



## **The 5th edition of the Barcelona Gallery Weekend 2019 reveals the participating galleries and artists**

- Barcelona Gallery Weekend will have the participation of 27 galleries and more than 50 artists in the 2019 edition.
- This not-to-be-missed contemporary art event in Spain will celebrate its fifth edition from 10th to 13th October 2019.
- Both local and foreign artists will place Barcelona on the international contemporary art scene.
- Programmes aimed at professionals, collectors and the general public will highlight the crucial role of galleries in contemporary cultural heritage.
- *Composiciones*, the programme of artistic interventions in public places in Barcelona, will be curated this year by Juan Canela.

**Barcelona, 30 April 2019. - From 10th to 13th October, Barcelona Gallery Weekend will celebrate its fifth edition, establishing itself as an important date in the calendar of international events in the art world. 27 galleries, more than 50 artists and the most representative art spaces of Barcelona and its surroundings will come together to give visibility to the exhibition season, organised by Art Barcelona (Abe), Association of Contemporary Art Galleries who have 30 years of experience in the sector.**

**For the fifth consecutive year**, Barcelona Gallery Weekend will celebrate the exhibition season in and around Barcelona. The event, which promises to celebrate the rich and varied cultural fabric of Barcelona, will highlight the importance of contemporary art through the discovery of new artistic proposals, dissemination of information, supporting and enhancing the visibility of institutions in this extensive programme of 27 galleries holding exhibitions with their most prominent artists.

**More than 50 national and international artists** will give rise to a multicultural event in which the representation of foreign countries such as the **United Kingdom, Italy, Ukraine, Chile, Sweden, Turkey, Portugal and Argentina**, among others, will stand out. Established artists of the previous decades together with emerging artists of the energetic Barcelona art scene will take part in a programme that contemplates all disciplines, from painting to sculpture, installation, performance and photography, and will offer works from the historical avant-garde to the latest trends in contemporary art.

**With four editions behind it**, the fifth edition aims to give visibility to the role of galleries as promoters of contemporary cultural heritage through its twofold programme: **the professional programme** aimed mainly at collectors, art critics and representatives of both local and international institutions, and **the public programme** aimed at all people of Barcelona and its surroundings.

A defining sign that this is a lively, dynamic and constantly developing market is the fact that new galleries that have recently opened their doors are taking part in the 5th edition of the Barcelona Gallery Weekend. Cases such as **Alalimón**, **Dilalica** or the Valencian **Espai Tactel**, which has inaugurated its Barcelona headquarters in Gràcia under the name **Espai Tactel.Toormix**, join **Bombon Projects** and **Arte Aurora**, both established in the last three years.

In addition, some artists from Art Barcelona galleries will participate in the 58th **Venice Biennale 2019**, such as **Itziar Okariz** - represented by **etHALL** - who will represent Spain together with Sergio Prego (a project curated by Peio Aguirre), and the artists representing Catalonia with an Artist's Book as part of the exhibition "Catalonia in Venice\_To Lose Your Head (Idols)": **Perejaume**, represented by **Nogueras Blanchard** and **Joan Prats**, **Lúa Coderch** and **Daniela Ortiz**, represented by **àngels barcelona**, and **Lola Lasurt**, represented by **Joan Prats**.

This year's participating artists include well-known names on the international scene such as the Italian **Riccardo Licata**, painter, engraver, mosaicist, sculptor and designer deeply influenced by music; the British **Emma Kay**, known for working with subjectivity and memory and for being the first artist to design the cover of the London Underground Map or the American **Alex Katz**, considered one of the forerunners of Pop Art.

We will also have important names from the national scene such as **Antoni Tàpies**, one of the world's leading exponents of informalism; **Gerard Mas**, a sculptor who starts from the classical but gives his characters grotesque attitudes; **Antonio Saura**, representative of Spanish abstract expressionism; **Eduardo Chillida**, a sculptor and engraver known for his works in iron and concrete; or **Magda Bolumar**, a plastic artist linked to the artistic avant-garde of the central decades of the 20th century.

Emerging artists will also have their place in the artistic programme of the Barcelona Gallery Weekend with a national and international line-up such as Barcelona's **Josep Maynou**, a multidisciplinary creator who expands his horizons towards performative territories, textile work, drawing and installations that bring together popular consumer objects; the visual artistic duo of Puerto Rico and South Africa **Christto & Andrew**; the Santander painter **Vicky Uslé**, explorer of the poetic potential of abstraction or the Argentine **Joaquín Lalanne**, surrealist painter with allusions to Chirico, the Baroque, Pop, Street Art and the vindication of art as a space of freedom.

## 27 galleries

These are the galleries that will participate in the Barcelona Gallery Weekend 2019 programme: **3 Punts Galeria, ADN Galería, Alalimón, Àmbit Galeria d'Art, Ana Mas Projects, àngels barcelona, Arte Aurora, Artur Ramon Art, Bombon Projects, Die Ecke arte contemporáneo, Dilalica, Espai Tactel Toormix, etHALL, Galería Carles Taché, Galeria Contrast, Galeria Joan Prats, Galeria Marc Domènech, Galeria Toni Tàpies, L&B Gallery, Mayoral, Nogueras Blanchard, Palmadotze Galeria d'art, Pigment Gallery, RocioSantaCruz, Sala Parés, Víctor Lope Arte Contemporáneo and Galería Zielinsky.**

