

Connect & Collect: The 36th Annual ICA Art Exhibition and Auction



Silicon Valley's most anticipated annual art auction of the year!

Art Auction Exhibition: September 24 – October 22
Silent Auction & Party: Saturday, October 8
Live Auction Gala: Saturday, October 22

San Jose, CA – September 1 – Now in its 36th year, *Connect & Collect*, the highly anticipated 2016 Annual Art Exhibition and Auction at the San Jose Institute of Contemporary Art (ICA), offers unique opportunities for art enthusiasts and collectors to view and acquire contemporary artwork by celebrated artists whose work reflects eclectic styles and interests. The **Connect and Collect** Silent and Live auction parties have reputations for being lively events with high energy and enthusiastic bidding.

The Art Auction Exhibition, which runs from September 24 to October 22, will feature works by regional, national and international artists. The selection of work in the exhibition reflects the ICA's continued commitment to a global range of artists in its exhibition program. Held in the ICA galleries with a professional auctioneer, Silent and Live Auction guests actively bid on a wide range of work including paintings, photography, works on paper, sculpture, and mixed media pieces by nearly 200 artists. *All proceeds fund the ICA's innovative exhibitions and educational programming.*

“There are nearly 200 works by local, regional and national contemporary artists in every media under the sun. With such a wide variety, our visitors can see what artists are making and thinking about right now. It’s a finger on the pulse of the current art scene throughout the Country and beyond. There is literally something for everyone,” states ICA **Executive Director Cathy Kimball**. The auction will include exceptional works donated from highly acclaimed artists including **Mark Adams, Val Britton, Jim Campbell, Russell Crotty, Taraneh Hemami, Oliver Jackson, Naomie Kremer, Hung Liu, Frank Lobdell, Manuel Neri and Heather Wilcoxon**. The ICA offers free **Curator-led Tours of the Art Auction Exhibition** with Executive Director Cathy Kimball and Curator Patricia Cariño by advance appointment and subject to availability. Call 408-283-8155 to reserve.

An **Opening Reception** for the Auction Exhibition will be held on **Sunday, October 2 from 1pm to 4pm**. The reception is open to the public and free. Guests in attendance will be able to meet many of the participating artists, view the exhibition and bid on silent auction works. Guests who purchase auction tickets by October 2nd will be invited to **Brunch & Bid**, an exclusive auction preview party on October 2, 11am-1pm, where guests will have the first chance to bid in the Silent Auction gallery accompanied by brunch bites and champagne mimosas.

The Silent Auction & Party will be held on Saturday, October 8, 5pm – 8pm. This highly popular event features a vibrant mix of works in a variety of mediums that will excite novice and veteran art collectors alike. Artworks are available at all price points. The first auction lot closes at 6:15 pm and the last auction lot closes at 7:15 pm. **Admission to the party is free**. A cash bar will be provided and light cocktail fare will be served. Bidder cards are \$50 and may be purchased at the event or on the ICA website. Ticket holders to the Live Auction receive a complimentary Silent Auction bidder card.

The Live Auction Gala, one of the Bay Area's most anticipated cultural events of the year, will be held on Saturday, October 22. Doors open at 6pm and the auction begins promptly at 7pm. Complimentary champagne, wine, beer, heavy hors d’oeuvres and desserts provided by PSRT. Admission to the Live Auction – **always a sellout event** – is reserved for ticket holders. Tickets are \$100 in advance and \$150 at the door (subject to availability). ICA members at the \$250 level and above receive complimentary tickets to both the Silent Auction and Live Auction events.

List of participating artists:

Guston Abright, Atticus Adams, Mark Adams, Tracey Adams, Jodi Alexander, David Kimball Anderson, Mari Andrews, Benedikte F. Ansell, Kathy Aoki, Michael Arcega, Kimberley Acebo Arteche, Suzy Barnard, Mary Ellen Bartley, Gavin Benjamin, Terry Berlier, Brenda Biondo, Holly Blake, Barbara Boissevain,

