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## **7<sup>TH</sup> COSMOSCOW INTERNATIONAL CONTEMPORARY ART FAIR**

- **The Fair is open in Gostiny Dvor on September 6–8**
- **67 galleries from 14 countries and 300 artists**
- **Commissioned projects presented by Cosmoscow Foundation**
- **Curated exhibitions, 3-day public programme Cosmoscow Talks with international experts, and many more**
- **Cosmoscow VIP Preview and Vernissage were visited by over 4000 people**

The Fair, supported by Main Partner **Qatar Airways**, Strategic Partner **Credit Suisse**, Automobile Partner **Audi**, Official Partner **Ruinart**, Jewelry Partner **Mercury**, Beauty Partner **La Prairie**, and Official Hotel the **St. Regis Moscow Nikolskaya**, will take place from **September 6 to 8** with Press, Privilege and VIP Preview on **September 5**.

The most anticipated cultural event of the fall season, Cosmoscow International Contemporary Art Fair, opened in Gostiny Dvor. On the evening of September 5, Cosmoscow VIP Preview and Vernissage welcomed more than 4000 people. This year, Cosmoscow, the only International Contemporary Art Fair in Russia welcomes 67 galleries from Russia, Italy, France, Germany, Austria, Belgium, USA, and other countries representing more than 300 contemporary artists. On September 5, an international jury of art experts awarded Moscow-based Artwin Gallery with Cosmoscow 2019 Stand Prize.

Cosmoscow 2019 participants are divided into **6 sections**: Galleries, Discovery, Frame, Focus, Design, and Editions. Among the well-known names, such as **Giorgio Persano** (IT), **galerie frank elbaz** (FR), **Galerie Forsblom** (FI) and **Georg Kargl Fine Arts Gallery** (AT); Cosmoscow will present a more recent generation of players: **Dawid Radziszewski Gallery** (PL), **Galerie Emanuel Layr** (AT/IT); **Peres Projects Gallery** (DE), **Raster Gallery** (PL) and **Temnikova & Kasela**

(EE). This year, the Focus section, supported by Italian Cultural Institute in Moscow, is welcoming several Italian exhibitors showing works by Russian-born artists: [Sara Zanin Z20 Gallery](#) and [C+N Canepaneri](#).

As part of the Cosmoscow on-site programme, the Embassy of the State of Qatar to the Russian Federation and **Qatar Airways** will present the [“White Sun” exhibition project](#) uniting photographs by **Henry Dallal, Abdulla Artuyev, Vlad Loktev, Mikhail Rozanov, Danila Tkachenko** and an installation by **Soundwalk Collective** that are related to Qatar’s historical context.

At the press conference on September 5, Russian artist **Igor Samolet** was selected as the winner of the [Credit Suisse Cosmoscow Prize for Young Artists](#), awarded for the fourth consecutive year. The Prize winner receives a financial grant, mentorship support from Credit Suisse and Cosmoscow experts, and an art trip to Switzerland. He also has an opportunity to participate in a Swiss art residency provided by PROGR, an artistic center and cultural hub in Bern. Thanks to the new partnership with Pro Helvetia Moscow, which supports Swiss arts in Russia and promotes cultural exchange, starting from 2020, the laureate’s stay in Switzerland will be extended from one to three months.

For the third consecutive year, one of the exhibitors is awarded the **Cosmoscow Stand Prize**. This year, **Artwin Gallery** from Moscow was selected by the members of the jury including curator and art historian Andrey Egorov (MMOMA), curator and art historian Ekaterina Inozemtseva (Garage Museum), Nicolaus Schafhausen (Fogo Island Arts), adviser Rita Janssen. The winner will get an opportunity to participate in Cosmoscow 2019 for free.

Cosmoscow Foundation will present many projects specially commissioned for the Fair. They will include projects presented by [MishMash](#) art group (Artist of the Year), [Zarya CCA from Vladivostok](#) (Institution of the Year), artist [Maria Agureeva](#), the winner of the **Ruinart Art Patronat** grant, and by [Moscow Museum of Modern Art](#) (Museum of the Year).

