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**Art San Diego Shines During 10th Anniversary: 2019 Dates
Announced, Successful Access to Art Program to be Expanded**
*San Diego County's Largest Contemporary Fine Art Show Will Return to the
Del Mar Fairgrounds October 17-20, 2019*

San Diego, Calif. (October 31, 2018) – Art San Diego, owned and operated by Redwood Media Group and sponsored by UBS Financial Services, announced today that it will return to the Del Mar Fairgrounds' Wyland Center October 17-20, 2019. This year's event featured a new program, *Access to Art*, which received rave reviews and raised over \$12,000 for local charity partners: Rady's Children's Hospital, Monarch School, Generate Hope and HEAL (Homeless Empowerment Through Art & Leadership). The program's aim was to make contemporary art more accessible to all San Diegans. One well-received aspect of the program was *First Look Free Friday* which offered attendees free admission between noon and 5 p.m and resulted in an increased attendance of 50 percent. During the show's four-day run, there were significant sales of artwork by the 80 exhibitors and 500 emerging and established artists that participated.

"This year was about saying thank you to the community for 10 incredible years," said Eric Smith, president and CEO of Redwood Media Group. "We wanted to really focus this year on making art more accessible to all San Diegans. From working with the Monarch School where we brought artists into the classrooms to conduct workshops and hosting the kids at the show, to having HEAL offer attendees the opportunity to create their own works of art, the *Access to Art* program was a huge success. We look forward to expanding this program in 2019 and beyond."

Since its inaugural event in 2009, Art San Diego has become the premier contemporary art shows in the nation and draws the finest upcoming and established talent in the art world, as well as art collectors from across Southern California and top art insiders from around the world. After spending its first eight years in Balboa Park, the show moved to the Del Mar Fairgrounds in 2017 when a larger venue was necessary.

Art San Diego's annual programming includes Art Talks, theme-specific Art Labs, and a carefully curated selection of emerging artists highlighted through the San Diego Art Prize, LaunchPad Artist program and Spotlight Artist program. New this year was the *Art San Diego*

Selects program. Six influencers in the art and design world of San Diego were invited to be judges and tasked with selecting their favorite artworks at the Opening Night Preview Party.

The judges were Director of San Diego Visual Arts Network Director and Curator of San Diego Art Prize Patricia Frischer, Director of Marketing at Oceanside Museum of Art Collette Murphy Stefanko, Award Winning Interior Designer and Founder of Willetts Design & Associates Dorothy Willetts, Accomplished Architect, Artist, and Urban Designer and Founder of (fer) Studio Christopher Mercier, and Engagement Editor at Voice of San Diego and Author of the Culture Report Kinsee Morlan.

The 2018 Art San Diego *Selects* winners are:

- Max Robert Daily: “Oslo Sardine Bar”
- Walter Redondo Fine Art Collection: Walter Redondo, “The Quest Doers”
- Chairborne Arts: Stephen Farland, “The Guardian”
- Julie Schumer, James Koskinas, and Hillary Metz: James Koskinas, “Girl with Red Hair”
- McNabb Martin Contemporary Art: Pat McNabb Martin, “Gold Works”
- Sarona Gallery: Irit Grossman Biber, “Meditating Frog”
- M. Hanks Gallery: Phoebe Beasley, “Another Fireside Chat”
- M. Hanks Gallery: Walter Williams, “Flowers”
- Jen Tough Gallery: John Yoyogi Fortes, “Sweaty Pickle”
- Jen Tough Gallery: Lisa Levine, “Swim #3 - Songs of the Sirens”
- Sergott Contemporary Art: Deanne Sabeck, “Rapporto Aureo”
- Sergott Contemporary Art: Joe Caroff, “Manifest, 2012”
- Sergott Contemporary Art: Hung Viet Nguyen, “Sacred landscape III, #49”
- Gallery Edel: Yayoi Kusama, “Infinity Nets”
- MDFerrera: Michelle D. Ferrera-Lubin, “Grit & Grace”
- David Rothermel Contemporary: Stan Berning, “Seasons of Land #3”
- Coda Gallery: Siri Hollander, “Sed”
- Blue Azul Collection: Todd Carpenter, “Future Shadow”
- A & E Fine Art: Willy Perez, “Ciclistas”
- Arteria Gallery: Marcelo Suaznabar, “Cabezan en Ruedes”
- Arteria Gallery: Maryline Lemaitre, “Tous Les Murs”
- San Diego Art Prize: Anne Mudge, “Quattro”
- San Diego Art Prize: Terri Hughes, “Little Currents”
- Legend Nano Gallery: David Krovblit, “Forbidden Fruit”

An exciting new addition to Art San Diego this year was the *Palette of Desserts*, featuring local bakers and chefs who created desserts inspired by a piece of art from an Art San Diego exhibiting artist.

- [Eat Your Cake Too](#) inspired by Kate Taylor’s “Blueberry”
- [Four Seasons Aviara](#) inspired by Jeff Vermeeren’s “Megacosm”
- [Dancy Cakes](#) inspired by Kate Taylor’s “Raspberry Pudding”
- [Tammy Lou Cakes](#) inspired by Kate Zimmer’s “Lucy Grey”
- [Naked Cake Farm](#) inspired by Julie Schumer’s “Remembering the Albaicin”
- [Flour Power Cakery](#) inspired by Deb Wight’s “Heated Reflection”
- [View photos of all the desserts and artwork here.](#) The attendee-voted winner was a beautiful sugar sculpture by the Four Seasons Aviara.

