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PALM BEACH SHOW SNEAK PREVIEW: FEATURED IMMERSIVE INSTALLATIONS

February 13-18, 2025 • Presidents' Day Weekend



Featured: David Harber Mantle Sculpture

Palm Beach, **FL** (January 30, 2025) – Experience the extraordinary at the 22nd Annual <u>Palm Beach Show</u>, returning **February 13-18, 2025**, at the Palm Beach County Convention Center over Presidents' Day Weekend. In addition to showcasing over 130 exhibitor booths, this year's event unveils an exciting new dimension, inviting guests into a world where imagination takes center stage with immersive and interactive installations.

Step beyond the expected as the show floor transforms into a vibrant playground of creativity. These groundbreaking installations push traditional boundaries, offering visitors an unforgettable opportunity to engage, explore, and connect with art like never before. From awe-inspiring displays to hands-on experiences, every corner of the event promises to ignite curiosity and wonder.

Discover a preview of featured installations below and prepare to embark on an exhilarating journey through the dynamic intersection of innovation and artistry.

Captivating Installations

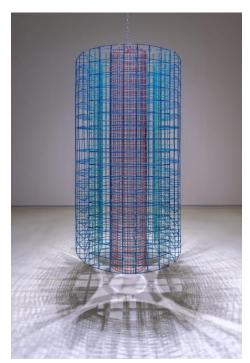
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RASHID AL KHALIFA

Rashid Al Khalifa Entrance Installation



As patrons enter the show, they will be immersed into a fully outfitted entrance showcase designed by Bahrain artist Rashid Al Khalifa.

The space will include Rashid's current work reflecting his fascination with light and color dynamics, paying tribute to Bahrain's cultural and geographical diversity. His creations stand as a contemporary homage to traditional Middle Eastern art, bridging heritage with modernity.

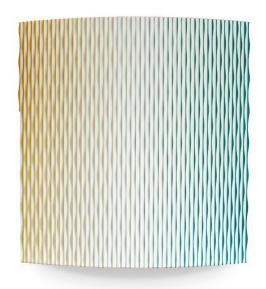
Rashid Al Khalifa Mobile Column V, 2024 Enamel on stainless steel

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Rashid Al Khalifa Waves II, 2023 Enamel on Aluminium 150 x 150 cm



Rashid Al Khalifa Waves III, 2023 Enamel on aluminium 120 x 120 cm



Circular Reflection In Orange, 2024



Circular Reflection In Baby Blue, 2024



Circular Reflection In Grey, 2024

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About the Artist Rashid Al Khalifa



Rashid Al Khalifa, born in 1952 in Bahrain, began his artistic journey with a solo exhibition at age 18. After studying in the UK, he returned home in 1978, inspired by Impressionist masters, and painted atmospheric landscapes of Bahrain's deserts, seas, and historic sites. By the late 1980s, Rashid merged figurative and landscape elements, evolving his style to incorporate decorative elements and geometric abstraction.

In the late 1990s, he pioneered the use of convex canvases, blending landscape, figurative, and abstract styles into a distinct visual language. This innovative format became central to his work, culminating in Convex: A New Perspective at the Bahrain National Museum in 2010. Rashid's exploration of light, texture, and minimalism

reflected Bahrain's changing architecture and cultural identity.

International acclaim followed with exhibitions at the Venice Biennale (2015) and the Saatchi Gallery in London (2018), where his large-scale Parametrics installations merged Middle Eastern design with modern techniques.

In recent years, he has continued to explore light, color, and texture through polished, multi-dimensional works showcased globally. Rashid's art serves as a contemporary tribute to Bahrain's rich cultural heritage and its evolving relationship with art, design, and architecture.

DAVIDHARBER

David Harber Installation Exhibition Booth 124

<u>David Harber</u>, the renowned British sculptor celebrated for his extraordinary outdoor artworks, returns to the 2025 Palm Beach Show as a featured installation exhibitor. Known for his sculptures, sundials, and water features, Harber's creations transform spaces by engaging viewers with their dynamic interaction of light, shadow, and reflection.

