

## Mini-Art Basel open, Andy Warhol, Yayoi Kusama and Yoshitomo Nara works for auction at Christie's – Hong Kong art market is buzzing

- Galleries report healthy interest at Hong Kong Spotlight by Art Basel fair, Christie's reports record presale estimates for modern and contemporary art sales
- The start of the city's fourth wave of Covid-19 has not deterred art fans, with queues forming outside the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre



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The start of the city's fourth wave of Covid-19 has not deterred art fans from attending Hong Kong Spotlight By Art Basel. Photo: Dickson Lee

This week, Hong Kong is seeing a sharp rise in Covid-19 cases, but you wouldn't know it from all the events still going on in the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre in Wan Chai.

Inside, Christie's launches its nine-day autumn auctions in Hall 3C on Friday. Next door, in Halls 3F-G, a mini-Art Basel contemporary art fair and this year's edition of Fine Art Asia opened on Thursday, with gallerists reporting a promising level of interests from local buyers. The centre is also hosting the Hong Kong Jewelry Manufacturers' Association fair this week.

Hong Kong Spotlight By Art Basel is a 22-booth fair featuring galleries that have a permanent physical space in the city. It is a stopgap in between this



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