Featured artists at the 10th edition of Art San Diego included:

- Spotlight Artists: [Sol Hill Studio](#) , [European Design & Art Gallery](#), [LDX Artodrome Gallery](#), [Chairborne Arts – Victory](#) And [Chuck Thomas Studio](#)
- San Diego Art Prize recipients: [Anne Mudge](#), [Erin Dace Behling](#), [Robert Matheny](#), and [Max Robert Daily](#)
- LaunchPad Artist: [Krista Schumacher](#)

- “Oslo Sardine Bar” Art Lab by San Diego artist Max Robert Daily
- Art Talks were presented by Yubal Marquez Fleites, Dorothy Willetts, Julie Schumer, Hillary Metz, Kate Taylor, Christopher Mercier, Chuck Thomas, Tom Liguori, and Red Wolf

Art San Diego exhibitors reported strong sales beginning with IMPACT Night, continuing through Friday’s Collectors’ Night Party and into the weekend. Here’s a taste of some of this year’s top sales:

- Marianne Enhorning Studio placed seven paintings with two collectors for \$15,600.
- Arteria placed several paintings with collectors, including “Marilyn & Audrey” for \$7,300.
- Jen Tough Gallery sold several pieces, including a Michael Shemchuk print; Sandi Miot’s *Chaos II* for \$4,800; Jenny Phillips’ “Anti Matter”; and two of Susan Stover’s “Reliquaries” sculptures.
- Coast Gallery placed a Todd White bronze for \$15,000.
- Angela Gonzales placed her iconic “Infinito” and “Portal II” paintings for \$9,000 each.
- Vermeeren Fine Art placed two of Jeff Vermeeren’s unique pieces, including “Trojan” for \$12,000, and a collector commissioned a dining table, coffee table, and complementary wall art piece totally \$75,000.
- Anthony Ortega Art took at least four commissions for his large resin sculptures, ranging in price from \$6,000 to \$35,000.
- Sol Hill placed “It’s Like a Window into a Beautiful Emptiness, It is Very Liberating” mixed media meta-graph for \$3,000.
- World Wide Art placed Marianne Charlotte Mylonas-Svikovsky’s “So Many Questions” for \$3,100 plus “Palmiers” by Marie Anne Baron.
- Shex Art Studio placed Dragan Sekaric Shex’s works, including an oil on canvas for \$7,600.
- Martine Gallery placed “Atlantic Blue” for \$3,500.
- Linda Roberts Photography placed “Reflections” for \$2,180.
- Musings Fine Art sold “Rush Hour in Traffic” for \$2,300.
- Lu Ross Photography placed “Tranquility” for \$1,800.
- Gedion Nyanhongo Studio placed five of his amazing stone sculptures.
- Kate Taylor Studio placed 11 of her colorful abstract pieces.
- Jason Oliver’s Wire Roots placed four works with excited collectors.
- Dodge Williams placed three of his paintings.

For more information, visit www.art-sandiego.com.

About Art San Diego

Art San Diego 2019, presented by UBS Financial Services, will take place October 17-20, 2019, at the Wyland Center at the Del Mar Fairgrounds. Art San Diego has emerged as one of the best-attended cultural events in Southern California. Founded in 2009 as the first and only contemporary art show in San Diego, Art San Diego is a four-day art event that features more than 500 leading contemporary artists and offers dynamic programming that includes museum exhibitions, Art Labs, events, and Art Talks focused on collecting. Art San Diego provides a focus on San Diego’s vibrant and diverse cultural art scene alongside an exciting collection of international galleries and artists. For more information, visit www.art-sandiego.com.

About Redwood Media Group

Since 2009, Redwood Media Group (RMG) has been revolutionizing the global fine art community by helping artists and gallery owners grow their businesses through fine art exhibitions and publications, art business education, mentoring, marketing, and social media.

Today, RMG owns and operates six fine art shows: Artexpo New York, Spectrum Miami, Red Dot Miami, Art San Diego, and Art Santa Fe. Artexpo New York, the world's largest fine art trade show for 40 years and counting, attracts more than 40,000 art enthusiasts every year, including nearly 5,000 industry buyers. Spectrum Miami and Red Dot Miami take place during Miami Art Week, an annual attraction that draws over 100,000 art collectors to the city. Over the past eight years, RMG has welcomed hundreds of thousands of visitors to their events, sold millions of dollars worth of art, and helped thousands of unrepresented and established artists launch or grow their careers. Aside from hosting multiple high-end art shows throughout the year, RMG also owns *Art Business News*.

For more information, visit www.redwoodmg.com, www.artexponewyork.com, www.art-sandiego.com, www.spectrum-miami.com, www.artsantafe.com, www.reddotmiami.com and www.artbusinessnews.com,

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Event Photos:

<https://www.flickr.com/photos/artexpo/albums/72157674668436658/page1/>

Thursday's Opening Night Preview Party video here:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?time_continue=1&v=Kh9r0R32Ww4

Friday's Highlights video with award presentations:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=p5Lse9jvtqI>

Palette of Desserts: <https://www.dropbox.com/sh/qnhixppz4gotw7j/AAAr-pGTZYV5C-0HG4DEB74a?dl=0>

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