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Crafted from materials like stainless steel, bronze, copper, and stone, his works harmoniously blend ancient traditions with contemporary design. Harber's pieces, which have graced private gardens, public spaces, and commercial developments worldwide, reflect his commitment to exceptional craftsmanship, environmental consciousness, and sustainable innovation.

Visitors to the 2025 Palm Beach Show can explore David Harber's installation booth 124, where his iconic designs will be on display, showcasing his ability to redefine spaces and inspire through art. As a returning exhibitor, Harber's presence offers an exclusive opportunity to experience his acclaimed works firsthand, demonstrating why his creations are celebrated globally for their transformative beauty and thoughtful integration into their surroundings.



Mantle

Inspired by planet Earth, Mantle sculptures' intrigue lies in the tension between the wafer-thin crust and the golden interior; a metaphor for our ecosystem. A delicate latticework of hundreds of verdigris bronze petals, each with an underside gilded in 23% carat gold leaf give these bronze garden spheres an ethereal glow suggesting an inner life force. This breathtaking effect is made even more dramatic at night by subtle internal illumination.



Dark Planet

Dark Planet is made from hundreds of irregular black puddle stones meticulously arranged to form a unified whole. Nature is transformed into geometry, constructed in the intersection between tactile and the visual. At dusk, light permeates through the fissures between the stones, illuminating Dark Planet's core to dramatic effect.

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Torus

Torus mirrors its environment and provides a frame, inviting the viewer to look through a portal to another world. Torus is a statement sculpture, crafted from mirror polished stainless steel, featuring convex curves, knife edge seams and an eye-catching central aperture. It reflects its environment, whilst simultaneously creating a stunning focal point. Timeless, mystical and absorbing, Torus has the power to transform every situation in which its placed.



Bite

Within a verdigris copper sphere, three concave curves of mirror-polished stainless steel – or bites – create reflective surfaces that draw the viewer in and reflect the surroundings. The seamless transition from a perfect sphere into parabolic mirror inlays create a fascinating optical illusion in this unusual modern garden sculpture.

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Funny Birds' Secret Garden



Acclaimed Venetian artist Anna Paola Cibin debuts her latest masterpiece, The Funny Birds' Secret Garden, exclusively at the Palm Beach Show 2025. This captivating aviary installation celebrates the beauty of birds through 46 meticulously crafted Murano glass sculptures, a tribute to Cibin's deep connection with Venice and its lagoon's natural splendor.

The installation reimagines an enchanted aviary where resident and migrating birds transform into vibrant, magical creations, crafted with the renowned artistry of Murano glass. Each sculpture is a poetic embodiment of Venice, reflecting its luminous interplay of sky, earth, and water. Visitors are invited to

explore this secret garden, uncovering the intricate beauty of nature and awakening their imaginations.

The glass birds, ranging from cuckoos and starlings to robins and doves, convey narratives of emotion and wonder. Through delicate details and dynamic reflections, Cibin's sculptures evoke the essence of freedom and longing—a desire to take flight and embrace new horizons.

For the Palm Beach Show, Cibin unveils new works that expand her enchanting aviary, blending art and nature. These luminous creations showcase her mastery of glass craftsmanship, offering visitors an immersive experience of beauty, inspiration, and storytelling.

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For additional information about the Palm Beach Show, please visit www.PalmBeachShow.com

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About the 2025 Palm Beach Show:

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Opening Night Preview Party

Thursday, February 13, 2025 4pm-9pm

VIP Preview – 4pm Entry (Invitation or \$100 Multi-Day Ticket Per Person) Collectors Preview – 6pm Entry (Invitation or \$50 Multi-Day Ticket Per Person)

General Show Days - (Invitation or \$30 Multi-Day General Admission Ticket Per Person)

Friday, February 14
Saturday, February 15
Sunday, February 16
Monday, February 17
Tuesday, February 18

11am – 6pm
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ADMISSION: \$50 - \$100 for VIP Opening Night Ticket and \$30 for General Admission Ticket All purchased tickets are valid for all General Show Days

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