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FINE ART ASIA: WHERE CLASSIC AND CONTEMPORARY CONVERGE

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Fine Art and Rare Antiques lovers alert!

Fine Art Asia 2021 will return to the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre from **Friday 8 to Monday 11 October**.

Founded in 2006 by Hong Kong art experts, Fine Art Asia has become Asia's leading international fine art fair, providing an unrivalled annual platform for art and antiques from both East and West. Since its origin, the aim has remained to present an impressive collection of museum-quality fine art spanning 5,000 years of cultural history from the Neolithic period to these days, from world-class Asian and Western antiques and jewellery, to modern and contemporary art and design, ink art and photography.

Due to continuing travel restrictions, the spotlight for the 2021 edition will once again be on Hong Kong art and antiques galleries, as well as its leading art institutions. Embracing the new digital and NFT art trend, the fair will also host an exclusive exhibition area dedicated to NFT art.

Special NFT Art Exhibitions

Fine Art Asia is the first major fine art fair to introduce NFT works and to curate a large-sale cross-sector collaboration in the pursuit of innovative ideas, showcasing three exhibitions combining ancient, modern art and virtual technology.

The first exhibition is an NFT auction in cooperation with **HK01 Joyful Foundation**, paying tribute to Hong Kong's athletes and their participation to Tokyo Olympics. All proceeds will be donated to the Sports Federation and Olympic Committee of Hong Kong, China.

In the second exhibition, well-known comic artist Jerry Cho and animation artist Step C will create NFT artworks about art and culture from the past Chinese dynasties, with the aim to make antiques more accessible to the public.

In the third exhibition *Crystal Clear*, limited editions of jewellery pieces made of antique gold ornaments by actress Crystal Fung Ying Ying and representing the three stages of life - seeds, flowers and fruits – would be exchanged with NFTs.

Highlights from the galleries

Among the renowned and returning antique exhibitors, **Rossi & Rossi** (London/Hong Kong) will showcase Himalayan and Indian antiques, as well as contemporary works by US-based Tibetan artist Tenzing Rigdol. **Rasti Chinese Art** (Hong Kong) will curate an exhibition from the rarely seen Kirknorton Collection of Chinese jades and bronzes featuring animal carvings spanning almost 3,000 years.



Amitayus Tibet,
14th century Distemper on cloth, H. Rossi & Rossi

Maria Kiang Chinese Art (Hong Kong) will present rare scholar's objects, along with modern Western and Asian design works exhibited by **88 Gallery** (Hong Kong). **Wui Po Kok** (Hong Kong) will showcase ancient Chinese art, while **Orientique** (Hong Kong) will feature fine quality Chinese Imperial ceramics and rare works of Chinese art.

In the art section, **Hanart TZ Gallery** (Hong Kong) will exhibit modern and contemporary art by featured artists Inga Svala Thórsdóttir, Wu Shanzhuan and BuZi. **Grotto Fine Arts** (Hong Kong) will showcase Hong Kong artists such as Wai Pong Yu and Xie Chenguan.



Xie Chengxuan. Hug II, 2021,
Grotto Fine Art, Hong Kong

Tanya Baxter Contemporary (London/Hong Kong) will be exhibiting modern British artists such as Lucian Freud, Francis Bacon, or David Hockney. **YAWN** (Hong Kong) will present its latest creations of art jewellery inspired by the Imperial dynasties.

In addition to returning galleries and exhibitors, Fine Art Asia will also welcome new galleries this year. **Ben Brown Fine Arts** (London/Hong Kong/Palm Beach) will present a video work by renowned British couple Rob and Nick Carter. **de Sarthe Advisory** (Hong Kong) will showcase works by 20th century masters like Atsuko Tanaka and Max Ernst. **The Gallery by SOIL** (Hong Kong) will be the first gallery to focus on contemporary lacquer works by Asian artists.



Atsuko Tanaka, 1976, de Sarthe
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Talks and Lectures

Fine Art Asia 2021 will also reunite high-profile education partners this year, **Ink Society**, **Hong Kong Palace Museum** and **Hong Kong Art School**, and will host a diverse Academic Programme of lectures and seminars with about thirty experts different art fields, to strengthen discussion and interaction between scholars, galleries and collectors. In addition, the Hong Kong Palace Museum will present a series of dance and musical performances. Details here: [Fine Art Asia: Academic Programme](#)

Before heading to the fair, you can find all the details and schedule here: [Fine Art Asia 2021](#)

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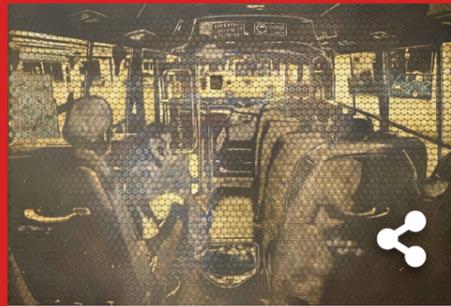
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