

Official partner of FIAC since 2009, the Galeries Lafayette group renews its support to the emerging art scene with the 8th edition of *Secteur Lafayette*

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The Galeries Lafayette group, official partner of the 43rd edition of FIAC – International Contemporary Art Fair held in Paris from October 20th to 23rd- reaffirms its engagement in favor of contemporary creation with the eighth edition of *Secteur Lafayette*.

Created by the Galeries Lafayette in 2009, *Secteur Lafayette* strives to provide financial support for young international galleries that feature the work of emerging artists. This ambitious initiative offers young artists strategic visibility at this major art market event.

For the 2016 edition, the 10 galleries selected from 7 countries (France, Germany, India, Mexico, United Arab Emirates, the United Kingdom and the United States) illustrate how dynamic the international art market is: **Allen** (Paris), **Arcade** (London), **Experimenter** (Kolkata), **Freedman Fitzpatrick** (Los Angeles), **Grey Noise** (Dubai), **Hollybush Gardens** (London), **Josegarcia ,mx** (Mexico City), **Kraupa-Tuskany Zeidler** (Berlin), **Micky Schubert** (Berlin) and **TORRI** (Paris).



Experimenter, Kolkata
Bani Abidi
Karachi Series II- Beach_Film Still, 2014



Hollybush Gardens, London
Bonner Kunstverein
Installation view, 2014



Arcade, London
Caroline Achaintre
Mother George, 2015, hand tufted wool



joségarcía ,mx, México
Tania Pérez Córdova
They say it makes miracle, 2015

This year's galleries were selected among more than one hundred candidates by a jury of experts composed of **Daria de Beauvais** (Curator - Palais de Tokyo, Paris), **Florence Bonnefous** (Air de Paris, Paris), **Guillaume Houzé**, (Director of Patronage and Image, Galeries Lafayette group, Paris), **François Quintin** (Delegate Director, Fondation d'Entreprise Galeries Lafayette) and **María Inés Rodríguez** (Director CAPC / musée d'art contemporain de Bordeaux, Bordeaux).

This program aligns itself with the Group's historical engagement in favor of contemporary creation. In its crafts, its engagement as patron of the arts and in the passion and convictions of the shareholding family for five generations, valorizing and democratizing creation have been at the heart of the Group's values. With the impulse of the Direction of Patronage, the Group pays particular attention to artists, and supports young designers throughout their creative processes: by directly producing their pieces, by helping them access the art market, by offering them visibility and allowing them to encounter their audience. The renewed partnership with FIAC is the occasion to reaffirm the support of the emerging art scene in Paris and internationally.

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