# Art Fair celebrates 10 years of: "Art for Everyone!"

### **EDINBURGH ART FAIR**

Edinburgh Corn Exchange, 11 New Market Road, Edinburgh, EH14 1RJ Friday 14th – Sunday 16th November 2014 Preview evening – Thursday 13th November 2014

The Edinburgh Art Fair celebrates its 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary this November. Over the past 10 years, it has undoubtedly gained a special place in Scotland's Art calendar. The Fair brings together 60 galleries from the UK and abroad for three days under one roof at the Corn Exchange, Edinburgh. It is a unique opportunity for anyone to view, and buy, contemporary art.

Organisers, Arte in Europa, have yet again gathered a great mix of galleries representing over 500 artists from very different horizons and working in different media: painting, printmaking, sculpture, glass, ceramics, jewellery.

There is a definite international dimension to the Fair this year with representation from **Ireland**, **Poland**, **India**, **Spain and Australia**. "It is the first time that we are welcoming a gallery, **Tingari Arts**, representing aboriginal artists from Australia" says Andy McDougall, Director of the Fair, who is also very excited about the participation of **Adhunik** a gallery from New Delhi.

Closer to home, eminent institutions such as **The Scottish Gallery** and **The Royal Scottish Academy**, will show along side regular participants to the Fair (**Eduardo Alessandro**, **Tallantyre**) and interesting new comers (**Arusha Gallery**, **Gallery Ten**, **The Sutton Gallery**, among others).

Printmaking will be particularly well represented this year with both **Edinburgh Printmakers and Glasgow Print Studio** taking part, along side smaller print studios including **Fife Dunfermline Print Workshop** and **Staithes Studio**.

There will be literally thousands of artworks available for sale over the weekend to suit all tastes and budgets. Indeed the Fair demonstrates that original artwork need not be out of reach: prices range from £100 to five figure sums. The Fair stands by its slogan of "**Art for Everyone**" and it delivers just that.

With the sheer abundance of work on display, the Edinburgh Art Fair is the place to look for the perfect painting or sculpture for the home or office.

The Fair is particularly keen to encourage young professionals and families to consider buying original art. "People can be a little intimidated about visiting galleries, but the Fair is the ideal place to take this first step" says Andy

McDougall, "there is no pretentiousness at our Fair just great art and galleries pleased to meet a new audience and help them find that special piece". "If you are considering starting an art collection or, if you are looking to add to an existing one, then look no further." concludes Andy.

The Fair positively welcomes young families: **a free crèche** is available for the younger visitors (birth to 12 years) where they can enjoy art-related activities, while their parents take a stroll around the Fair.

Visitors, adults and children, are encouraged to find out more about contemporary art at the Fair, through live **art demonstrations**, **artists talks and hands-on workshops**. Amazingly all these activities are free! This year, Fife Dunfermline Print Workshop, a collective of professional printmakers, will offer adults and children a chance to try their hand at making prints. Over the three days of the Fair, The Too Much Fun Club, a group of street artists, will create a 7 meter wall painting live in front of the public. A series of talks and demonstrations by acclaimed Scottish artists (including George Donald and Henry Kondracki) will take place every afternoon during the Fair.

All this means that you should plan to **make a day of it**. That's easy as there is a fully licensed bar and restaurant onsite where you can take a breather, relax over lunch and contemplate making a purchase with a glass of bubbly.

The Corn Exchange is a multi-award-winning venue that benefits from several bus and train routes. Lothian Bus 35 stops outside the Corn Exchange door and Slateford Train Station (on the Glasgow central line) is only a two-minute walk from the venue.

# The Edinburgh Art Fair supports the following charities;

Art in Healthcare
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# **Notes to Editors:**

**Event** Edinburgh Art Fair

**Venue Address:** Corn Exchange, 11 New Market Road, Edinburgh

**EH14 1RJ** 

**Organiser:** Arte in Europa

Dates & Opening Times: Friday 14th – Sunday 16th November 2014

Friday 11 am – 6pm, Saturday 11am – 6pm,

Sunday 11am – 5pm.

**Preview Evening:** Thursday 13th November 2014: 6.30pm - 9.30pm

**Tickets:** £5 (£3 concessions) on the door.

Preview evening tickets £10 each on the door.

Each ticket includes re-entry throughout the 3 days

of the fair.

Under 16s enter free, if accompanied by an adult

**Enquiries:** Telephone: +44 (0) 1875 819595

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**Transport:** The nearest railway station is Slateford on the

Glasgow central line (2 minutes walk), Edinburgh Haymarket Station (2.3 miles), Edinburgh Waverley

Station (3.4 miles).

Bus routes 3, 4, 25, 34, 35 and 44.

By Air: Edinburgh Airport (6.7 miles)

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