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Image: Phillip K. Smith III, Flat Torus - Variant 3:1, 2020, acrylic, aluminum, plywood, LED lighting, electronic components, unique color, 45 inches diameter x 5.5 inches deep.

Palm Springs Art Museum is pleased to announce nearly 60 emerging and established artists from across the country and local to the Palm Springs area are participating in Art Auction '21, an online fundraiser hosted by Sotheby's that runs from April 9-16, 2021.

The artwork is being selected by Louis Grachos, the museum's JoAnn McGrath Executive Director and CEO, and Rochelle Steiner, the organization's Chief Curator & Director of Public Programs and Education, with values ranging from \$5,000 to \$100,000.

To date, the list of artists includes:

Nick Aguayo, Lita Albuquerque, Dan Anderson, Janine Antoni, John Armleder, Stephanie Bachiero, Blake Baxter, Kelly Berg, Linda Besemer, Luc Bernard, Carlos Carulo, Nick Cave, Michael Childers, Gerald Clarke, Max Cole, Jonathan Cross, Kenturah Davis, John Divola, Teresita Fernández, Tom Friedman, Genevieve Gaignard, Sara Genn, Jeffrey Gibson, Sayre Gomez, Gonkar Gyatso, Arturo Herrera, Scot Heywood, Jim Hodges, Jim Isermann, Anthony James, Isaac Julian, Penelope Krebs, Liz Larner, Robert Longo, Ryan McGinness, Robert Moreland, Andy Moses, Ed Moses, Vik Muniz, Helen Pashgian, Jack Pierson, Rob Pruitt, Brian Rochefort, Ed Ruscha, Nancy Rubins, Alison Saar, Tom Sachs, Aili Schmeltz, Ryan Schneider, Gary Simmons, David Simpson, Phillip K. Smith, III, Barbara Stauffacher Solomon, Nellie King Solomon, Tavares Strachan, Robert Therrien Estate, Do Ho Suh, Garth Weiser, Pae White, and Andrea Zittel.



Image: Robert Longo, Study of Wing (Flipped), 2020, ink and charcoal on vellum, 12 1/4 x 21 inches.

The museum's ongoing member video series *Insiders View* will profile several artists involved in the auction. On March 11, *Insiders View* features a studio visit with Joshua Tree artist, Blake Baxter, discussing his unusual method of painting over layers of sand in a series of works entitled *Iteration*. On March 18, sculptor and painter Aili Schmeltz will be profiled in her Los Angeles studio talking about her works that incorporate sewing into painting. Then on April 1, artist Sara Genn will welcome viewers into her Palm Springs home, which serves as both residence and studio, and delve into her *New Alphabet* series of hard-edge paintings.

Additionally, the museum will host an Art Auction '21 virtual preview on April 8 at 5:00 p.m. (PST), the evening before the online auction opens for bidding. The preview will include an introduction from Grachos and Steiner, highlights of some of the available artwork, and short takes from a selection of participating artists. All virtual programs can be accessed at [artauction21.com](http://artauction21.com).

Hosted by Sotheby's, Art Auction '21 is an exclusively online auction and will open for bidding on Sothebys.com at 10:00 a.m. (EST)/7:00 a.m. (PST) on Friday, April 9 and close at 8:00 a.m. (EST)/11:00 a.m. (PST) on Friday,

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April 16, 2021. Proceeds from the event will provide vital funding for the museum's exhibitions and educational programs, and support the care of the over 12,000 artworks in the permanent collection. Registration and bidding will be accessible via [artauction21.com](http://artauction21.com) which will direct users to the Sotheby's auction portal.

Led by co-chairs Clayton Baldwin and Keith Markovitz, the Art Auction '21 committee includes museum trustees, collectors, and gallerists with deep connections to the Palm Springs community.