

Barcelona Gallery Weekend unveils more details of 2019 programme: Compositions, ARCO GalleryWalk, Acquisition Programme and further insights.

Barcelona, 11 July 2019. - For the fifth consecutive year, Barcelona Gallery Weekend celebrates galleries from and around Barcelona. From the 10th to the 13th October, Barcelona Gallery Weekend highlights the importance of contemporary art through the discovery of new artistic proposals, dissemination of information and curatorial practices, supporting and enhancing the visibility of an extensive programme of 27 galleries holding exhibitions with their most prominent artists.

- Over 70 artists, both local and foreign, place Barcelona on the international contemporary art and avant-garde scene during the four days of the art festival.
- Programmes aimed at professionals, collectors and the general public highlight the crucial role of galleries in contemporary cultural heritage.
- Simultaneously to the galleries exhibitions programme, Barcelona Gallery Weekend offers a public programme of activities, which include *Compositions*, ARCO GalleryWalk, Artévete, and Acquisition Programme.

With the aim of highlighting the importance of art in the cities-building process, the fifth edition of the event launches a new development for *Compositions*, the programme of artistic interventions specifically conceived for the four days of Barcelona Gallery Weekend that brings art outside the walls of the galleries' spaces. For the very first time, *Compositions* takes place in the public spaces of Barcelona, emphasising its accessibility and giving visibility to the role of galleries as promoters of contemporary cultural heritage. Curated this year by **Juan Canela**, co-founder of BAR project and associate researcher at osloBIENNALEN First Edition, the forthcoming *Compositions* programme puts the spotlight on discovering or revisiting iconic public spaces of Barcelona through the conjunction of contemporary artistic language, architecture and urbanism. Visitors will be able to see the interventions along any itinerary or guided tours designed by Barcelona Gallery Weekend to connect the participating galleries. 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), *Compositions* complements the general exhibition programme with interventions beyond the white cube.

As in previous editions, Barcelona Gallery Weekend offers different types of guided routes to the exhibitions in the programme, including itineraries specifically designed for professionals, for young collectors and for the general public. Among these guided itineraries, **Fundación ARCO** collaborates once again with Barcelona Gallery Weekend through the **ARCO** GalleryWalk, to bring the citizens and the galleries closer via first-hand experiences where gallerists, curators and artists present each exhibition in person, offering unique views on the shows. In a similar vein, Barcelona Gallery Weekend's initiative **Artévete** returns with a programme of meetings and visits both for art lovers and young collectors, seeking to further understanding their contemporary art market and to stimulate the acquisition of works through a dedicated calendar of art ambassador led programmes and special events. Artévete by Barcelona Gallery Weekend offers activities all over the year working as a collaborative art market tool for new potential buyers.

Furthermore, Barcelona Gallery Weekend unveils the institutions taking part in the 2019 Acquisition Programme, which commit to purchasing artworks from the participating galleries. Among the institutional and corporate acquisitions confirmed for the forthcoming Barcelona Gallery Weekend are: Fundació Vila Casas, a foundation devoted to contemporary Catalan art and comprised of four impressive exhibition spaces across Catalonia, Sir Victor, the luxurious, design-focused hotel new to Barcelona, the art space and artists residency LA PLACE, and Cuban art collection La Kole.

Sir Victor, a hotel that supports and promotes the Catalan art scene, also gives support to Barcelona Gallery Weekend's Professional Programme and will function as a meeting point and VIP desk.

Supporting the Professional Programme of Barcelona Gallery Weekend 2019, the law firm **Cuatrecasas** enhances, one more time, its contribution to the promotion of Barcelona's art scene.

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

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 Galería, 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, Galería Zielinsky, L&B Gallery, Mayoral, Nogueras Blanchard, Palmadotze Galeria d'art, Pigment Gallery, RocioSantaCruz, Sala Parés and Víctor Lope Arte Contemporáneo.

