

Join the Grand Tour

Art Basel Miami Beach is the largest U.S. contemporary art fair, but serious collectors increasingly crisscross the world's other fairs to get the buzz on new trends, bargains, and changes in style. Coming soon, some of these influentials:

THE ARMORY SHOW



New York [MARCH 27 TO 30]
This giant fair, at Manhattan's cavernous Pier 94, specializes in art by living artists. In recent years, attentive collectors could have bought works by Richard Prince, David LaChapelle, and Marlene Dumas for a third of current prices. Get there before the MOMA trustees.

ARTROPOLIS/ART CHICAGO



Chicago [APRIL 25 TO 28]
Five concurrent art fairs, centered in Chicago's huge Merchandise Mart, take over the city each spring. Art Chicago recently hired Paul Morris, founder of the Armory Show, to increase traffic and raise the quality of the art.