

## Top 5 events in visual arts for 2013-14 season

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Photography from Brazil Art Fair, Nino Cais, Central art gallery

### 1. The opening of PAMM.

By far the most anticipated art event of the year will be the opening of the Perez Art Museum Miami designed by Herzog & de Meuron. The building will be worth the visit alone, but opening day will reveal some top-notch exhibitions, starting with the survey of superstar Chinese artist Ai Wei Wei, and also including shows of the seminal Cuban painter Amelia Peláez and contemporary Brazilian painter Beatriz Milhazes.

Dec. 4 at PAMM in Museum Park off Biscayne Boulevard just south of the MacArthur Causeway; [www.pamm.org](http://www.pamm.org).

### 2. "Love of Technology" at MOCA

The first show from the new curator and temporary director of the Museum of Contemporary Art North Miami, Alex Gartenfeld, will highlight 14 international artists, with some site-specific and newly commissioned works along with older pieces from the 1970s, focused on our intimate connection with technology — a first glimpse of what Gartenfeld will bring to the table.

Sept. 26 at MOCA, 770 NE 125th St., North Miami; [mocanomi.org](http://mocanomi.org).

### 3. "A Painter and Her Audience"

Miami-Dade College Museum of Art + Design has finally found its footing in the Freedom Tower, with a new director and some recent strong shows. The lifetime retrospective of Cuban painter Antonia Eiriz is a good example: the influential and revolutionary painter (though not in the way Castro imagined) of the 1960s profoundly affected artists who came after her, including many who now call Miami home. Many of the works have never been seen here before, and the exhibit will include work from those who followed her.

"Antonia Eiriz: A Painter and Her Audience" opens Sept. 12, with a panel discussion at 7 p.m. Oct. 1 . at MDC Museum of Art + Design, Freedom Tower, 600 Biscayne Blvd.; [www.mdcmoad.org](http://www.mdcmoad.org).

#### 4. “The Year of the Artist”

Where Don and Mera Rubell go, the art world often follows, so every year whatever is unveiled at the Rubell Family Collection is closely followed. This time around, “The Year of the Artist” will feature works from wellknown contemporary Chinese artists along with fresh up-and-comers, 25 in all — the Rubells have been avid collectors of new Chinese art for some time.

Opens Dec. 4 and runs through the year; the Rubell Family Collection, 95 NW 29th St., Miami; [rfc.museum/](http://rfc.museum/).

#### 5. Brazil ArtFair

More proof that Brazil is rocketing to international prominence: the country will get its own art fair during Art Basel Miami Beach, featuring 40-some galleries and some of the red-hot names coming out of the South American cultural hubs of Rio de Janeiro and São Paulo.

Dec. 3-8 in Woodson Mini Park, Northwest 36th St., Midtown, Miami; [www.brazilartfair.com](http://www.brazilartfair.com).