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COSMOSCOW 2018 FULL LIST OF GALLERIES AND ARTISTS ANNOUNCED

- Record Number of Exhibitors in 7 Curated Sections
 - International Context and Museum Quality
- Prints and multiples by young and established artists with prices starting from €50

Press Release, Moscow, 24 August 2018 – The 6th Cosmoscow International Contemporary Art Fair will take place at Moscow's Gostiny Dvor on 7–9 September 2018, supported by Main Partner Qatar Airways, Strategic Partner Credit Suisse, Automobile Partner Audi, Official Partner Beluga, and Official Hotel St. Regis Moscow Nikolskaya. The VIP Preview and Vernissage will take place on 6 September 2018. Cosmoscow 2018 will showcase a record number of galleries and artists introducing 70 galleries from Belgium, Bulgaria, Estonia, Georgia, Kingdom of Bahrain, Latvia, Lithuania, Norway, Russia and Poland that will exhibit works by more than 200 artists.

"I am pleased to announce an increasing number of Cosmoscow exhibitors. It further confirms that the fair is expanding and that the Russian art market is blossoming. The introduction of three new curated sections further confirms the diversity of the Russian contemporary art market," said Margarita Pushkina, Founding Director of Cosmoscow International Contemporary Art Fair.

Editions^{new}

Editions will feature five Moscow projects dealing with prints and multiples including ARTMOSSPHERE, ArtTube Editions, Format One, Shaltai Editions, and White Walls Problems Gallery. This inaugural section will provide Cosmoscow guests with a unique opportunity to purchase works of both young and well-established artists such as Misha Most, Andrey Monastyrsky, Viktor Alimpiev and Alisa Yoffe, to name just a few, at reasonable and very attractive prices starting from €50.

Frame^{new}

Frame will unite a number of Moscow projects such as **XL Projects** (Anya Zholud, ZIP group, Irina Korina, Andrey Kuzkin, Igor Makarevich, Boris Orlov, Alexander Povzner, Roman Sakin, Aidan Salakhova, Sergey Shekhovtsov), **LUCH Gallery** (recently deceased Andrey Krisanov, Kirill Kipyatkov), **Lazy Mike** (Daniel Lergon, Paruyr Davtyan), **Pinkpong Gallery** (Liza Bobkova, Matiush First) and **TOLK**

Gallery from Nizhny Novgorod (TOY crew and Jacob Khorev) together with Manama-based **Art Select** with works of Rashid Al Oraifi, Omar Al Rashed, Dawiya Al Alawiyat and Faika Al Hassan.

"Cosmoscow will pioneer the international art market creating 'Frame' – a small section for galleries in transit (with no particular space) – it illustrates ubiquitous attempt to reform the gallery format in auction and mega-galleries driven ecosystem," said **Olga Temnikova** of Temnikova & Kasela, member of Cosmoscow Expert Committee.

Designnew

Design will be highlighted by the selection of established international artists such as Olivier Gagnère, Pierre Charpin, David Dubois, Joschua Brunn, Hiquily Philippe, Jaime Hayon to be represented at Heritage Gallery stand. This respectable list will be complemented with an impressive line-up of authors of the NG Gallery, Moscow (Pierre Jeanneret, Ladislas Kijno and Jean Miotte among others). The Art of Russian Design curated project will feature limited pieces by such well-known Russian artists as Gosha Ostretsov, Recycle, Olga Soldatova, Egor Ostrov, Ivan Gorshkov, Masha Shubina, Alexey Krendel and Harry Nuriev. The list of Design section's participants will also feature the.DOT.home and Tapis Rouge, both from Moscow along with Re:collection by Crosby Studios, New-York / Moscow.

"Today, it's no surprise to see collectors or architects integrate objects of collectable design along with painting and sculpture into their residential space. This year, Cosmoscow introduces the Design section that will feature objects made in a single copy or limited edition of both international and Russian artists and designers," added Kristina Krasnyanskaya of Heritage Gallery, curator of the Design section.

International Context

Cosmoscow will witness the comeback of a number of international galleries including **LOCUS** that participated in last year's Focus section dedicated to Norway, this time showcasing works by Tanja Thorjussen, Thale Fastvold, Sara Rönnback, Kiki Yamamoto, Katarina Skår Lisa. It will be accompanied by **Sunderø Gallery**, a newcomer from Norway that will show works of Gitte Sætre, Ina Otzko and Christine Istad (as part of the Frame section). **Raster Gallery**, Warsaw is coming back to Cosmoscow for the second year with works of Rafal Bujnowski, Przemek Matecki, Slavs and Tatars; bringing along a newcomer from Warsaw – **Dawid Radziszewski Gallery** with works of Joanna Piotrowska, Agata Bogacka and Tomasz Kowalski. Both of them are important players at the local art scene and regular participants of leading international art fairs such as Art Basel and Frieze. Coming back to Cosmoscow for the second year is Parisian **55Bellechasse** with works of Niloufar Banisadr, Naoki Fuku and Misha Most.

