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**10 Can't Miss Booths at the Bay Area's Glitzy New Art Fair, Art SV/SF**

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Right on the heels of [Ai Weiwei's monumental opening](#) is **Art SV/SF** an art fair organized by the founders of Art Miami. It's the first of its kind dedicated to the serious local investor, whom fair director Nick Korniloff identifies as currently "underserved." With the same high-roller glitz, but different area code, you can expect jet-set style at Art SF/SV; Maserati is the sponsor, Ruinart is supplying the champagne bar, and Graff will have a glittering vitrine of diamonds. It is also that rare fine-art one-stop-shop with coveted works from 70 galleries, 750 artists, and 42 countries, to see and to be seen. The fair kicks off with a Thursday VIP gala,

benefiting Shipyard Trust for the Arts and the Djerassi Foundation, and opens to the general public October 10 to 12.

Whether you're just beginning, pieces start at \$1000, or already on the international circuit, here are 10 booths you won't want to miss.

### **Banksy at the Keszler Gallery Booth**

The work of the street-artist provocateur taken from his 2013 NYC residency will be for sale.

### **John Slepian's Transcendence at ZERO 1**

See an artist use the power of his mind to levitate. John Slepian used a hacked toy brainwave sensor, electronics and powerful actuators to float—and he videotaped it for non-believers.

### **San Jose Institute of Contemporary Art (SJICA)**

View John Carpenter's Dandelion Clock interactive art video and experience new mobile art apps for smartphones and tablets. When in Rome, right?

### **Leaders in Software & Art (LISA)**

Ensnared in the tech capital, the organizers are giving the audience a taste of the familiar with artists, cherry-picked by LISA founder Isabel Draves, who are exploring the intersection of tech and art.

### **APEX and White Walls Gallery**

White Walls, one of the handful of galleries representing the Bay, will exhibit works by noted street artist APEX. He'll set mood opening night, 10/9, with a work on the exterior of the San Mateo Event Center.

### **de Sarthe Gallery**

Why schlep to Hong Kong when de Sarthe Gallery comes to you? The internationally acclaimed Asian gallery will exhibit a diverse but discerning selection of 19th and 20th century Asian and Western modern, post-war and contemporary art including Damien Hirst, Tang Haywen, Jinhe Zhao, Robert Indiana, Bernar Venet, Zhou Wendou, Yayoi Kusama, Wang Guofeng, Lin Jingjing and John Wesley.

### **Galerie Forsblom**

Situated in Helsinki, Galerie Forsblom has a reputation for introducing international artists, both established, emerging, and slightly disturbing, to collectors.

### **Vessel Gallery**

You'll want to wait your turn to experience Nick Dong's "En-lightening" at Oakland's Vessel gallery. It's a one-person-at-a-time light and sound installation fitted with 10,000 handmade porcelain tiles, acrylic and stainless steel mirror tiles, 633 white LEDs, gold, copper, and aluminum. To enter Dong's isolation chamber, according to the program notes "is to enter a cathartic vacuum where the burdens of modern life are finally shed."

### **UC Davis Art Studio**

Tim Hyde and University of California Davis Art Studio examine spaces that facilitate creative collaboration—with a modular installation "Hexagon/Pentagon."

### **Hackett-Mill**

For the consideration of deep-pocketed collectors, Bay Area figurative masters David Park and Manuel Neri will be hard to resist.

*Visit Art SV/SF at San Mateo County Event Center, Expo Hall, October 9-12, [artsvfair.com](http://artsvfair.com)*