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## **Cosmoscow 2020 to take place in September, announces first exhibitors**

This year, the 8th Cosmoscow International Contemporary Art Fair to take place in Gostiny Dvor (4, Ilyinka St, Moscow) on September 11–13, supported by longstanding partners – Program Partner Cultural Creative Agency, Official Partner Ruinart, and Automobile Partner Audi, announces first exhibitors.

### **Margarita Pushkina, Cosmoscow Founding Director:**

*“Each year, Cosmoscow gathers the foremost Russian galleries and a high-caliber and focused group of international galleries. Despite all the difficulties that all of us have encountered this year, we have had numerous discussions and official advice that we can present this year’s edition, and our regular participants will join us once again. We deeply appreciate their trust and are equally glad that there are a number of influential first-time participants, such as the global player PERROTIN through their galleries in Asia. Not only will Cosmoscow 2020 take place in running order, we will also introduce our visitors to a number of new projects, to be announced in August.”*

More than 50 Russian galleries will be present at the Fair, including: **11.12, Agency Art.Ru, ART4, ArtTube Editions, Artwin, Fābula, Fragment, HLAM, JART, Marina Gisich, MYTH, NK Gallery, Orekhov, Osnova, pop/off/art, Syntax, Triangle, Vellum, XL Projects, and сцена/szena.** Cosmoscow 2020 will also welcome galleries whose founders are part of the Fair’s Expert Committee: leading Berlin gallerists Javier Peres & Nick Koenigsknecht of **Peres Projects**; Olga Temnikova, co-founder of Tallinn-based **Temnikova & Kasela**; and Elena Selina, founder of Moscow’s pre-eminent **XL Gallery**.

A complete list of galleries participating in Cosmoscow will be announced in August.

### **COSMOSCOW FOUNDATION PROJECTS**

**Cosmoscow 2020 Museum of the Year – Garage Museum of Contemporary Art** will present a booth based on its Archive Collection, which is the largest archive on the history of Russian contemporary art. The display will be organised as an interactive cabinet of curiosities, featuring equipment for the storage, restoration, and digitization of analogue video. Along with learning about the history of Garage Media Archive, Cosmoscow visitors will be able to take part in the digitization and restoration of video cassettes and digitize cassettes from their family archives. Selected videos showing art events in Moscow and St. Petersburg from 1985 to 2020 will be screened on the booth, including documentation of exhibitions and performances, archive footage, and recordings of interviews and TV shows.

**Cosmoscow 2020 Artist of the Year – Pavel Otdelnov** will present a commissioned project *Geolocation, please? Choose yourself*, that is a series of reflections of ex-urban non-places and changes in the outskirts of large cities started by the artist as part of the *Inner Degunino* and

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*Shopping Center* series. In the new project conceived during self-isolation, Otdelnov turns to virtual images: landscapes seen through the cameras of Yandex and Google cars. The project to be shown at the Fair, anticipates the large-scale project *Russian Nowhere* planned by the artist to unfold in the months ahead.

**Ruinart Art Patronat grant winner – Margo Trushina** will present a new project title *Salon Vert* project. Within a specially designed construction, Trushina will create a mythical garden with plants and singing stones as its main characters telling us about the abundance and fragility of nature. Each of these hybrid objects will have its own “voice”, which will sound at a touch by the audience. The soundscape for the installation will be created together with the Playtronica Laboratory.

In partnership with Audi Group, Cosmoscow Foundation for Contemporary Art launched the **Audi Born-Digital Award** aiming to support Russian media artists and seeking out the best of digital thinking. An open call was held through July 12 with the results to be announced at the end of the month. The author of the winning concept will receive 700.000 RUB (approx. 9,000 EUR) for the implementation of the concept and 250.000 RUB (approx. 3,000 EUR) as a fee. The winner’s work will be presented at the innovative Audi City Moscow showroom on Nikolskaya Street (in close proximity to the fair venue) in the run-up to the 8th Cosmoscow International Contemporary Art Fair, as well as on the Cosmoscow Foundation website.

