

Press Release

2018 Annual Gala and Art Auction at the
Contemporary Arts Museum Houston



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HOUSTON, TX (March 21, 2018)— The Contemporary Arts Museum Houston (CAMH) is pleased to announce the 2018 Gala and Art Auction. The event will be hosted at CAMH on Friday, April 13, 2018 from 7PM-midnight. Gala Co-chairs Blakely Griggs, Melissa Mithoff, and Katherine Phelps present, *Underground*, where this year's art and entertainment promise to be bold and edgy, featuring creative decor by Bergner and Johnson Design.

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The evening begins with a lively cocktail hour, the opportunity to view live and silent auction artworks, and bid on the silent auction items. It will be followed by a seated dinner courtesy of Jackson & Company and a live auction of provocative works by a selection of artists hand-picked by CAMH Director Bill Arning.

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Jenny Holzer
Selection from *Living: Some days you wake...*, 2017
Labradorite Light footstool
17x 25x 16 inches
Courtesy of the artist and Sprüth Magers
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Angel Otero
Untitled, 2017
oil paint and fabric on collaged paper
19 1/2 x 15 1/4 x 1 1/2 inches
Courtesy of the artist and Lehmann Maupin,
New York and Hong Kong

This year CAMH is introducing an exclusive *Underground* After Party from 10PM–midnight in the Museum’s lower-level Nina and Michael Zilkha Gallery. Co-chairs of the After Party are Matt Johns and Margaret Naeve Parker. After Party tickets are \$125 per individual or \$200 per couple.

The silent and live auctions will be presented by Christie’s auctioneer, Steve Zick. The much anticipated annual Art Auction goes live with online pre-auction bidding at noon on Friday, March 23 and remains open until pre-bidding closes on Thursday, April 12 at 11:59PM CST. The auction artworks are available to view in person at CAMH Saturday, April 7, and Sunday, April 8, during regular museum hours. To view all auction lots and for more information about the artists, visit camh.org/gala. Auction winners will be notified on Monday, April 16, 2018.

Auction artists include the following: Andisheh Avini, David Aylsworth, Debra Barrera, Rhona Bitner, Amy Blakemore, Robert Bordo, Billy Childish, Holly Coulis, Gilad Efrat, Beverly Fishman, Jenny Holzer, Page Kempner, Christopher Knowles, Georgia Marsh, Libbie Masterson, Angel Oloshove, Angel Otero, Joshua Pazda, Jan Rattia, Dario Robleto, Annabeth Rosen, Bret Shirley, Peter Sullivan, Ryan Sullivan, and Guy Yanai.

Proceeds from the annual Gala and Art Auction support CAMH’s world-class exhibitions as well as public and educational programs for children, teens, and adults. For information on how to purchase tickets to the 2018 Annual Gala and Art Auction, on Friday, April 13, visit camh.org/gala or email gala@camh.org.

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Rhona Bitner
Fitzgerald's, Houston, TX, January 16, 2013, from the
LISTEN project, 2013
color coupler print mounted on aluminum
42 x 42 inches
Courtesy of the artist



Billy Childish
temple marsh with fog, 2014
oil and charcoal on linen
72 x 120 inches
Courtesy of the artist and Lehmann Maupin, New
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David Aylsworth
Build to a Charisma, 2017
oil on canvas
22 x 30 inches
Courtesy of the artist and Inman Gallery, Houston

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General Information

The Contemporary Arts Museum Houston is located at 5216 Montrose Boulevard, at the corner of Montrose and Bissonnet, in the heart of Houston's Museum District. Hours are Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday 10AM–7PM, Thursday 10AM–9PM, Saturday 10AM–6PM, and Sunday 12PM–6PM.

Admission is always free. For more information, visit CAMH.ORG or call 713.284.8250.
