

80 art galleries from 24 countries meet in Istanbul



The second ArtInternational art fair will be held at Haliç Congress Center in Istanbul from Sept. 26 to 28. Art enthusiasts will enjoy artwork from 80 different galleries from 24 countries around the globe, including Finland, the United States, China, and Saudi Arabia.

Twelve galleries from Turkey were chosen by the selection committee after considering their past success at international exhibitions. Along with last year's participating galleries –Galeri Mana, NON, Pi Artworks, PILOT, Rampa, Art Sümer, and x-ist – the fair will host four new Turkish galleries, including Dirimart, Galeri Nev, Rodeo and Sanatorium for the first time.

ArtInternational 2014 will bring together some of the most iconic names in contemporary art. London's Andipa Gallery will exhibiting art work from David Hockey, Banksy and Damien Hirst, not to mention some pieces from the revolutionary "pop art" pioneer Andy Warhol.

Visitors will be able to view the work of Peter Burke, one of the most famous sculpturists known for his steel and iron works featuring the human form. The 2003 Turner Prize Winner, Grayson Perry, who is mostly known for his ceramic vases, will present his autobiographical work entitled "Claire," where he is depicted as his female alter-ego.

ArtInternational, regarded as one of the highlights of last year's arts events, will be managed by director Dyala Nusseibeh, and artistic director Stephane Ackermann. The selection committee includes Olivier Belot (Galerie Yvon Lambert, Paris), Ursula Krinzinger (Galerie Krinzinger, Vienna), Leila Heller (Leila Heller Gallery, New York), Leyla Tara Suyabatmaz (Rampa Gallery, Istanbul) and Yesim Turanlı (PI Artworks, Istanbul-London). The organization of the fair is handled by global events company Angus Montgomery and leading fair organizer in Turkey, Fiero Milano Interteks.