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THE ARMORY SHOW AND ATHENA ART FINANCE PARTNER FOR THE SECOND ANNUAL PRESENTS BOOTH PRIZE SUPPORTING NEW AND EMERGING GALLERIES

Jurors Naomi Beckwith, Glenn Fuhrman, Marguerite Hoffman and Pamela Joyner Will Select the Winning Gallery on Wednesday, March 7

The Armory Show today announced details of the second annual **Presents Booth Prize**, which recognizes an outstanding and innovative gallery presentation within the Presents section of the fair. The Presents Booth Prize will again be underwritten by **Athena Art Finance**, awarding the winning gallery a \$10,000 prize.

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The 2018 Presents Booth Prize will be awarded by a jury of international collectors and curators: **Naomi Beckwith**, Marilyn and Larry Fields Curator at the Museum of Contemporary Art Chicago; **Glenn Fuhrman**, Collector and Founder of FLAG Art Foundation; **Marguerite Hoffman**, Collector; and **Pamela Joyner**, Collector and Philanthropist.

In 2017, its inaugural year, the Presents Booth Prize was awarded to Mariane Ibrahim Gallery (Seattle) for its exemplary solo-presentation of multi-media works by Zohra Opoku, a German and Ghanaian multidisciplinary artist living and working in Accra. The prize was awarded by a jury of curators and collectors consisting of Renee Drake, Collector; Massimiliano Gioni, Artistic Director of the New Museum; Ruba Katrib, Curator at MoMA PS1; Alain Servais, Collector; and Carole Server, Collector.

Nicole Berry, Executive Director of The Armory Show, stated: "The Presents section is an integral part of The Armory Show's identity, showcasing new voices and providing a platform for discoveries. It is often an entry point for burgeoning collectors who then become lifelong art lovers. We are thrilled to partner with Athena Art Finance for a second year on this exciting initiative, which will assist with the winning gallery's booth costs."

Andrea Danese, Chief Executive Officer of Athena Art Finance, added: "The Presents Booth Prize is a wonderful recognition of the fresh energy, creativity and dynamism showcased by today's young art galleries and the emerging artists they represent. As an advocate for a vibrant and flourishing art market at all levels, Athena Art Finance is honored to once again be supporting the Presents Booth Prize."

Participating artists and galleries in Presents:

80m2 Livia Benavides (Lima) | **Iosu Aramburu** (1986, Lima) & **Sandra Gamarra** (1971, Lima)
Sabrina Amrani Art Gallery (Madrid) | **Timothy Hyunsoo Lee** (1990, Seoul)
El Apartamento (Havana) | **Reynier Leyva Novo** (1983, Havana)
Arcade (London) | **Peggy Franck** (1978, The Netherlands)
Arredondo Arozarena (Mexico City) | **Daniel Monroy Cuevas** (1980, Guadalajara) & **Francisco Ugarte** (1973, Guadalajara)
Maria Bernheim (Zurich) | **Ebecho Muslimova** (1984, Dagestan)
blank projects (Cape Town) | **Igshaan Adams** (1982, Cape Town) & **Cinga Samson** (1986, Cape Town)
Document-Art Gallery (Buenos Aires) | **Mariana Sissia** (1890, Buenos Aires) & **Hernan Soriano** (Buenos Aires, 1978)
Downs & Ross (New York) | **Sissel Blystad** (1944, Oslo) & **Sojourner Truth Parsons** (1984, Vancouver)
Anat Ebgi (Los Angeles) | **An Te Liu** (1967, Taiwan) & **Neil Raitt** (1986, Leicester)
Halsey Mckay Gallery (East Hampton) | **Colby Bird** (1978, Austin) & **Sheree Hovsepian** (1974, Isfahan)
Lyles & King (New York) | **Farley Aguilar** (1981, Managua)
NINO MIER GALLERY (Los Angeles) | **André Butzer** (1973, Stuttgart)
Take Ninagawa (Tokyo) | **Ryoko Aoki** (1973, Hyogo) & **Yukiko Suto** (1978, Kanagawa)
Galerie Alberta Pane (Paris) | **Ivan Moudov** (1975, Sofia)
Parafin (London) | **Justin Mortimer** (1970, Cosford)
Patron Gallery (Chicago) | **Alex Chitty** (1979, Miami) & **Bethany Collins** (1984, Montgomery)
Galerie Jérôme Poggi (Paris) | **Larissa Fassler** (1975, Vancouver) & **Kapwani Kiwanga** (1978, Hamilton)
PSM (Berlin) | **Nadira Husain** (1980, Paris)
Revolver Galeria (Lima) | **José Carlos Martinat** (1974, Lima)
Shulamit Nazarian (Los Angeles) | **Cammie Staros** (1983, Nashville)
Temnikova & Kasela (Tallinn) | **Meldere** (1979, Kuldiga) & **Jaanus Samma** (1982, Tallinn)
Tiwani Contemporary (London) | **Manuel Mathieu** (1986, Haoto)
Vigo (London) | **Derrick Adams** (1970, American)
Galerie Tanja Wagner (Berlin) | **Annabel Daou** (1967, Beirut) & **Nilbar Güres** (1977, Istanbul)
WHATIFTHEWORLD (Cape Town) | **Athi-Patra Ruga** (1984, Republic of Transkei)

NOTES TO EDITORS

The Armory Show

The Armory Show is New York City's premier art fair and a leading cultural destination for discovering and collecting the world's most important 20th- and 21st-century art. Staged on Manhattan's Piers 92 & 94, The Armory Show features presentations by leading international galleries, innovative artist commissions and dynamic public programs. Since its founding in 1994, The Armory Show has served as a nexus for the international art world, inspiring dialogue, discovery and patronage in the visual arts.

Athena Art Finance

[Athena Art Finance](#) is an independent specialty finance company, dedicated to serving the needs of the global art market. Athena's services include a gallery financing program specifically designed to address galleries' and dealers' capital needs. Building upon the strength of its founding shareholders, The Carlyle Group and the investors in the private equity unit of the Pictet Group, Athena Art Finance specializes in lending solutions that are secured by fine art collections. Athena has been a lead sponsor of The Armory Show since 2015, and its support of the Presents Booth Prize is an expression of its commitment to emerging galleries and the art community at large.

Presents

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Important Information for Media

Fair Dates

VIP Preview Day (by invitation only)
Wednesday, March 7, 2018

Public Days
Thursday, March 8 - Sunday, March 11, 2018

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