10 Must-See Exhibitions During Art Week Dubai 2016

Art Week Dubai returns in 2016 from March 13-19 with an event lineup that celebrates the diversity and dynamism of Dubai’s art scene.

Spanning art, design, and culture, this year’s expanded program further establishes the city of Dubai as an important and influential meeting point on the global art map.

Art Dubai, the leading international art fair in the Middle East, Africa, and South Asia, celebrates its 10th anniversary in 2016 from March 16-19.

One of three flagship Art Week Dubai events, Art Dubai 2016 brings together a diverse lineup of 94 galleries from 40 countries to the Madinat Jumeirah.
Running parallel with Art Dubai from March 14-18 is Dubai Design Days, the Middle East and South Asia’s only annual fair dedicated to purchasable, modern, and contemporary design works.

Retaining its position as the world’s most diverse design fair, Design Days Dubai returns to “The Venue” in Downtown Dubai for its fifth edition in 2016 with an exciting roster of 47 galleries and studios.

For the first time in 2016, the artist-led SIKKA Art Fair will expand its focus to include creative works in visual and performing arts, music, and film by GCC-based artists.

Taking place in the heart of Dubai from March 13-24, SIKKA Art Fair 2016 will focus on identifying the UAE and the wider GCC region’s aspiring and emerging local talent.

Other key events of the Art Week Dubai program include Art Nights at Gate Village, Alserkal and AlQuoz Galleries Night, RCA Secret Dubai, and the Global Art Forum.

Expanding beyond the borders of Dubai, the impressive lineup of exhibitions on show across the region’s commercial galleries and cultural institutions is one of the highlights of the week-long initiative.

To help navigate the plethora of shows on offer, BLOUIN ARTINFO has selected 10 must-see exhibitions to see during the Art Week Dubai 2016 event.

**The selection includes exhibitions at Leila Heller Gallery:** Tashkeel, Custot Gallery, Salsali Private Museum, Green Art Gallery, Sharjah Art Foundation, Isabelle van den Eynde Gallery, Alserkal Avenue, NYUAD Art Gallery, and Barjeel Art Foundation.

“White Domes” at Leila Heller Gallery Dubai is a solo show by Iranian-American artist Y.Z. Kami. Spanning the gallery’s three exhibition spaces, the artist’s sprawling installation includes paintings, works on paper, and a sculptural intervention.

**March 9 to April 19, 2016**

**Location:** Leila Heller Gallery Dubai, l-87, Alserkal Avenue

**Open:** Saturdays to Thursdays, 10:00 – 19:00