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5 Art and Design Fairs to Visit During Frieze Week London

From a climbable spider in The Regent's Park to a hotel-room fair in Eero Saarinen's former US Embassy, the five fairs that shape London's art week.

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London's art week opens on October 14 in The Regent's Park and spreads across the **city** for five days. Beyond **Frieze London** and **Frieze Masters**, design takes over Berkeley Square, **contemporary African art** returns to Somerset House, and a Dallas fair makes its European debut in a former embassy. Here are the five fairs to plan your week around.

Frieze London

Regent's Park

October 14 – 18, 2026



Theo Triantafyllidis, "Feral Metaverse (Spider)," 2026. Courtesy of the artist and The Breeder, Athens.

The flagship fair brings together 172 galleries from 42 countries and regions. At the heart of the Focus section stands “Feral Metaverse (Spider),” a climbable, participatory sculpture by **Theo Triantafyllidis**, winner of this year’s Frieze London Artist Award, co-commissioned with Forma. Visitors climb it and coordinate with one another to play the multiplayer game it leads into. A new section, “The Code Universe,” curated by **Carol Yinghua Lu**, looks at artists’ engagement with popular culture, while Artist-to-Artist returns with picks by **Firelei Báez**, Jeffrey Gibson, Otobong Nkanga, and **Yinka Shonibare**.

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"Isabella of Austria (1501-1526), Queen of Denmark, Norway and Sweden," c. 1515-1526. Courtesy of Philip Mould & Company.

A short walk, or a free shuttle, from **Frieze London**, **Frieze Masters** gathers nearly 140 galleries from 30 countries and regions, from antiquity to the late 20th century. New this year, "Queering Modernism," conceived by **Anke Kempkes**, runs as a thread across the whole fair. Spotlight, curated by **Devika Singh** and **Sofia Gotti** of **The Courtauld**, turns to mid-century work. At **Philip Mould** (stand E07), look for a newly identified panel portrait of Isabella of Austria, Queen of Denmark, Norway and Sweden, painted around 1520.

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PAD London

Berkeley Square, Mayfair

October 13 – 18, 2026



Founded in 2007 by **Patrick Perrin**, the design and decorative arts fair returns to Berkeley Square for its 18th edition with some 66 exhibitors. **Sceners Gallery** brings early 20th-century pieces by **Jean Dunand** and **Carlo Bugatti**, while **Galerie Marcelpoil** marks its 15th consecutive year at the fair with a focus on **André Sornay**. **Rademakers Gallery** shows “Overgrown,” a textile-led presentation of Dutch design, and **Yves Salomon Éditions** presents leather, shearling, and recycled-fur pieces made with guest designers.

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1-54 Contemporary African Art Fair

Somerset House, Strand

October 15 – 18, 2026



Courtesy of 1-54 Contemporary African Art Fair.

For its 14th London edition, **1-54** brings together 35 exhibitors and adds a new spotlight on Modernist artists from Africa and its diaspora, with **Loeve&Co** showing **Aubrey Williams** and **Twins Seven Seven**. **The Gallery of Everything** pays tribute to the Senegalese sculptor **Seyni Awa Camara**, who died in January 2026. Working in clay in Bignona, Casamance, she shaped figures drawn from dreams and visions, and was shown in “Magiciens de la Terre” in 1989. The 1-54 Presents exhibition, “West Wind,” is curated by **Dr. Nancy Dantas**.

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London Invitational

The Chancery, Rosewood

October 15 – 18, 2026



The Chancery Rosewood, Eagle Bar. Photo courtesy of The Chancery Rosewood.

Founded in Dallas in 2023 by **James Cope**, the London Invitational holds its first European edition on a single floor of **The Chancery Rosewood**. A dozen galleries take over hotel rooms inside **Eero Saarinen**'s former US Embassy, opened in 1960 and converted into a hotel by **David Chipperfield Architects**. Galleries take part by invitation only, with no application process. Look for **François Ghebaly**, **Bel Ami**, **Broadway**, and **Vardaxoglou**.

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