**Cosmoscow 2020 Institution of the Year – the Zheleznogorsk Center for Contemporary Art** will be represented at the Fair with by projects of the art group Chicory, founders of the ZCCA. Chicory are involved in the infrastructural building of the art community and its capacity in their hometown of Zheleznogorsk and of the wider Kursk region. Over the two years since its establishment, the team has held more than 10 exhibition projects, educational programs and curatorial laboratories, reality shows, and the Zheleznogorsk Biennale of Contemporary Art. Besides paintings and found objects, at Cosmoscow the Chicory members will present the *Home videos. Plein\_air\_extension* VR project, a collection of outdoor group performances.

Further details on the foundation’s Cosmoscow Talks educational program and Cosmoscow Kids program for the youngest visitors to the Fair, as well as the Media Forum program will be announced in mid-August, together with a complete list of Cosmoscow exhibitors.

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### **Cosmoscow Fair**

Cosmoscow Contemporary Art Fair aims to bring together collectors, galleries and artists from all over the world. Its primary goal is to foster the development of the Russian art market and the integration of Russian artists in the international context. The fair was launched by art patron and collector Margarita Pushkina in 2010. Since 2014, Cosmoscow takes place every September with its own spot in the international art calendar. In 2019, Cosmoscow featured 67 Russian and international galleries, welcomed more than 22,000 visitors, while the exhibitors sales totaled €1.7 million. In 2020, the 8th edition of Cosmoscow International Contemporary Art Fair will be held in Gostiny Dvor (4, Ilyinka St, Moscow) on September 11-13.

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**International Cosmoscow exhibitors 2014–2019, include:**

Beck & Eggeling, Dusseldorf (2014); Blain|Southern, London (2015); Campoli Presti, London/Paris (2014); C + N Canepaneri, Milan (2019); Contemporary Fine Arts, Berlin (2010); Dawid Radziszewski Gallery, Warsaw (2018-2019); Galería Javier López & Fer Francés, Madrid (2014-2016); Galerie Emanuel Layr, Vienna/Rome (2019); galerie frank elbaz, Paris (2019); Georg Kargl Fine Arts, Vienna (2019); Giorgio Persano Gallery, Torino (2019); LOCUS, Oslo (2017-2019); Massimo De Carlo, London/Milan (2014); Michael Werner Gallery, New York/Berlin (2014); Peres Projects, Berlin (2019); Raster Gallery, Warsaw (2017-2018); Sprueth Magers, Berlin/London/Los Angeles (2010); Temnikova & Kasela, Tallinn (2014-2019); Z20 Sara Zanin Gallery, Rome (2019).

**Cosmoscow Foundation for Contemporary Art**

Cosmoscow Foundation was established in 2017 as a follow-up to the non-profit activities of the Cosmoscow International Contemporary Art Fair. The main goal of the Foundation is the systematic support of contemporary art in Russia, its integration into the international cultural scene, the promotion of young artists, and the development of art patronage in Russia. The Foundation carries out activities in the following areas: education; implementation (financing) of projects and unique cultural initiatives selected on a competitive and non-competitive basis; purchase and donation of works of contemporary art to museum collections.  
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**PROGRAM PARTNER – CULTURAL CREATIVE AGENCY**



**Cultural Creative Agency (CCA)** is an international agency and mediator between the cultures of Qatar and Russia. CCA addresses the common values of the two states and creates unique content: exhibitions, concerts, professional contests, educational programs, print and online publications. The head of the agency is Anastasia Shavlokhova, curator of exhibitions, festivals and educational programs.

Cultural Creative Agency with assistance of the Embassy of the state of Qatar announced the independent open call "Turbulence" for supporting Russian artists encouraging them to reflect the new reality. The jury includes representatives of the Russian and Qatar artistic community. A prize fund of €1.5 million was divided by three winners whose names were announced on July 16. The works of the winners will be exhibited at Cosmoscow 2020.

**OFFICIAL PARTNER – MAISON RUINART**



Maison Ruinart was established in 1729 in the Age of Enlightenment. Today Ruinart is committed to contemporary art revealing audacious vision and innovative, immersive experiences. In 1896, the Maison cooperated with young Czech artist Alphonse Mucha: he designed an advertising poster glorifying the highest quality of Ruinart champagne. The art-work sparked a furore and made history as a magnificent example of Art Nouveau.