At the press conference on September 5, the prolongation of the **Ruinart Art Patronat** grant competition was also announced. The long list of the competition includes artists nominated by Cosmoscow participating galleries. Until October 6, 2019 Cosmoscow accepts applications from this year’s galleries with the names of two nominees. They will be considered until October 20. The winner will be announced later this year.

The [Artificial View](#) exhibition curated by **Alexander Burenkov** will present a group of works by Russian and international contemporary artists from private collections. It raises the problem of making aesthetic choices in contemporary culture.

The **Chinese Collectible Design** exhibition curated by Kristina Krasnyanskaya will present the leading Chinese designers whose work has already won international recognition. These young authors, many of whom have already created their own brands, can undoubtedly be called the most promising designers of China, successfully combining in their works the rich

Chinese traditions of making furniture, as well as the most important trends in modern world design.

As a follow-up to years-long cooperation and mutual support, **Garage Museum of Contemporary Art** will present at Cosmoscw a loose reconstruction of **Vladislav Mamyshev-Monroe's** apartment where the artist made the photo series *Barbie* (2005). Besides, the Garage Museum will be presented at the Fair with book and gift shops. In addition, Cosmoscw will donate 5% of the proceeds for entrance tickets to the Garage Endowment Fund.

**GUM-Red-Line** will present the **Common Cause Philosophy** project as part of Cosmoscw (author of concept: **Gosha Ostretsov**) with **Vladimir Dubossarsky, EliKuka, Konstantin Zvezdochetov, Alisa Yoffe, Irina Korina, and Pavel Pepperstein** among other artists. During the first two days of Cosmoscw, visitors will observe how the artists will paint a 140-meter canvas stretched over a two-meter-high architectural structure. On September 7 and 8, the final result will be shown.

Cosmoscw main venue at the Gostiny Dvor will also feature a number artworks beyond sections and categories including the **Underwater World** series of 13 works (2003) by **Alexander Vinogradov and Vladimir Dubossarsky** and **Irina Korina's Grove** (2018) executed with the support of Cosmoscw Foundation as part of the *Yesterday's Snow* installation commissioned by the Steirischer Herbst festival (curated by Ekaterina Degot). Cosmoscw will also feature **Olga Jürgenson's** project **A Doll's House** curated by Alexey Maslyaev.

**The public programme Cosmoscw Talks** is devoted to the topic **'Who Knows Best?'**. Art experts will discuss different aspects of whom or what we perceive as sources of expert knowledge today. Participants include: **Melanie Gerlis** (author and writer), **Victoria Gramm** (Christie's), **Simon Mraz** (Austrian Cultural Forum in Moscow), **Javier Perez** (Perez Projects Gallery), **Barbara Seiler** (Galerie Barbara Seiler), **Georg Schöllhammer** (Austrian curator and writer) and **Stephanie Vaillant** (Galerie Perrotin) among others.

This year, **Cosmoscw Media Forum** explores art and culture through the prism of problems shared by millennials. The boom of digital technologies and social networks, increased interest in education and sustainable development, multiculturalism and gender challenges have already become the norm for millennials.

The programme **Cosmoscw Kids by MMOMA Kids** (4+) welcomes kids to become co-creators of large-scale abstract sculpture. For three days, the kids' area of the Fair will live its own life: changing colors and textures, freeze and move, increase and decrease, expand or contract. The unpredictability of the process and the contribution of each participant will be recorded with a camera. This programme is the basis for the unique MMOMA KIDS TEEN FAMILY course at the Museum's Education Center.

In parallel to the Fair, Cosmoscw Automobile Partner **Audi** will welcome guests to the opening of **Rostan Tavasiev's** project *'Ocean. The Lower Depths 3D'* at the **Audi City Moscow**

innovative showroom on Nikolskaya Street, that will be on from 5 to 8 September. Cosmoscw Parallel programme will also feature a premiere screening of a **new video work DRAME by a young Russian artist Evgeny Granilshchikov**, produced with the support of the Cosmoscw Foundation.

