

Collecting

Sales and fairs What's happening in London this week



Left: Safavid tile with a leaping feline (c1600-1700) at Alexis Renard, PAD

Lucian Freud 32 Etchings
October 15
Phillips, Berkeley Square, London
After a brief flirtation with the form in the 1940s, Lucian Freud began making etchings in earnest in 1982. This collection spans 1985 to 2004, and features famous sitters such as Leigh Bowery, Sue Tilley, Bella Freud and Pluto the dog, along with a previously unpublished proof of 1985's "Naked Man on a Sofa", which has the top estimate of £120,000-180,000.

Post War and Contemporary Art Evening Sale/Day Sale
October 16/17
Christie's, King Street, London
In May, Peter Dold's "Swamped" sold in New York for \$26m, breaking the artist's auction record. Christie's may be hoping for a similar sensation as it leads its evening auction with Dold's monumental 1994 work "Cabin Essence" (estimate on request). In addition there is work by artists with recent large-scale retrospectives in London such as Anselm Kiefer, Ai Weiwei and Frank Auerbach, alongside a varied crop of Pop Art. Sculpture in its many forms is a focus for the day sale, ranging from iron Tinguely structures to a multicolour media piece by Nam June Paik. The first 19 lots, including pieces by Dan Colen, Barbara Kruger and John Baldessari, have been donated by the artists to benefit Schinkel Pavilion Berlin.

a sculpture of Italy fashioned from winding strips of copper, designed to be suspended from the ceiling.

Contemporary Art Evening Sale/Day Sale
October 15/16
Sotheby's, New Bond Street, London
In an unlikely juxtaposition, Basquiat's "Untitled (The Black Athlete)" and Agnes Martin's "Untitled" are two of the big draws in Sotheby's evening sale. Elsewhere, the focus is on the new and the young, including moving-image pieces by Cory Arcangel and Jordan Wolfson, while shoe designer Ernesto Esposito parts with some of his extensive collection including works by his friend Andy Warhol.

Headed up by the graphic colours of Lichtenstein's "Hot Dog", the day sale includes more works from Esposito's collection by the likes of Richard Prince, Cindy Sherman and George Condo. In addition, 35 works have been donated by artists including Doug Aitken, Sarah Lucas and William Kentridge to benefit Human Rights Watch.

Africa Now
October 15
Bonhams, New Bond Street, London
Solely dedicated to contemporary African art, the 53 lots here include sculpture, photography, painting and textiles, including Margaret Majo's painted bottle tops, Paa Joe's magenta "JFK Limousine" and Abdoulaye Konaté's "Generation Biométrique no. 5".

SALES
October 14/15
Phillips, Berkeley Square, London
Phillips kicks off the week with two swirling rangles by Christopher Wool, painting by Yoshitomo Nara, an enamel statue by Keith Haring and a steel sculpture by Antony Gormley. The day sale has paintings by Warhol, a characteristically blue Yves Klein table and an Anthony Caro bronze. Pieces from the 2000s, including Damien Hirst's "Clamy Love" and George Condo's "Symphony I", have the highest estimates.

The Italian Sale
October 15
Sotheby's, New Bond Street, London
Leading the first of two major Italian sales in London is Lucio Fontana's "Concerto Spaziale, La Fine di Dio", one of only two in the series created in black, with an estimate of £15-20m that is above the artist's auction record. Other offerings include pieces by Alberto Burri, Giorgio De Chirico and a Paolo Scheggi installation.

The Italian Sale
October 16
Christie's, King Street, London
The second Italian sale of the week stars Alberto Burri's "Rosso Plastica MI" and a selection of "Tagli" or "cut" works by Lucio Fontana. Other highlights are a selection of Arte Povera pieces including a mirror painting by Michelangelo Pistoletto and Luciano Fabro's "Italia dell'Emigrazione" —



FAIRS
Frieze
October 14-17
Regent's Park, London
frieze.london.com
Frieze London, in its 13th year, hosts more than 160 galleries, with work from more than 1000 contemporary artists, alongside a programme of additional events. Frieze Masters, in its fourth edition, offers work from antiquities and manuscripts to Old Masters, photographs and sculpture, all made before the year 2000.

Pavilion of Art and Design London
October 14-18
Berkeley Square, London
pad-fairs.com
With its cross-section of 20th-century art, photography, design and decorative arts, PAD is a dynamic presence on the fair



schedule. Uniting galleries from across Europe and America, with a few Asian additions, its speciality is to combine design and art in curated displays. New this year is a focus on Asian and Islamic art.

154 Contemporary African Art Fair
October 15-18
Somerset House, London
1-54.com/london
For the third time, Somerset House will be taken over by artist representatives of the 54 countries that constitute the African continent. Some 38 galleries will exhibit over the four days, alongside film screenings, lectures and artist talks.

The Other Art Fair
October 15-18
Old Truman Brewery, London
theotherartfair.com
A decade in, The Other Art Fair continues to add texture to London's biggest art week by featuring 130 emerging and unknown artists, chosen by a committee of experts including Gavin Turk.

Moniker Art Fair
October 15-18
Old Truman Brewery, London
monikerartfair.com
Sharing space with The Other Art Fair is Moniker, which has become a draw for international collectors interested in emerging urban art.

Multiplied Art Fair
October 16-18
Christie's South Kensington, London
christies.com/multiplied
The UK's only fair dedicated to contemporary art in editions, Multiplied's programme reflects contemporary publishing, from prints and artist's books to photographs and digital art.

Sunday Art Fair
October 14-18
Ambika P3, University of Westminster, London
sundayartfair.com
Sunday — now in its sixth year — is focused on fostering new artists and galleries. Alongside presentations from 25 local and international galleries, this year's fair has a new editions section, inviting four art spaces from Southend-on-Sea, Sheffield, Bristol and Cambridge to showcase work.

Tish Wrigley