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Art Market

Picking the Best Numbers: Stockholm Art Week 2024

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Anchored around Market, Stockholm's leading art fair, Stockholm Art Week will take place in the Nordic capital May 14th-19th, 2024. The new gallery Antics is responsible for a book section as part of Market, at Fotografiska Jeff Cowen, exhibiting his photographs of Berlin from 2007 to 2023, will host a Masterclass with Knut Koivisto, Sergels Torg will be the stage of a plethora of programming, the contemporary art museum in the archipelago Artipelag offers reduced admission. and PR-maven and Stockholm Art Week's founder Joanna Sundström will discuss art, commerce, and branding with art and luxury brand industry professionals at Soho House.

Setting itself apart from other international art fairs, Market has a focus on galleries and artists from the Nordic region—Denmark, Finland, Iceland, and Norway—and, evidence of the vibrant artistic region and its market, presents more than 47 galleries and 100 artists. As many Nordic gallerists know, Sweden has one of the world's highest proportions of "dollar billionaires" per capita. According to the Forbes 2024 rich list, 43 people registered in Sweden were worth \$1bn or more (which is more than the 12 listed in the oil-rich country Norway). And, according to a 2021 study, there were 542 "kronor billionaires;" Swedes worth over \$100 million, a rise from 23 people in 1996. Although she does not mention art collecting, [Superrich Swedes](#), a new BBC documentary podcast episode by Stockholm-based British journalist Maddy Savage, delves deeper into the matter. Money is the foundation for a thriving art market. But, of course, one need not be a billionaire (in any currency) to acquire art, and chiefly, the most interesting art is readily available to the public at little or no cost.

With over 60 participating institutions, organizations, galleries, and venues and 150 events and programs Stockholm Art Week is the first [in a string of European art weeks](#) (followed by Amsterdam, London, Prague, Berlin, Barcelona, and finally Vienna, in November) who have come together under the network Spider. Calendaring is a numbers game, focusing on Stockholm we have listed a few events to help keep your timetable in check.

Jacob Dahlgren at Market (Andréhn-Schiptjenko and Market Talks)

Jacob Dahlgren is a Swedish multi-disciplinary conceptual artist, deeply engaged with stripes. Forming a foundation in his work, the artist incorporates his own life into his practice searching for geometric and abstract patterns that he can process into art. Starting in 2001, in his work *Daily T-Shirt*, he wore a striped t-shirt every day. "Concerned with a dialogue between the authoritative singularity of pure formal abstraction and its position within a variable, complex, and socially shared culture. Dahlgren's repetitious collections of ubiquitous and ordinary objects, often domestic, industrially manufactured stand in their gestalt form as proxy for High Modernist Abstract Painting and all of the ideological territory that Twentieth Century Art Theory has staked out for it," writes his gallery. There is both academicism and humor in his work.

Dahlgren will be showing in Andréhn-Schiptjenko's booth and will speak on a panel about Stockholm School of Economics together with artists and professors in "Why art at a business school?" on Saturday, May 18, 2-2:45 PM, Market Art Fair.

On Saturday, May 18th, 10 AM-12 PM visitors are welcome to join a self-guided gallery tour with several prominent galleries in Östermalm: Saskia Neuman Gallery, Andréhn-Schiptjenko, Public Service, and Dalenson Gallery. Later, galleries on Hudiksvallsgatan will also be open, and Galerie Nordenhake will open a solo exhibition featuring Cecilia Edefalk. Breakfast will be served. No RSVP required.