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## [Top Ten Reasons To Go To Artropolis If You Weren't Going Already](#)

If you don't know what Artropolis is, or if you do but were just gonna skip it, you might want to reconsider.

- **Location:** Its at the famous [Merchandise Mart](#), so it is easy enough to get to.
- **Time:** [Artropolis](#) happens every year, but it only happens for four days.
- **Local Exhibitors:** I was surprised at how many of the booths were local spaces, and some which I previously didn't know even existed.
- **International Exhibitors:** Galleries from around the world have come here to show you some stuff, the least you could do is jump on a train and look what they brought.
- **The Artists:** There will be hundreds of artists in attendance at any moment for you to tell how your nephew is a great drawer.
- **The Art:** See amazingly cool cutting edge new art without ever being too far from some traditional painting that might match the couch.
- **The People:** There is some amazing people to interact with at any art event, this is no exception, some of them won't even know your interacting with them.
- **NEXT Projects:** True story, this is possibly the most impressive collection of pieces throughout the entire show.
- **Buy artwork:** Les face it, these are some of the best artists in the world. If you are looking to buy art, this is the fair to find the galleries and artists to buy from.
- **Antiques:** Oh yeah there is that big [International Antique Fair](#) also.

I hope these help you reconsider attending Artropolis this year.

— *MartinJon*

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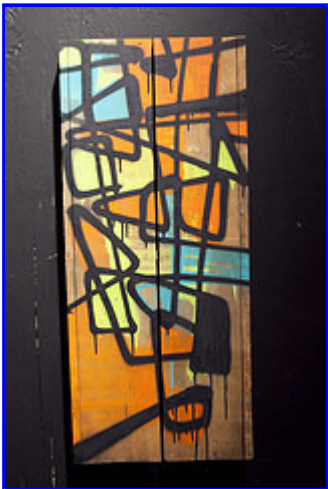
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