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Ai Weiwei: Good Fences Make Good Neighbors

Presented by Public Art Fund, renowned Chinese artist and activist Ai Weiwei's latest project is his largest and most ambitious public art exhibition to date, comprising more than 300 individual installations across five boroughs of New York. Addressing the international migration crisis and current global geopolitical landscape, the exhibition uses the security fence as a social and artistic symbol, with large-scale, site-specific installations at three major parks in the city, including a 13m-tall cage-like structure installed beneath Washington Square Arch, crafted by UAP. Ai has also created a series of 200 banners that appear in all five boroughs on lampposts, each incorporating portraits of immigrants and photographs of refugees that have been taken by the artist at refugee camps worldwide.

Ai's work can also be seen at the Amsterdam Light Festival, running until January 21, where his new work *thinline* challenges viewers to think about the meaning of borders. The artwork covers a distance of 6.5km and connects works of art with the canals.

Good Fences Make Good Neighbors

Until February 11

Various locations in New York
publicartfund.org

Exhibitions

HONG KONG

1. The World of Tintin

Organised by Hong Kong Contemporary Art (HOCA) Foundation in collaboration with Belgium's Musée Hergé, this is the largest presentation of the global icon Tintin in Hong Kong to date with a showcase of eight albums from the renowned *The Adventures of Tintin* series. The exhibition traces Belgian illustrator Hergé's path from his first stories to mature works, and features three specially created models of Tintin scenes, evoking the artist's magical world and limitless imagination. A series of educational comic-art workshops will be tailored for students in collaboration with local schools and three pop-up shops located at ArtisTree, Cityplaza and Central.

Until December 26

ArtisTree, Quarry Bay
hoca.org

2. Remains: New Works by Vhils

Portuguese visual artist Vhils' first gallery exhibition in Hong Kong features a new body of work developed in and inspired by Hong Kong, weaving a poetic tale of the city he has lived in for the past two years. The exhibition is a multi-layered view of his Hong Kong experience based on a variety of source materials – from advertisements collected in the streets to photographs of the urban landscape carved in wooden doors, acid-etched metal plates, polystyrene dioramas, and hand-carved billboards. The series of works embody his core concepts of exploring symbolic reflections on identity, urban life, and the passage of time, bringing with him the relationship of interdependence between people and the environment.

Until January 5

Over The Influence Gallery, Central
facebook.com/overtheinfluencehk



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3. Ettore Sottsass – Objects

Curated by Stefano Tordiglione, founder of ST Design, this exhibition is a satellite event of Business of Design Week and deTour 2017 and also a celebration of the centenary of the birth of maestro of Italian design Ettore Sottsass, featuring a body of work encompassing furniture, jewellery, glass and lighting. It also seeks to celebrate this milestone of Italian design and its impact on contemporary design development, and highlights the marriage of beauty and functionality in the form of product design evident in prominent brands such as Alessi, Kartell, Artemide and the gallery Novalis.

December 4-9

Stefano Tordiglione Design, 4-5/F, 86 Jervois Street, Sheung Wan
stdesign.it

4. Walking with Gaudí

A collaboration with Barcelona's Gaudí Exhibition Center, Casa Batlló and the Gaudí Research Institute, this is Asia's first official exhibition about the influential 19th century Spanish architect. Featuring reproductions of

Gaudí's signature mosaic salamander and snake benches in Park Güell and the knight sculptures of Casa Milà, as well as photographs and VR videos, visitors are able to experience the architect's visionary creations and the relationship between his works and aspects of Chinese culture. Also showcased is a collection of Gaudí's design tools, artefacts and architectural models of Casa Batlló, all displayed for the first time in Asia.

Until January 1
Telford Plaza Phase 1&2, Kowloon Bay
facebook.com/TelfordPlaza

5. Hot is Cool: A Cultural Dialogue between Finland and Hong Kong

Hot is Cool looks at the reimagining of public spaces. Finnish architect Ville Hara and Hong Kong architect Stanley Siu each create a 'pavilion' and a 'sauna': symbols representing their respective homes. The two seemingly opposite ends of a thermometer share a function of socialisation and seek to explore the meaning of and ways of utilising public space in the context of our daily lives.

December 8-13
Hong Kong Cultural Centre Piazza, Tsim Sha Tsui
culturefortomorrow.org

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6. From One Louvre to Another: Opening a Museum for Everyone

Celebrating the official opening of Louvre Abu Dhabi, the museum's inaugural exhibition, *From One Louvre to Another: Opening a Museum for Everyone*, traces the history of Musée du Louvre in Paris from the 18th century onwards. The exhibition features approximately 150 significant paintings, sculptures and decorative arts, mainly from the collections of Musée du Louvre, but also from the Château de Versailles. The museum also houses more than 600 important artworks and artefacts by modern masters and contemporary installations.

