

# Phoenix Art Museum

News Release

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## Phoenix Art Museum and Contemporary Forum present art auction to benefit Museum exhibitions, educational programs

*Museum support group Contemporary Forum will hold its annual art auction on January 27, 2018*

**PHOENIX (December 15, 2017)** – On Saturday, January 27, Phoenix Art Museum will host [Contemporary Forum](#)'s annual art auction event. This year's auction, entitled [Going Once!](#), will take place beginning at 6 pm in the Museum's Cummings Great Hall. The event is Contemporary Forum's principal annual fundraiser, and all proceeds from the auction provide funding for Museum's contemporary art collection, for modern and contemporary exhibitions, and educational programs. The auction will feature nationally and locally recognized artists, including Shelia Pepe, Kehinde Wiley, Eric Fischl, and others.

Guests will have the opportunity to bid on paintings, sculptures, photography, and mixed-media works at a wide range of price points. Featured works include pieces by Shelia Pepe, Kehinde Wiley, Eric Fischl, Bassim Al-Shaker, Christine Cassano, Sean Deckert, Erica Deeman, Maximo Gonzalez, Matt Magee, Falah Saeedi, and Patricia Sannit, with more than 60 artists represented in total.

### Event Details:

Preview of works at the Museum on Wednesday, January 24:

- 6 – 8 pm

Auction night on Saturday, January 27:

- 6 – 7 pm | Art preview and silent auction. Cocktails will be served.
- 7 – 9 pm | Live auction and seated dinner.

[Tickets](#) are \$250 per person. To purchase, please visit [tickets.phxart.org](http://tickets.phxart.org). Cocktail attire requested.

Artwork can be viewed [here](#) and at [contemporaryforum.org](http://contemporaryforum.org) beginning December 20<sup>th</sup>. For more information, please contact [events-cf@phxart.org](mailto:events-cf@phxart.org).

### About Contemporary Forum

[Contemporary Forum](#) (CF) is a dynamic volunteer organization whose mission is to support the development of contemporary art at Phoenix Art Museum. Dedicated to promoting interest in and understanding of contemporary art at the Museum, CF provides its members with lectures, films, artists' studio tours, private collection tours, opportunities for domestic and international travel, and more. CF's two major annual fundraisers are the Going Once! Art Auction in January and Art + Architecture Weekend in April, both of which directly benefit the Museum's contemporary art collection, exhibitions, and educational initiatives. CF also aids Phoenix-area artists through the annual Arlene and Morton Scult Contemporary Forum Artists Award and the Artists Grants Program, which have awarded over \$270,000 to 188 Arizona artists since the program's inception. For more information, please visit [contemporaryforum.org](http://contemporaryforum.org).

### About Phoenix Art Museum

Phoenix Art Museum has provided access to visual arts and educational programs in Arizona for more than 50 years and is the largest art museum in the Southwestern United States. Critically acclaimed national and international exhibitions are shown alongside the Museum's permanent collection of more than 18,000 works of American, Asian, European, Latin American, Western American, modern and contemporary art, and fashion design. The Museum also presents festivals, a comprehensive film program, live performances and educational programs designed to enlighten, entertain and stimulate visitors of all ages. Visitors also enjoy vibrant photography

exhibitions through the Museum's landmark partnership with the Center for Creative Photography, University of Arizona. To learn more about Phoenix Art Museum, visit [phxart.org](http://phxart.org), or call the 24-hour recorded information line at 602.257.1222.

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