## More than 50 artists

These are the artists who will participate in the next edition of Barcelona Gallery Weekend: **Alex Katz, Anna Ill, Antonio Saura, Antoni Tàpies, Christto & Andrew, Cynthia Fusillo, Diogo Pimentão, Dirk Salz, Eduardo Chillida, Emma Kay, Francisca Benítez, Francisco Suárez, Gerard Mas, Gonzalo Sicre, Gustavo Pérez, Irma Álvarez-Laviada, Itziar Okariz, Jaime Pitarch, Jordi Mitjà, Joaquín Lalanne, José Luis Paz Fo, Josep Guinovart, Josep Maynou, Juan Uslé, Lindsay Howard, Luis Coquenão, Luis Feito, Luis Úrculo, Magda Bolumar, Manolo Millares, Maria Pratts, Marta Fàbregas, Meta Isæus-Berlin, Nazif Topçuoglu, Núria Rion, Oksana Mas, Patricia Betancur, Patrik Grijalvo, Pere Gastó, Rafael Canogar, Rafols Casamada, Raphaël Barontini, Riccardo Licata, Rocío Verdejo, Shona Kitchen, Vanesa Muñoz, Vicky Uslé,** and more to be unveiled soon.

## Parallel activities / Collateral events

Simultaneously and for the fifth consecutive year, Barcelona Gallery Weekend will implement an extensive public programme of activities outside the galleries that will include:

**Composiciones**, which brings together artistic interventions in public spaces in the city, this year curated by Juan Canela, co-founder of BAR project and member of the HANGAR Barcelona programme committee, with the participation of artists **Mercedes Mangrané (Ana Más Projects), Felipe Mujica (Die Ecke), Erick Beltrán (Joan Prats), Daniela Ortiz (àngels barcelona) and Marc Vives (etHall).**

**Acquisitions Programme**, to foster the acquisitions of works aimed at foundations and private companies.

**Artévete**, with the aim of promoting closer ties with the art market and galleries.

**ARCOGalleryWalk** which proposes visits to art galleries supported by the ARCO Foundation.

More information and details about these and other activities that comprise the four days of the 2019 edition will be announced soon.

## **About Art Barcelona**

Since it was founded in 1990, Art Barcelona has promoted joint initiatives by galleries dedicated to discovering, disseminating and supporting contemporary art. The Art Barcelona galleries, which actively participate in the circuit of the world's largest art fairs, work with the aim of expanding the city's cultural offerings, boosting its presence on the international art scene. Defending the role of the gallery owner as a promoter of cultural heritage and offering the public free access spaces, Art Barcelona is a platform for art trends, promoting new languages and new artists.

Art Barcelona promotes initiatives that attract visitors to galleries, to introduce people to these open spaces aimed at generating reflection and debate around contemporary culture. Participating actively in the cultural life of Barcelona, the association is involved in events that mark its recent history and plays a prominent role in platforms for debate and coordination of cultural strategies.

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## **Galleries and artists: Barcelona Gallery Weekend 2019**

### **3 Punts Galeria**

Gerard Mas (Spain)

### **ADN Galeria**

Group Exhibition

### **Alalimón**

Rocío Verdejo (Spain)

### **Àmbit Galeria d'Art**

Rafols Casamada (Spain)

Josep Guinovart (Spain)

Riccardo Licata (Italy)

Oksana Mas (Ukraine)

Vanesa Muñoz (Madrid)

José Luis Paz Fo (Spain)

### **Ana Mas Projects**

Irma Álvarez-Laviada (Spain)

### **àngels barcelona**

Jaime Pitarch (Spain)

### **Arte Aurora**

Patricia Bentacur (Uruguay)

### **Artur Ramon Art**

Gustavo Pérez (Mexico)

### **Bombon Projects**

Josep Maynou (Spain)

Jordi Mitjà (Spain)

### **Die Ecke arte contemporáneo**

Francisca Benítez (Chile)

### **Dilalica**

Shona Kitchen (UK)

Lindsay Howard (US)

### **Espai Tactel Toormix**

Christo & Andrew (Qatar / Denmark)

Raphaël Barontini (France)

Luis Úrculo (Spain)

### **etHALL**

Itziar Okariz (Spain)

### **Galeria Carles Taché**

Vicky Uslé (Spain)

### **Galeria Contrast**

Cynthia Fusillo (US / Spain)

### **Galeria Joan Prats**

Juan Uslé (Spain)

### **Galeria Marc Domènech**

Magda Bolumar (Spain)

**Galeria Toni Tàpies**

Alex Katz (US)

Emma Kay (UK)

Antoni Tàpies (Spain)

**L&B Gallery**

Anna Ill (Spain)

Meta Isæus-Berlin (Sweden)

Maria Pratts (Spain)

Núria Rion (Spain)

**Mayoral**

Rafael Canogar (Spain)

Eduardo Chillida (Spain)

Luis Feito (Spain)

Manolo Millares, (Spain)

Antonio Saura (Spain)

Antoni Tàpies (Spain)

**Nogueras Blanchard**

Curated by Carlos Fernández-

Pello (Spain)

**Palmadotze Galeria d'art**

Nazif Topçuoglu (Turkey)

**Pigment Gallery**

Luis Coquenão (Angola / Portugal)

Marta Fàbregas (Spain)

**RocioSantaCruz**

Diogo Pimentão (Portugal)

**Sala Parés | Espai 1**

Gonzalo Sicre (Spain)

**Sala Parés | Espai 2**

Pere Gastó (Spain)

**Victor Lope Arte Contemporáneo**

Patrik Grijalvo (Spain)

Francisco Suárez (Spain)

Dirk Salz (Germany)

**Galería Zielinsky**

Joaquín Lalanne (Argentina)

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