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#### **COSMOSCOW EXPRESSES MOST HEARTFELT THANKS TO THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS AND INSTITUTIONS:**

**Art patrons whose generous support greatly contributed to numerous initiatives of the Fair:** Anton Abugov, Marina Andreeva, Anton and Victoria Borisevich, Anastasia Karneeva, Marina Kovaleva, Artyom Kuznetsov, Mikhail Lisynsky, Dmitry Lukovnikov, Teresa Mavica, Leonid Mikhelson, Sergey Pushkin, Valeriya Rodnyanskaya, Vladimir Smirnov, Ekaterina Vinokurova, Marat Zagidullov, Elena Zhukova.

**Cosmoscw Advisory Board:** His Excellency Mr. Fahad bin Mohammed Al Attiyah, Dilyara Allakhverdova, Antoine Arnault and Natalia Vodianova, Alistair Hicks, Teresa Mavika, Sandra Nedvetskaia, Vladimir and Ekaterina Semenikhin, Zelfira Tregulova, Vasily Tsereteli, Olga Vashchilina.

**Cosmoscw Expert Committee:** Simon Rees, Elena Selina, Olga Temnikova.

**Foundation's Supervisory Board:** Marina Andreeva, Elena Lukovnikova, Simon Mraz, Valeriya Rodnyanskaya, Vladimir Smirnov.

**Credit Suisse Cosmoscw Prize for Young Artists jury members:** Anna Arutyunova, Andrey Erofeev, Simon Rees, Andre Rogger, Alina Saprykina.

**Cosmoscw Stand Prize jury members:** Andrey Egorov, Ekaterina Inozemtseva, Nicolaus Schafhausen, Rita Janssen.

**Ruinart Art Patronat jury members:** Suad Garaeva-Maleki, Sofia Zhurbenko, Ekaterina Kibovskaya, Alexey Maslyayev, Margarita Pushkina, Vasily Tsereteli.

**Partners of the 7th Cosmoscw fair:** Qatar Airways, Credit Suisse, Audi, Ruinart, Mercury, La Prairie, Samsung, St. Regis Moscow Nikolskaya, V Confession Agency, AlfaStrakhovanie, Sixinch, Le16ème бюро + Premier Group, Palisander Gallery, Edis, Novikov Group, Yandex.Taxi, FAW, Italian Cultural Institute in Moscow, Bein3D.

**Auction houses:** Christie's, Phillips.

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#### **Notes to Editors:**

**Cosmoscw International Contemporary Art Fair** was launched by art historian, young Russian artists' patron and collector Margarita Pushkina in 2010 and aims to bring together both Russian and international collectors, galleries and artists. Cosmoscw is Russia's only international art fair taking place every September with its own spot in the international art calendar.



### **Main Partner**

Qatar Airways, the national carrier of the State of Qatar, is celebrating more than 20 years of Going Places Together with travellers across its more than 160 business and leisure destinations on board a modern fleet of more than 250 aircraft. The world's fastest-growing airline has added a number of exciting new destinations to its growing network this year, including Lisbon, Portugal; Malta; Rabat, Morocco; Davao, Philippines; Izmir, Turkey; and Mogadishu, Somalia; and will add Langkawi, Malaysia, later in 2019.

A multiple award-winning airline, Qatar Airways was named 'World's Best Airline' by the 2019 World Airline Awards, managed by international air transport rating organisation Skytrax. It was also named 'Best Airline in the Middle East', 'World's Best Business Class' and 'Best Business Class Seat', in recognition of its ground-breaking Business Class experience, Qsuite. Qatar Airways is the only airline to have been awarded the coveted "Skytrax Airline of the Year" title, which is recognised as the pinnacle of excellence in the airline industry, five times.

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