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10 Great Artworks at Art Platform Los Angeles Art Fair

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The author enjoying the menu at Rachel Lee Hovnanian's Cafe

1. Rachel Lee Hovnanian (NYC)

Also commissioned by the fair organizers as a public installation work, Hovnanian's remarkable *Cafe* was an interactive public performance installation nestled amongst gallery booths, featuring a pair of sunny, hospitable waitresses with sugar-sweet Texas accents offering coffee and a menu of free snacks to all comers. Bacon, pecan pie, and pulled pork arrived in the form of fragrant, authentically tasty jelly candies that required an adventurous spirit to consume. The entire experience was charming and a little scary, but ultimately a resounding take on the ideas of beauty, technology, authenticity, artificiality, appetite, and access that characterize the art world itself. *rachelhovnanian.com*.