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Since then, Ruinart is inseparably related to con-temporary art: the Maison works with the worlds' best artists and supports large exhibitions around the world. In the last 10 years, Ruinart collaborated with Maarten de Baat, Nacho Carbonell, Gideon Rubin, Herve Van Der Straeten, Pete Hein Eek, George Russell, Hubert le Gall, Erwin Olaf, India Mahdavi, Patricia Urquiola, Nendo, Ron Arad, Jaume Plensa and Liu Bolin who have created a great number of unique pieces of art.

#### AUTOMOBILE PARTNER – AUDI



The Audi Group, with its brands Audi, Ducati and Lamborghini, is one of the most successful manufacturers of automobiles and motorcycles in the premium segment. It is present in more than 100 markets worldwide and produces at 16 locations in 11 countries. 100 percent subsidiaries of AUDI AG include Audi Sport GmbH (Neckarsulm, Germany), Automobili Lamborghini S.p.A. (Sant'Agata Bolognese, Italy) and Ducati Motor Holding S.p.A. (Bologna, Italy). In 2019, the Audi Group delivered to customers about 1.846 million automobiles of the Audi brand, 8,205 sports cars of the Lamborghini brand and 53,183 motorcycles of the Ducati brand. In the 2019 fiscal year, AUDI AG achieved total revenue of €55.7 billion and an operating profit of €4.5 billion. At present, 90,000 people work for the company all over the world, 60,000 of them in Germany. Audi focuses on sustainable products and technologies for the future of mobility.

#### PARTNER – VREMENA GODA GALLERIES



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Since the very opening in 2007, the Vremena Goda Galleries has been holding a leading position in the fashion world for residents of Moscow with the most perfectionist taste: it is the place for comfortable shopping for the entire family. It houses more than 150 fancy brands, including CHANEL, Dior, Louis Vuitton, Gucci, Burberry, Bvlgari, Cartier, Stella McCartney, Valentino, Salvatore Ferragamo and many others. The space of the Vremena Goda Galleries is located on 6 floors, with a total area of 32,000 sqm., among them 634 sqm. occupy perfume and cosmetics departments. Aldo Coppola beauty centre, restaurants of Italian, Asian and international cuisine, Ribambelle kids club – all these places are designed to meet the expectations of the most demanding guests. On the ground floor, there is the largest in Moscow 24-hour convenience grocery store Globus Gourmet with a huge selection of premium-class products. Also, a six-level comfortable parking for 500 places is available for the visitors. On the fourth floor of the Vremena Goda Galleries you can find a multi-brand children's department store Vremena Goda Kids. The Vremena Goda Galleries tend to support various art initiatives. Among the most recent ones is the participation in the Cosmoscw Contemporary Art Fair as well as collaboration with MMOMA and the British Higher School of Design.

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**PARTNER – HUTTON DEVELOPMENT**

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Hutton Development is a Moscow-based real estate developer specializing in creating modern residential spaces in premium and business class as well as landmark high-end commercial projects. The team is working with leading architectural, construction and design companies for creating outstanding projects on the real estate market. Location, architecture and absolute quality are highly thought through and create unique aesthetic experiences for the lifestyle of the residents. Hutton Development is soon to start the sales of a new conceptual high-end project – Lumin House made from frosted glass in the heart of the city center – only 200 meters away from the landmark Zaryadye Park.

**PARTNER – ULTIMA YANDEX.TAXI**

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Ultima Yandex.Taxi is an official partner of the Cosmoscow 2020 Contemporary Art Fair. Ultima includes all of Yandex.Taxi's premium classes, with three premium sedans – Business, Premier, Élite – and Cruise executive vans. Professionalism, safety and top level service night and day make Ultima Yandex.Taxi an innovative and convenient alternative to owning a car.

**OFFICIAL HOTEL – ST. REGIS MOSCOW NIKOLSKAYA**



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The St. Regis Moscow Nikolskaya is located at the heart of Moscow, only a few minutes' walk from the Red Square and the Kremlin, the well-known Bolshoi Theatre, GUM and TSUM. The hotel has 210 spacious rooms and suites. St. Regis Moscow Nikolskaya offers guests Italian Osteria A Tavola, Robusto Cognac room, Orlov Lobby bar, and lounge as well as 6 conference halls, including Rooftop Bar with a panoramic Kremlin view. Hotel's Iridium SPA is opened 24 hours and offers guests a sauna, steam room, a 10-metre indoor pool and a fully equipped fitness centre. The hotel features the signature St. Regis Butler Service, providing anticipatory and personalized service to each guest.

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