CONTEMPORARY ISTANBUL IS DELIGHTED TO ANNOUNCE THE LATEST SELECTION COMMITTEE FOR ITS 12TH EDITION

Contemporary Istanbul has confirmed the latest selection committee for its 12th edition, which will take place between 14-17 September 2017 at the Istanbul Congress Center (ICC) and Istanbul Convention and Exhibition Centre (ICEC).

Comprised of prominent collectors and art professionals, the committee will be tasked with selecting the final list of art galleries that will take part in the art fair. The Selection Committee for the 12th anniversary of CI include; Yeşim Turanlı (Founder and Director of P.ARTWORKS Istanbul/London); Kemal Has Cingilhoğlu (Collector); Alexander Heller (Co-founder of Leila Heller Gallery Dubai and Curator); Nathalie Mamane Cohen (Collector); Haldun Dostoğlu (Founder and Director of Galeri Nev Istanbul); Marc Oliver Wahler (Curator and Critic) and Kamiar Maleki (Collector and Curator).

Kamiar Maleki

Kamiar Maleki, a prominent London based collector and curator, is the director of CI. With 15 years of experience in the contemporary art world in collecting and patronage, Maleki has developed a significant interest in emerging artists. Maleki is a founding member of the ICA’s Young Patrons and is a Young Patron to Parasol Unit Foundation and Tate.

Haldun Dostoğlu

Haldun Dostoğlu established Galeri Nev with Ali Artun in 1984 and established Istanbul Galeri Nev in 1987, organizing more than 250 exhibitions at the gallery. A curator for several important exhibitions such Dostoğlu has also edited monographs and catalogues for more than 100 artists. Haldun Dostoğlu also advises on numerous private collections.
LEILA HELLER GALLERY

Marc Oliver Wahler

Marc-Olivier Wahler is the Artistic Advisor of CI. Currently, Wahler is the founder and director of Chalet Society, Paris: an exhibition space that goes beyond the white box and drives into ideas, education, creation, and collection all in a community space. From 2006, until he founded the Chalet Society in 2012, Wahler was the director of the Palais de Tokyo in Paris, and was the founding editor of Palais/ Magazine.

Yeşim Turanlı

Yeşim Turanlı founded Pi Artworks in Istanbul in 1998. In 2013 Pi Artworks opened a second venue in the bustling Fitzrovia district of central London, becoming the first Turkish gallery to branch out internationally. Since 2013 Yeşim Turanlı sits on the Tate Modern Middle-East acquisitions committee.

Alexander Heller

Alexander Heller is a partner at Leila Heller Gallery and co-founder of Leila Heller Gallery Dubai. Overseeing the Dubai gallery program and secondary market operations of the gallery, Heller works within both a Middle Eastern and Western context.

Nathalie Mamane Cohen

After more than 20 years occupying senior positions in investment and private banking, including Executive Director of Banque de Neuflize in charge of Private Banking, Nathalie Mamane Cohen re-focused her career toward her passion, contemporary art. After studying at Ecole du Louvre, she is now a member of several acquisition committees at major museums, including PAC of Musée National d’Art Moderne-Georges Pompidou, as well as the MoMA Photography Committee.

Kemal Has Cingilcioğlu

Born into a prominent art collecting family, London based Kemal Has Cingilcioğlu is deeply engaged in the international art world, being affiliated with several prestigious arts institutions around the world. In addition to sitting on the Christie’s European Advisory Board, he is also a member of the Collectors Council for the Guggenheim Museum and the Tate International Council. Cingilcioğlu has been featured in ARTnews 'Top 200 collectors' for the last three years.