

The programme and highlights of the 10th-anniversary edition of Amsterdam Art Week 2022: Celebrate Change

The 10th edition of Amsterdam Art Week will take place from 11 to 15 May 2022. Together with 66 art institutions - including prominent galleries, museums, residencies and project spaces - we presents a vibrant programme full of exhibition openings, open studios, artist talks, panel discussions, performances, film screenings and gallery tours. For two years, the cultural sector has suffered heavily from the pandemic. Amsterdam Art will therefore use this anniversary edition as an opportunity to celebrate Amsterdam's contemporary art scene and put the city back on the cultural map. The programme will connect art professionals, culture lovers and future art enthusiasts with the best that Amsterdam's cultural institutions have to offer. The theme, *Celebrate Change*, will be central to Amsterdam Art Week's 10th anniversary.



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Celebrate Change: The changing dynamics of the Amsterdam art field

Ten years of Amsterdam Art Week provides an excellent opportunity to celebrate, look back and especially look forward. What have been the most important shifts in the Amsterdam art scene in the past decade? What will the future look like? One thing's for certain: the city's cultural ecosystem is in constant flux. Amsterdam Art Week 2022 explores this changing dynamic while bringing together art across the city: from North to South-East, from East to New-West, and from the outer districts to the centre.

Highlights Public Programme

For the first time, this year's Amsterdam Art Week will have a pre-opening symposium which will take place on 10 May; the start of a new tradition in collaboration with Amsterdam Museum/*Refresh Amsterdam* and Pakhuis De Zwijger. The symposium will bring together artists, art producers and speakers from across the Netherlands to look back on ten years of Amsterdam Art Week and the many developments that have taken place throughout the Amsterdam art scene, and speculate on how these will continue in the future.

After, visitors to Amsterdam Art Week can enjoy a varied five days programme:

11 May - Oude Kerk: opening of the first Dutch solo exhibition of Brazilian artist Antônio Obá with his site-specific installation *Path*

12 May - Gallery Opening Night / Young Professionals Night for the art buyers of the future

13 May - Tours of galleries and project spaces / Rijksakademie Open Studios / evening programme at the Stedelijk Museum concerning media artist Hito Steyerl / an extravagant, festive evening in Het HEM in collaboration with project spaces

14 May - Saturday Specials panel discussions focusing on women in art / video programme in the Eye Filmmuseum / techno party in Shelter next to the Eye Filmmuseum (on request)

15 May - Family & Kids Sunday with workshops, family activities and tours to galleries and project spaces

The entire detailed programme will be available from 12 April on the new amsterdamart.com website.

Participants in AAW 2022

During Amsterdam Art Week 2022, Amsterdam Art will bring together the work of 66 organisations. An overview of the participants and their categories can be found [here](#). New to this year is the Young Section, a selection of new and up-and-coming galleries, and the Off the Beaten Track for art initiatives that venture from traditional venues and organisations. Alongside these categories, many established galleries and institutions are associated with Amsterdam Art Week. An important partner from the very beginning is the Rijksakademie. Their Open Studios (12-22 May 2022) are again a vital part of Amsterdam Art Week.

Amsterdam Art Tours

Visitors can discover the Amsterdam art world through various guided tours.

Neighbourhood-oriented tours allow visitors to explore the artworks on offer in different parts of the city and discuss the role that these artworks inhabit in these areas. There will be several themed tours: the Alternative Residencies Tour, which takes visitors to three smaller artists-in-residences, the Young Section Tour that highlights young, ambitious galleries and the Off The Beaten Track Tour: an adventurous discovery that highlights some unique initiatives in the city. There will also be a kid's trail, a podcast tour, and a bicycle tour featuring works by female artists.

About Amsterdam Art

Amsterdam Art is committed to strengthening the position of Amsterdam as an international centre for contemporary art. It encourages cooperation between various art institutions and promotes the most cutting-edge artists and exhibitions in the capital city. This reaches the pinnacle during the annual Amsterdam Art Week. In addition to this event, Amsterdam Art presents current offerings from contemporary art institutions on this website, distributes an Amsterdam Art Guide and publishes a digital newsletter. We also organise various open gallery weekends and events for young professionals. In the Amsterdam Art Gallery at Capital C, Amsterdam Art displays rotating exhibitions throughout the year. For more information, visit amsterdamart.com.

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