

January Art Fair Preview

Celebrating Five Centuries of Fine Art

It promises to be another record-breaking year for the Los Angeles Art Show, which has fast become one of the most prestigious art fairs in the country.

Now in its 13th year, the highly anticipated Los Angeles Art Show brings together over 80 distinguished international art galleries at the Barker Hangar at the Santa Monica Airport from Thursday, January 24 through Sunday, January 27, 2008.

Presented by the Fine Art Dealers Association (FADA), the event will showcase an array of fine art from the 16th century to the present, allowing art lovers and collectors to view and purchase *Five Centuries of Fine Art* from destinations around the globe. Offering a diverse range of styles and pricing, the Los Angeles Art Show caters to both the beginning and advanced collector alike. The show highlights art from Old Masters to Contemporary, including photography and sculpture.

Records were set at the 2007 show with more than \$15 million worth of art sold and 20,000 people attending the event. The Opening Night Gala also set records with more than 4,000 people in attendance, including celebrities such as Barbra Streisand, Angelina Jolie, Warren Beatty, Annette Benning and Kevin Bacon who were spotted browsing and purchasing artwork for their personal collections.

This year's Opening Night Gala, which will be Wednesday evening, January 23, 2008, will be attended by international art connoisseurs, prominent art figures and celebrities. The evening will feature renowned musicians and will be catered by some of Los Angeles' most acclaimed restaurants. All proceeds of the Opening Night Gala will benefit the Art Museum Council of the Los Angeles County Museum of Art.



George Billis Gallery, *Drive-Up Donuts*, oil on canvas, 60 x 40", by Terry Thompson

Rehs Galleries, Inc., *Man with Dove*, gouache on paper, 1972x 25 1/2", by Ugo O. Giannini!



"The Fine Art Dealers Association is proud to celebrate the 13th anniversary of The Los Angeles Art Show. The exhibition has gained tremendous momentum with record-setting attendance and sales," says Howard Rehs, President of FADA. "The public is really responding to the expanded focus of the show and the variety and quality of the art. The show and the arts and culture scene in Southern California has really come into its own."

The art fair will host leading galleries including Arcadia Fine Arts of New York, Cline Dale Fine Arts of Arizona, Gallery Henoch of New York, George Billis Gallery of New York, Gerald Peters Gallery of New York, J. Cacciola Gallery of North York, Jerald Melberg Gallery of North Carolina, Rehs Galleries, Inc. of New York, Sullivan Goss, An American Gallery of California, and Winston Wachter Fine

The LA Art Show will once again be held at Barker Hangar in Santa Monica Airport.



Gallery Henoch, *Karen Jean*, oil on canvas, 66 x 30", by Stephen Wright





Sullivan Goss, An American Gallery, *Night Still Life*,
oil on canvas, 30 x 32", by Martha Mayer Erlebacher



Art of Washington.

The George Billis Gallery will display works by several artists, including **Joseph Piccillo, Terry Thompson, and Jorge Santos.**

"The LA Art Show has developed into the preeminent art fair in Los Angeles. As a dealer, it is the fair I most look forward to each year," says George Billis. "The variety of work on display and the quality job done by the fair organizers brings in a varied group of serious collectors. From cutting edge contemporary to secondary market artworks, a high level of refinement carries throughout."

American Art Collector, which was instrumental in drawing visitors to last year's record-breaking show, joins the event once again as a media sponsor. We invite our readers to visit our booth to learn more about how the magazine continues to close the gap between artists, collectors and galleries. ●

Arcadia Gallery, *Listening to the Rain*,
oil on canvas, 52 x 52", by Zhao Kai Lin

Fine Art Dealers Association's 13th Annual Los Angeles Art Show

Where: Barker Hangar, Santa Monica Airport,
3021 Airport Avenue, Santa Monica, CA

When: January 24-27, 2008

Opening Night Gala: Wednesday, January 23,
7 to 10 p.m.

Hours:

Thursday, Jan 24 noon to 7 p.m.

Friday, Jan. 25 noon to 8 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 26 noon to 8 p.m.

Sunday, Jan. 27 noon to 6 p.m.

Admission:

Opening Night Gala Tickets \$200 per person

General Admission: \$20 per person

Tickets for members of participating museums
are available at half price.

(catalogues are an additional \$10 at the door)

Information:

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