Focus

Cosmoscow 2018 Focus' country of choice is **Belgium**. It will feature **Artelli Gallery**, Antwerp; **NK Gallery**, Antwerp; **Samuel Maenhoudt Gallery**, Knokke. This section is a rare chance for Russian audience to soak into the best examples of Belgian art and particularly works of Albert Pepermans, Alexandre Nicolas and Sylvain Polony. One of the artists brought to Moscow by NK Gallery is established Belgian artist, Hans Vandekerckhove, with a very distinctive meditative attitude and figurative approach to painting. This September his solo exhibition will be co-hosted in Moscow by the gallery together with the first Russian private contemporary art museum **ART4**. Among the artists represented by the Samuel Maenhoudt Gallery is Antoine Rose, whose work was very well received last year.

Museum Quality

Past Present section, launched in 2017, will expand with new galleries and artists further enhancing the demand for established Russian artists whose works are already part of prestigious private and

museum collections and regularly appear at leading international auctions. The list of galleries in this section includes **Agency. Art Ru** (Leonid Purygin), **VP-studio** (Sven Gundlach, Avdey Ter-Oganyan, Dmitry Gutov, Andrey Filippov), and **XL Gallery** (Dubosarsky and Vinogradov, Aidan Salakhova, Victor Pivovarov, Boris Matrosov).

"Past Present section seeks to expand the range of the fair, to try and place the art of the moment in a meaningful cultural and historical context. It includes works of recognized classics of contemporary art who has greatly influenced the Russian art history. This year the section will feature rare works of Sven Gundlach, Avdey Ter-Oganyan, Victor Pivovarov, Aidan Salakhova and Leonid Purygin among others," added Elena Selina of XL Gallery, member of Cosmoscow Expert Committee.

Projects

Projects section of Cosmoscow traditionally features large-scale objects and installations from participating gallery. This year the section includes two works by Björn Schülke presented by the **Anna Nova Gallery** together with NY-based **bitforms** gallery, one work of Marina Zvyagintseva presented by the **Gallery 21**, and installations by Rob Mulholland presented by **Osnova Gallery**.

Best Stand Prize

For the second consecutive year, one of the exhibitors will be awarded the **Cosmoscow Stand Prize**. This year members of the jury include **Carlos Durán**, Founding co-director of LOOP; **Anastasia Shavlokhova**, an independent art curator and a founder of the Winzavod's Philosophy club; **Alexandra Danilova**, deputy head of the Department of 19th and 20th Century European and American Art of the Pushkin State Museum of Fine Arts; **Valentin Dyakonov**, art historian, art-critic, curator.

Artsy

Artsy, the online resource for collecting and learning about art, is partnering with Cosmoscow to exclusively host the fair's 2018 online preview. Artsy's dedicated microsite will offer collectors and art enthusiasts the opportunity to explore the fair, and collect works from exhibiting galleries on Artsy.net or the Artsy iPhone and iPad apps. The online VIP preview of Cosmoscow opens Wednesday, August 29th on Artsy.

InArt

Cosmoscow continues cooperation with the **InArt project** established by Ksenia Podoynitsyna that specializes in the analytics of the contemporary Russian art market. The project features an annual rating, market survey, market report and the website. The in-art.ru accumulates information about the market, includes a database of artists' biographies and the list of exhibition venues related to contemporary Russian art.

Note to editors:

Cosmoscow 2018 will take place from 7 to 9 September 2018 at Gostiny Dvor. 6 September is dedicated to collectors, press and art community. Public viewing is from 7 to 9 September from 12 to 8pm.

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Cosmoscow International Contemporary Art Fair was launched by Russian art patron, collector and philanthropist Margarita Pushkina in 2010 and aims to bring together both Russian and international collectors, galleries and artists. Cosmoscow is Russia's only international art fair taking place every September with its own spot in an international art calendar. The 5th anniversary edition of the fair took place at the Gostiny Dvor on September 8-10, 2017 representing a record number of 54 Russian and International galleries and welcoming 19,200 guests. Over 3,000 people visited Cosmoscow Collectors' Preview. In 2017 Cosmoscow Foundation for Contemporary art was established based on the experience and expertise of the Cosmoscow team, accumulated over many years to combine its non-commercial initiatives. The main objective of the Foundation is the systematic support of contemporary art in Russia and the promotion of young artists. The list of Foundation's activities includes purchase of contemporary art works and their donation to museum collections.

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