

The International Contemporary and Modern Art Fair of The Americas

## Art Palm Beach News

# Art Palm Beach's DIVERSEartPB Returns with International Museum Collaborations and Emerging Artist Award

Art Palm Beach, the first art fair of the season, will return to the Palm Beach County Convention Center from January 22-26, 2025. We would like to thank Palm Beach Illustrated for their continued support as our media partner.

Art Palm Beach's signature curated platform, DIVERSEartPB, returns in 2025 with a focus on art's transformative power to unite humanity across cultural boundaries. This edition brings together an impressive array of international institutions, from Slovakia's Danubiana Museum to Korea's Culture Nomad Seoul, showcasing art's unique ability to foster global connections and inspire positive change.

As Art Palm Beach approaches, producer/director Kassandra Voyagis emphasizes the program's international scope: "Through DIVERSEartPB, we're creating a platform where art transcends individual perspectives to inspire collective understanding and unity."

DIVERSEartPB curator Marisa Caichiolo adds, "Art speaks a universal language that bridges cultural divides. This year's program demonstrates how artistic expression can expand our consciousness and connect communities worldwide, fostering empathy and understanding across borders."

A highlight of DIVERSEartPB 2025 is the second edition of the Museum Acquisition Award for Emerging Artists in Palm Beach. Coinciding with the Boca Raton Museum's 75th Anniversary, this year's award will be chosen by Museum Curator Kathleen Goncharov and Director Martin Hanahan, alongside DIVERSEartPB curator Marisa Caichiolo. The award presentation will take place during the Opening Ceremony, marking a significant moment in the fair's commitment to supporting emerging artists. Featured DIVERSEartPB participants include the Museum of Contemporary Art of the Americas (MOCAA), Danubiana Museum, Bratislava, Boca Raton Museum of Art, Culture Nomad Seoul, and ReflectSpace & Library Arts and Culture Glendale.

Read on to discover the transformative projects that these arts organizations will bring to DIVERSEartPB 2025.

# **DIVERSEartPB 2025 Highlights**

#### Glasstress

Presented by Boca Raton Museum of Art

Artists: Nathalie Djurberg & Hans Berg Curator: Kathleen Goncharov

The Boca Raton Museum of Art will present a preview of its upcoming *Glasstress* exhibition (April 23-October 26, 2025), featuring works by artists Nathalie Djurberg and Hans Berg, curated by Kathleen Goncharov. The installation combines Djurberg and Berg's stop-motion animation "Howling at the Moon" with corresponding glass sculptures created at Glasstress's Murano furnace. The video presents a surreal fairy tale about a wolf attempting to bargain with the Moon for a sow, while glass versions of these characters complement the narrative. This collaboration exemplifies Glasstress's mission of uniting international contemporary artists with Murano's master glassmakers.



### **Ceramic Plates Collection**

Presented by MOCAA Museum (Museum of Contemporary Art of the Americas)

The Museum of Contemporary Art of the Americas will present its collection of ceramic plates, featuring works created at its Fine Arts Ceramic Center in Kendall. This unique collection showcases nearly a thousand hand-painted plates by over 100 artists, primarily

featuring Cuban artists and expanded to include creators from across the Americas. Notable contributors include José Bedia, Carlos Estévez, Amelia Peláez, and Alfredo Sosabravo.

Established during the 2020 pandemic, the center has evolved into a significant platform for artists exploring ceramics as a medium for contemporary expression. The collection is organized into three distinct groups: original ceramic plates, tile murals, and standalone sculptures. Each piece represents a unique challenge for the artists, many of whom traditionally work on canvas, as they transfer their artistic vision to this different medium.

The collection has been featured in several exhibitions, including "Fine Arts on the Plate" and "Beyond the Plate," demonstrating its growing recognition in the contemporary art world. This presentation at Art Palm Beach 2025 offers visitors a rare opportunity to experience how traditional ceramic techniques merge with contemporary artistic vision.



### The Bear

Presented by Danubiana Museum of Art, Bratislava, Slovakia

#### Artist: Viktor Freso

The Danubiana Museum of Art will present Viktor Freso's monumental *Bear* sculpture, standing 30 feet tall. This striking work, symbolizing power and resilience, represents the artist's ability to create impactful public art on a grand scale. The Bear sculpture, arriving from Bratislava, Slovakia, will serve as a focal point for Art Palm Beach 2025, embodying the show's commitment to presenting ambitious contemporary art.



## Eternal Light-21C The Last Judgment

Presented by Reflectspace Gallery, Glendale Library, Arts & Culture (Glendale), Culture Nomad (Seoul)

Artist: Hanho Curators: Monica Hye Yeon Jun, Ara and Anahid Oshagan

ReflectSpace Gallery (Glendale) and Culture Nomad (Seoul) will present "*Eternal Light – 21C The Last Judgment*" by artist HanHo, curated by Monica Hye Yeon Jun, Ara and Anahid Oshagan. This immersive installation merges traditional art techniques with technology to create shifting, light-infused worlds. Using self-portraits as a foundation, HanHo weaves together themes of performance, history, war, future, and fantasy into a panoramic meditation on humanity's fate. The work poses crucial questions about climate crisis, human survival, and final judgment, inviting viewers to contemplate our collective future.



We invite you to attend the 2025 edition of Art Palm Beach from January 22-26 and experience the diverse programming of DIVERSEartPB. This year's collaborations with international institutions will highlight art's ability to foster global connections.

We look forward to your visit. For more information, please visit our website at <u>artpalmbeach.com/diverseartpb</u>.

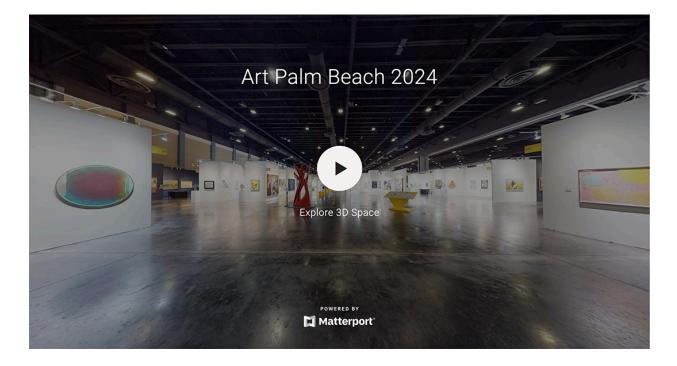
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