From December 21
Louvre Abu Dhabi, UAE
louvrealabudhabi.ae

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Events



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HONG KONG

1. Business of Design Week

Organised by the Hong Kong Design Centre and the Hong Kong Trade Development Council (HKTDC), Business of Design Week (BODW) draws innovators and brands for an opportunity to exchange views and explore collaboration. Seminars cover themes such as Brands & Innovation, Communication & Design, Product & Design, Design for Asia and Heritage & Design. Architects, designers and influential business figures join the line-up of speakers for various themed sessions. Italy returns as the official partner country, with leading Italian and international designers participating under the curatorial theme *Italy Makes a Difference*, offering a fresh perspective towards design-driven innovation through a dialogue between Italy and Hong Kong. *December 4-9*
Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre bodw.com

2. DesignInspire

Organised by HKTDC, DesignInspire is an annual international creative exhibition that provides an exchange platform for creatives, global design brands, associations and institutes to showcase their creativity via an array of interactive exhibitions,



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installations, discussions, workshops and retail pop-ups. This year's thematic pavilion, entitled *Urbanovation*, aims to stimulate design thinking about how to create a happier city in the future through three aspects: lifestyle, health and living space. The expo also partners with BODW annually and this year's partner country Italy will present the latest design-driven innovations. *December 7-9*
Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre designinspire.com.hk

3. Rethinking Pei:

A Centenary Symposium

In celebration of IM Pei's 100th birthday this year, this symposium gathers together more than 30 speakers, including scholars, associates, colleagues and friends of Pei to provide new opportunities to research this renowned but under-theorised architect. It also examines Pei's work through formal, spatial, social, cultural, and geopolitical lenses – spanning architecture and urbanism across the USA, Asia, Europe, and the Middle East. *December 14-15*
Department of Architecture, The University of Hong Kong arch.hku.hk

4. deTour 2017

December 1-10
PMQ, Central, Hong Kong detour.hk



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5. Fashion Asia 2017

December 6-7
Theatre 1, HKCEC, Hong Kong fashionasiabhk.com

6. Techstyle Series 2.1: Fabpublic! – Talking about Textile, Community and Public Space

December 9-10
Lu Guan Qiu Lecture Theatre, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University mill6.org.hk

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7. HOTELEX Guangzhou 2017

December 12-14
Poly World Trade Center, Guangzhou, China en.jiagle.com/hotelex-guangzhou-exhibition

8. The Architect and Interior Expo

December 22-24
Chennai Trade Centre, India chennaitradecentre.org

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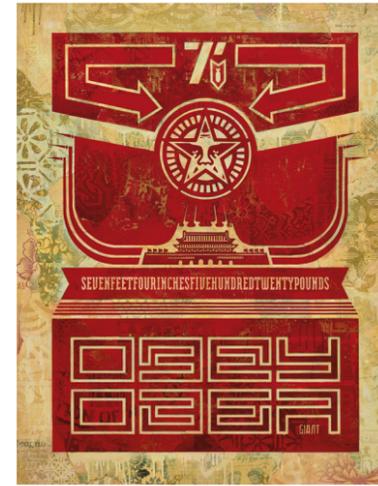
9. Amsterdam Light Festival

Until January 21
Various locations in Amsterdam amsterdamlightfestival.com

10. Esprit Meuble furniture show

December 2-5
Porte de Versailles, Paris, France espritmeuble.com

Auctions & Books



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11. Full LED Expo

December 13-14
Cite Centre des Congrès, Lyon, France full-ledexpo.com

12. Architect@work Germany 2017

December 6-7
dusseldorf.architectatwork.de

13. Design Miami

December 6-10
miami2017.designmiami.com

14. Albert Frey and Lina Bo Bardi: A Search for Living Architecture

Until January 7
Palm Springs Art Museum Psmuseum.org

AUCTIONS

1. Boundless/Take It to the Streets

Sotheby's Hong Kong is presenting *Boundless: Contemporary Art*, a cross-disciplinary auction of modern and contemporary works and design pieces by leading artists from both Asia and the West. The selection ranges from paintings, sculptures and design pieces.



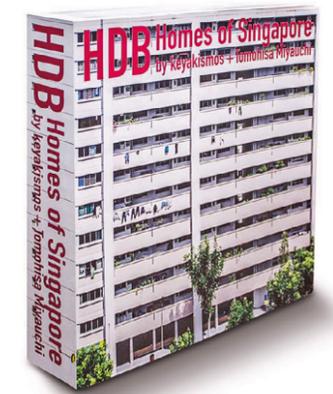
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Highlights include works by Zao Wou-Ki, Chu Teh-Chun, Pablo Picasso, Marc Chagall and Gerhard Richter.

Sotheby's benefit auction *Take It to the Streets* will raise funds for Hong Kong Contemporary Art (HOCA) Foundation's future exhibitions, public art events and educational programmes. It features 32 works donated by 29 international artists, including a selection of street art and works varying in style and media, featuring established artists such as Invader, Vhils, Shepard Fairey and José Parlá. Both auctions take place on December 8 in Hong Kong.
sothebys.com

2. Art of Japan

Christie's London Japanese art sale auction comprises 130 items of Japanese decorative ornaments, samurai swords, cabinets, cosmetic boxes, porcelain, lacquerware and maps from private collections around the world encompassing periods from the late 17th (Edo and Meiji periods) to the early 20th century. Modern and contemporary art is also showcased with works from movements such as Gutai and



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Mono-ha. The auction takes place on December 5 in London.
christies.com

BOOKS

3. HDB: Homes of Singapore

By Keyakismos and Tomohisa Miyauchi

This compendium, by Japanese artist duo Keyakismos (Tamae Iwasaki and fine-art printer Eitaro Ogawa) partnering with architect Tomohisa Miyauchi, is a celebration of the art and culture of Singaporean homes. Featuring more than 600 images, it serves as a guide to the city's distinctive HDB (Housing and Development Board) flats and showcases innovative interior alternatives to rigid mainstream design. It is a pictorial journey through photographs taken over three years that portrays the diversity, culture, individuality, colours and creativity found within public-housing. The commentary is based on interviews with a broad cross section of residents.
gatehousepublishing.com