

Art World

Must-See Art Guide: London

This week's guide features Robert Mapplethorpe, Ai Weiwei, Mai-Thu Perret, and more.

Tatiana Berg, December 8, 2016



Wang Chuangchuang, *Shoot to Thrill* (2016). Courtesy of Arthill Gallery.

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With the Miami hoopla winding down, art goers are returning home to prepare for the holiday season. If you find yourself in London, there's always a lot to see, but you're probably too busy to sort through it all. You're slammed with work, shopping, [contemplating a post-Brexit life](#), so we'll get straight to the point: This is the art you need to see. We've put together a list of galleries with current exhibitions that warrant a break and a detour so you don't have to. Skip the long lines and crowds at the Tate or Victoria and Albert Museum and focus on the city's gallery scene, and consider this a welcome distraction from your family obligations. Go sit in front of some art instead.



Carl Laubin, *Walhalla* (2016). Courtesy of Plus One Gallery.

Exhibition: [“Carl Laubin: A Sentimental Journey”](#)

When: November 22–December 16, 2016

Where: [Plus One Gallery](#), B & C Trafalgar House, Juniper Drive, London, United Kingdom



Azadeh Razaghdoost, *Untitled from the 'Letters' series* (2011). Courtesy of Sophia Contemporary Gallery.

Exhibition: [“Azadeh Razaghdoost: Recipe for a Poem”](#)

When: November 24, 2016–February 10, 2017

Where: [Sophia Contemporary Gallery](#), 11 Grosvenor Street, London, United Kingdom



Robert Rauschenberg. *Untitled* (1968). Courtesy of Offer Waterman.

Exhibition: "Robert Rauschenberg: Transfer Drawings from the 1950s and 1960s"

When: December 2, 2016–January 13, 2017

Where: Offer Waterman, 17 St George Street, London, United Kingdom



John Keane. *If you knew me. If you knew yourself.* (2015). Courtesy of Flowers Gallery.

Auction: "John Keane If You Knew Me. If You Knew Yourself. You Would Not Kill Me."

When: November 4–December 10, 2016

Where: Flowers Gallery, 82 Kingsland Road, London, United Kingdom



Charlie Anderson, *Broke #2*. Courtesy of StolenSpace Gallery.

Exhibition: "ASSEMBLAGE"

When: December 2–December 23, 2016

Where: StolenSpace Gallery, 17 Osborne Street, London, United Kingdom



Wang Chuangchuang, *Shoot to Thrill* (2016). Courtesy of Arthill Gallery.

Exhibition: "IN FOCUS"

When: December 8, 2016–Sunday, February 26, 2017

Where: Arthill Gallery, Lourdes Apartments, North End Road, London, United Kingdom



Mai-Thu Perret, *The traveler seeking the road...* (2016). Courtesy of Simon Lee.

Exhibition: "[Mai-Thu Perret: Zone](#)"

When: November 23, 2016–February 4, 2017

Where: [Simon Lee](#), 12 Berkeley Street, London, United Kingdom

Exhibition: "[Teller on Mapplethorpe](#)"

When: November 18, 2016–January 7, 2017

Where: [Alison Jacques Gallery](#), 12-18 Berners Street, London, United Kingdom



Ai Weiwei, *Foundation*. Courtesy of Lisson Gallery.

Exhibition: "[Ai Weiwei: Fondation](#)"

When: November 25, 2016–January 7, 2017

Where: [Lisson Gallery](#), 27 & 52 Bell Street, London, United Kingdom



Johan Van Mullem, *P14080* (2014). Courtesy of Unit London.

Exhibition: "[Johan Van Mullem: De Anima](#)"

When: December 2, 2016–January 6, 2017

Where: [Unit London](#), 147 Wardour Street, London, United Kingdom

Exhibition: "[Claude & François-Xavier Lalanne](#)"

When: November 24, 2016–January 26, 2017

Where: [Ben Brown Fine Arts](#), 12 Brook's Mews, London, United Kingdom



Caragh Thuring, Courtesy of Thomas Dane Gallery.

Exhibition: "[Caragh Thuring](#)"

When: November 17, 2016–January 21, 2017

Where: Thomas Dane Gallery, 3&11 Duke Street, St. Jame's, London, United Kingdom