Andrea Borsuk, Val Britton, Jamie Brunson, Thai Bui, Natalya Burd, Michael Buscemi, Mimi Cahalan, Jim Campbell, Brian Caraway, Ryan Carrington, Sara Carter, Rosana Castrillo Diaz, Chandra Cerrito, Kevin B. Chen, Seth Clark, Kit Colman, Modesto Covarrubias, Tim Craighead, Russell Crotty, Sidnea D'Amico, Rick Danielson, Mel Day and Frank Ham, Lewis deSoto, Lauren DiCioccio, Richard Diebenkorn, Christel Dillbohner, Kathryn Dunlevie, Ala Ebtekar, Ken Edwards, Amy Ellingson, Ian Everard, Mitra Fabian, Kyoko Fischer, Eric Fischl, Peter Foucault, Lorrie Fredette, Steve French, Kim Frohsin. Linda Gass, Ewa Gavrielov, Paul Gibson, Chuck Ginnever, Doug Glovaski, Joseph Goldyne, Matt Gonzalez, Sofia V. Gonzalez, Julia Goodman and Loren King, Bill Gould, Sarah Haba, Michael Hall, Brent Hallard, Ema Harris-Sintamarian, Dana Harris, Taro Hattori, Charlotta Hauksdottir, Carolyn Haydu, Victoria Mara Heilweil, Taraneh Hemami, Shawn HibmaCronan, Liz Hickok, Lisa Hochstein, Monroe Hodder, Ann Hogle, Misako Inaoka, Cynthia Ona Innis, Oliver Jackson, Patricia Jauch, Carole Jeung, Pancho Jimenez, Mitchell Johnson, Pantea Karimi, Sherry Karver, Michael Kenna, Jenifer Kent, Kyong Ae Kim, Katy Kindig, Michael Koehle, Lisa Kokin, Diane Kreiter, Terry Kreiter, Naomie Kremer, Charlotte Kruk, Evri Kwong, Katja Leibenath, Ligorano/Reese, Bette Linderman, Hung Liu, Frank Lobdell, Nick Lomoro, Monica Lundy, Phillip Maisel, Michelle Mansour, Amanda Marchand, Kara Maria, Ellen Markoff, Vanessa Marsh, Ken Matsumoto, Kirk Maxson, Tony May, Victoria May, Aondrea Maynard, Clive McCarthy, Lisa McCutcheon, Stephanie Metz, Linn Meyers, Masako Miki, Nancy Mintz, Mary Mocas, Joan Moment, Elise Morris, Alexi Morrissey, Manuel Neri, Sarah Newton, Joyce Nojima, Jann Nunn, Catie O'Leary, Dennis O'Leary, Amy Oates, Michael Oechsli, David Pace, Francesca Pastine, Tahiti Pehrson, Jennifer Pochinski, Silvia Poloto, Maria Porges, Mel Prest, Beverly Rayner, John Register, Ernest Regua, Fanny Retsek, Kate Rhoades, Gustavo Ramos Rivera, Lordy Rodriguez, Jane Rosen, Gideon Rubin, Byron Ryono, Elizabeth Ryono, Diane Samuels, Tamra Seal, Donna Sharee, Pat Sherwood, Jennifer Shifflet, Kate Short, Chris Sicat, Linda Simmel, Brian Singer, Joshua Smith, Lisa Solomon, Maxine Solomon, Mary Souza, Teresa Stanley, Mark Stock, t.w.five, Mia Tarducci, Weston Teruya, Jeanne Vadeboncoeur, Anna Valdez, Sieglinde Van Damme, Monica Van den Dool, Beth Van Hoesen, Kerry Vander Meer, Theodora Varnay Jones, Barbara Vaughn, Wanda Waldera, Ann Weber, Rodney Weiss, Margaret Wherry, Heather Wilcoxon, William Wiley, Vanessa Woods, Imin Yeh, Alayne Yellum, Wanxin Zhang

EVENT FACTS:

Opening Reception for Art Auction Exhibition

Sunday, October 2, 1pm – 4pm, Free admission

Silent Auction & Party

Saturday, October 8, 5pm – 8pm, First lot closes at 6:15 pm

Free admission; must purchase a bidder card to bid

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Live Auction Gala

Saturday, October 22, Doors open at 6pm; Auction begins at 7pm

Curator-led Tours of the Exhibition

Free tours are available by appointment. Call 408-283-8155 to reserve.

Tickets:

\$50 for Silent Auction Bidder Card

\$100/person in advance to attend Live Auction (includes Silent Auction bidder card)

\$150/person at the Live Auction door. Subject to availability.

Current ICA members at the Collectors level (\$250 and above) may reserve two complimentary tickets (valid for bidding in the Silent and Live Auctions). To reserve, please call 408.283.8155.

Buy Tickets:

Online: www.sjica.org

By Phone: 408.283.8155, or **in person**, at the gallery (Visa, MasterCard, AmEx accepted)

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Auction Committee Members: Chair: Liz Waldo, Elaine Cardinale, Yvonne Hunt, Elena Lebedeva, Leslie Littlejohn, Nicki Moffat, Kathy Schlepfforst, Kavita Tankha and Terry Trobough.

Honorary Committee Members: Susan Sayre Batton, Teresa Briggs, Rana Davis, Pamela and David Hornik, Yvonne Hunt, Yvonne and Mike Nevens, Rita Norton and Sheila and Ralph Pickett.

The San Jose Institute of Contemporary Art (ICA) is an energetic art space located in downtown San Jose dedicated to making contemporary art accessible to audiences of all ages and backgrounds. Exhibitions are presented in six spaces that display the most current, relevant and often challenging art from the region, the nation and the world. The ICA is activated through opening receptions, a monthly series of live art performances, gallery tours, panel discussions, and impromptu conversations in the galleries. Admission is always free.