

## CULTURE

# A FRESH LOOK AT ART

As the capital's art scene emerges from its long winter sleep, a fresh crop of new and established art shows has sprung up to guide the general public and collectors through today's art and design scene. We'll start our own tour with modern and contemporary art from Singapore and South East Asia at Art Paris Art Fair, before hopping over to Drawing Now Paris, Salon du Dessin and Ddessin, then take a spin through the world of design and the decorative arts at PAD. Creativeness, inventiveness and quality: could anyone ask for more? *By Anne Kerner*

## # PAD the best of design and decorative arts

PITCHED IN THE JARDIN DES TUILERIES, PAD (PARIS ART+DESIGN) HAS BEEN A BYWORD FOR THE BEST IN DECORATIVE ART AND DESIGN FOR THE LAST 18 YEARS.

One of the most hotly awaited shows of the year, this is the capital's leading event devoted to 20<sup>th</sup> decorative arts and contemporary design. Accommodated in elegant tents set up in the Jardin des Tuileries, PAD is synonymous with carefully selected, sophisticated and high-quality pieces showcased in impeccable surroundings by dealers from France and abroad. This exceptional selection never fails to woo the world's art lovers and collectors, with the most exquisite items selected by a committee of peerless professionals. The show's greatest strength is its artful mix of older and contemporary works selected by top dealers and promising young talents. During this spectacular four-day event, one work will

be selected to enter the collection of the Musée des Arts décoratifs, and the PAD Prize will be awarded to winners in three categories Best Stand, Contemporary Design and 20<sup>th</sup> Century Decorative Art. A very high-class competition if ever there was one! ■



Thomas Pheasant Studio.  
Willow chandelier.



Vincent Dubourg.  
Insideer Bronze, 2014.  
Courtesy Carpenters  
Workshop Gallery.  
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Pierre Paulin.  
Armchair *Élysée*,  
1972. Galerie  
Philippe Jousse.

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Jardin des Tuileries, Esplanade des Feuillants,  
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