary Art San Francisco, The Asian Art Museum, Museum**

of the African Diaspora, The Contemporary Jewish Museum, California College of the Arts, The Battery, SFJAZZ, San Francisco Art Dealers Association, Museum of Craft + Design, Marin MOCA, and many more (see the complete list to date below).

This year's fair will feature a strong presence from notable **Bay Area programs** including **Marrow Gallery, Maybaum Gallery, Municipal Bonds, Kim Eagles-Smith Gallery, Hang Art Gallery, Pamela Walsh Gallery, Andrea Schwartz Gallery, CK Contemporary, Garvey/Simon, Glass Rice, Scott Richards Contemporary Art, Johansson Projects, TINT Gallery, John Natsoulas Gallery, SLATE Contemporary, and Sin Título Gallery**, alongside top galleries from around the world, including Canada's **Newzones** and **Lustre Contemporary**, Seattle's **J.Rinehart Gallery** and **Traver Gallery**, New York's **Harman Projects, Gallery Pici, Marloe Gallery, The Tolman Collection of New York**, and **VSOP Projects**, St. Louis' **Duane Reed Gallery**, Los Angeles' **Timothy Yarger Fine Art**, and New Orleans' **Jonathan Ferrara Gallery**.

2023 CULTURAL PARTNERS:

Art + Climate Action
ArtSpan
ArtTable
Asian Art Museum
California College of Arts (CCA)
Chinese Culture Center
Craft Contemporary
Creativity Explored
De Saisset Museum at Santa Clara University
Fine Arts Museums of San Francisco (de Young Museum & Legion of Honor)
First Exposures
Fowler Museum at UCLA
Gray Area
ICA SF
Marin MOCA
Montalvo Arts Center
Museo Italo Americano
Museum of Craft and Design
Museum of the African Diaspora
NIAD
Northern California Women's Caucus for Art
Oakland Art Murmur
Root Division
San Francisco Arts Commission
San José ICA
San Jose Museum of Art
SFADA
SFJAZZ
Southern Exposure
St. Joseph's Arts Foundation
The Battery
The Contemporary Jewish Museum
Union Square Alliance
Works / San José

HOURS, LOCATION & TICKETING:

Learn more about Art Market San Francisco 2023 at: <https://artmarketsf.com/>

Tickets will be available in January at: <https://artmarketsf.com/tickets>

Fort Mason Center - Festival Pavilion

2 Marina Blvd.

San Francisco, CA 94123

Art Market San Francisco Opening Preview: Thursday, April 20th
6:00pm – 9:00pm

Public Fair Hours: Friday, April 21st | 11:00am – 7:00pm
Saturday, April 22nd | 11:00am – 7:00pm
Sunday, April 23rd | 11:00am – 6:00pm

ABOUT AMP:

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