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(l to r) *Mad Men* star Jessica Pare, AAM CEO, Director and Chief Curator Heidi Zuckerman Jacobson, and ArtCrush Chair Amy Phelan; Sotheby's European Senior International Specialist of Contemporary Art, Oliver Barker, during the Live Auction, AAM Aspen Award for Art 2013 Honoree Teresita Fernández. Images courtesy of the Billy Farrell Agency.

ASPEN ART MUSEUM 2013 ARTCRUSH BENEFIT GALA RAISES \$2.1 MILLION

TERESITA FERNÁNDEZ HONORED WITH ASPEN AWARD FOR ART; HER NEW WORK, CREATED FOR THE EVENT'S AUCTION, GAVELS FOR \$220K

ASPEN, CO—On Friday, August 2, 2013, the Aspen Art Museum hosted its ninth annual **ArtCrush** summer benefit, raising \$2.1 million to benefit the Museum's exhibition and educational programming. The eleven-lot 2013 ArtCrush Live Auction of contemporary art raised a total of \$925,000, and the 76-lot Silent art Auction garnered an additional \$843,000 in support of the museum's renowned contemporary programming—record highs for the event in both auction categories.

ArtCrush Aspen Award for Art honoree **Teresita Fernández** was in attendance as a new work she created especially for this year's gala sold for \$220K—over twice its \$100K estimated value. Titled *Blind Land (Green Mirror)*, the precision-cut, stainless steel, horizontal work was among the highlights of the live auction, presided over for the second consecutive year by **ArtCrush Sponsor Sotheby's' European Senior International Specialist of Contemporary Art, Oliver Barker**. This year's event marked Sotheby's' seventh consecutive year as ArtCrush's Presenting Sponsor.

The other highlights of the evening's live auction were: **Lorna Simpson's** *Ruby and Black* (\$38K), which will remain on view at the Museum through September 22, as part of her current exhibition *Lorna Simpson: Works on Paper*; **Catherine Opie's** *Untitled #2*

(\$52K); **Rob Pruitt's** *Cocaine* (\$75K); **Glenn Kaino's** *In Search of a New Model [Tubastrea]* (\$70K); **Ernesto Neto's** *Borbulhante* (\$65K); **Liza Lou's** *Unclean* (\$60K); **Shirin Neshat's** *Leah [Masses]*, from the *Book of Kings* series (\$40K); **RETNA's** *Drifting on a Memory* (\$50K); **Gabriel Kuri's** *Untitled [17, 10, 10]* (\$75K); and an **Ellsworth Kelly** drawing on paper titled *Easter Lily*, which gaveled for \$180,000.

The silent art auction items included works by such esteemed artists as **Rita Ackerman**, **Cory Arcangel**, **Iwan Baan**, **Alexandre da Cunha**, **Thea Djordjadze**, **Dzine (b. Carlos Rolon)**, **Shannon Finley**, **Kate Gilmore**, **Ian Kiaer**, **Josephine Meckseper**, **Jason Middlebrook**, **Angel Otero**, **Roxy Paine**, **Erik Parker**, **Tom Sachs**, **Kenny Scharf**, **David Shrigley**, **Yinka Shonibare (MBE)**, **Taryn Simon**, **Ricky Swallow**, **Hayley Tompkins** and more.

AAM National Council member **Amy Phelan** once again Chaired the 2013 festivities. The main Friday night event marked the culmination of the museum's three-day benefit, which hosts approximately 400 of the world's most influential art collectors, wine connoisseurs, artists, gallery owners, museum directors, curators, global business leaders, and celebrities. ArtCrush 2013 event attendees included such notables as AAM Board of Trustees Vice-President and fashion-world icon **Domenico De Sole** and AAM board member **Lance Armstrong**, 2013 ArtCrush sponsor Audi's special guest, renowned actress and hit television series *Mad Men* star **Jessica Paré**, and DJ duo **The Dolls: Mia Moretti and Margot**—who were the featured entertainment at **AfterPartyCrush** at Belly Up, Aspen, just following the main event.

Leading up to the main ArtCrush gala on Friday night, there were several major events. On Wednesday, July 31, the **WineCrush** event took place at the home of ArtCrush Chair Amy Phelan and Museum Board of Trustees Co-President John Phelan. The evening began with glasses of **Dom Pérignon's** legendary champagne and featured a special tasting of **WineCrush event sponsor Tenuta di Biserno's** rare vintages guided by the evening's special guest **Lodovico Antinori**. The limited-attendance evening also featured rare wine vintages and food pairings presented by master sommeliers led by **Jay Fletcher, Executive Director of Fine Wine and Master Sommelier for Southern Wine and Spirits**.

On Thursday, August 1st, there was a kickoff party sponsored by **Casterline | Goodman Gallery** at their Aspen location, and the official auction preview took place at **Richard Edward's Baldwin Gallery**, also in Aspen.

Each year, ArtCrush draws major art-world figures from around the globe. 2013 attendees included:

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Kavi Gupta, Kavi Gupta Gallery
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Michelle Pobar, Cherry and Martin Gallery
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2013 ATTENDING ARTISTS

Whitney Bedford, Los Angeles

Rosson Crow, Los Angeles

Dzine, Chicago

Teresita Fernández, New York, 2013 Aspen Award for Art Honoree

Caio Fonseca, New York

Natalie Frank, New York

Nate Lowman, New York

Randy Polumbo, New York

Kenny Scharf, New York | Los Angeles

Guests enjoyed the Aspen Art Museum's compelling contemporary art exhibitions, both on view through September 22, 2013: *Lorna Simpson: Works on Paper* highlights a recent body of work—including a series of works created during her tenure as the Aspen Art Museum's 2013 Jane and Marc Nathanson Distinguished Artist in Residence—that explores the complex relationship between the photographic archive and processes of self-fashioning; and, the first solo presentation in a North American institution of the work of artist **Hayley Tompkins**, whose paintings and painted objects emphasize the energy found in small things and economical gestures.

For more information visit aspenartmuseum.org/event/artcrush-2013

The **Aspen Art Museum** is a non-collecting institution presenting the newest, most important evolutions in international contemporary art. Our innovative and timely exhibitions, education and public programs, immersive activities, and community happenings actively engage audiences in thought-provoking experiences of art, culture, and society.

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