More than 70 artists

The artists who will participate in the next edition of Barcelona Gallery Weekend are: Abdelkader Benchamma, Adrian Melis, Alex Katz, Anna III, Antonio Saura, Antoni

Tàpies, Alfredo Rodríguez, Avelino Sala, Bouchra Khalili, Carlos Aires, Carlos Pazos, Christto & Andrew, Cynthia Fusillo, Claudia Maté, Daniel & Geo Fuchs, DEMOCRACIA, Diogo Pimentão, Dirk Salz, Eduardo Chillida, Eugenio Merino, Emma Kay, Federico Solmi, Francisca Benítez, Francisco Suárez, Gerard Mas, Gonzalo Sicre, Gustavo Pérez, Kendell Geers, Igor Eškinja, Irma Álvarez-Laviada, Itziar Okariz, Jaime Pitarch, Jordi Colomer, Jordi Mitjà, Joaquín Lalanne, José Luis Paz Fo, Juliana Cerqueira Leite, Jordi Colomer, Josep Guinovart, Josep Maynou, Juan Uslé, Lorna Mills, Luis Coquenão, Luis Úrculo, Magda Bolumar, Manuel Rivera, Margaret Harrison, María María Acha-Kutscher, Manolo Millares, Marcos Ávila-Forero, Marria Pratts, Marta Fàbregas, Meta Isæus-Berlin, mounir fatmi, Nazif Topçuoglu, Núria Güell, Núria Rion, Oksana Mas, Patricia Bentancur, Patrik Grijalvo, Pep Vidal, Pere Gastó, Rafael Canogar, Ràfols-Casamada, Raphaël Barontini, Riccardo Licata, Rocío Verdejo, Tobias Bernstrup, Shona Kitchen, Yogesh Barve, Vanesa Muñoz, Virginie Barré and Vicky Uslé.

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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Barcelona Gallery Weekend is part of GalleryWeekend.org.

Galleries and artists: Barcelona Gallery Weekend 2019

3 Punts GaleriaGerard Mas (Spain)

ADN Galeria

Jordi Colomer (Spain)
mounir fatmi (Morocco)
Kendell Geers (South Africa)
Bouchra Khalili (Morocco / France)

Carlos Pazos (Spain)

María María Acha-Kutscher (Peru)

Carlos Aires (Spain)

Marcos Ávila-Forero (Colombia)

Virginie Barré (France)

Abdelkader Benchamma (France)

Tobias Bernstrup (Sweden) DEMOCRACIA (Spain) Domènec (Spain)

Igor Eškinja (Croatia)

Daniel & Geo Fuchs (Germany)

Núria Güell (Spain)
Margaret Harrison (UK)
Adrian Melis (Cuba)
Eugenio Merino (Spain)
Carlos Pazos (Spain)
Bruno Peinado (France)
Avelino Sala (Spain)
Federico Solmi (Italy)
Pep Vidal (Spain)

Alalimón

Rocío Verdejo (Spain) Àmbit Galeria d'Art

Albert Ràfols-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 barcelonaJaime Pitarch (Spain)

Arte Aurora

Patricia Bentancur (Uruguay)

Artur Ramon Art

Gustavo Pérez (Mexico)

Bombon Projects

Curated by Sira Pizà Josep Maynou (Spain) Jordi Mitjà (Spain)

Die Ecke arte contemporáneo

Francisca Benítez (Chile)

Dilalica

Curated by Cristina Anglada,

Marialaura Ghidini, Kelani Nichole and

Louis-Charles Tiar: Yogesh Barve (India) Shona Kitchen (UK) Claudia Maté (Spain) Lorna Mills (Canada) Espai Tactel Toormix

Christto & Andrew (Qatar / Denmark)

Raphaël Barontini (France)

Luis Úrculo (Spain)

etHALL

Itziar Okariz (Spain) **Galeria Carles Taché**

Curated by Brett Littman, Director at

Noguchi Museum: 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 III (Spain)

Meta Isæus-Berlin (Sweden)

Marria Pratts (Spain) Núria Rion (Spain)

Mayoral

Rafael Canogar (Spain) Eduardo Chillida (Spain) Manuel Rivera (Spain) Antonio Saura (Spain) Manolo Millares, (Spain) Antoni Tàpies (Spain) **Nogueras Blanchard**

Curated by Carlos Fernández-

Pello (Spain)

Alfredo Rodríguez (Spain)

Juliana Cerqueira Leite (Brazil)

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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