

PIGMENTED: A BLACK FINE ART FAIRE

October 30 – November 2, 2025 Zhou B. Art Center | 1029 W. 35th Street | Chicago, IL 60615

A CELEBRATION OF BLACK FINE ART MONTH (BFAM)

This October, experience the inaugural <u>Pigmented Black Fine Art Faire</u>—a first-of-its-kind, Black-run fine art fair in Chicago. Taking place at the **Zhou B. Art Center** in the Bridgeport neighborhood, Pigmented unites premier Black galleries, visionary artists, and influential arts organizations from across the country.

Pigmented is the signature event of **Black Fine Art Month**, a homegrown celebration entered into the **Congressional Record** by Congresswoman Robin Kelly in 2019. Already celebrated in cities like Aurora, IL and Houston, TX, BFAM shines in Chicago this fall.

WHY PIGMENTED MATTERS

Pigmented celebrates Black artistic excellence while honoring two major milestones in Chicago's Black art history:

- The American Negro Exhibition (1940) The first Negro World's Fair, held in Chicago.
- South Side Community Art Center The oldest continuously operating Black art center in the U.S.

As Chicago's **first Black-run fine art fair**, Pigmented offers a rare and vital platform for visibility, community, and cultural leadership.

PIGMENTED BLACK FINE ART FAIRE SCHEDULE

Thursday, October 30

VIP Collectors Preview: Chicago Renaissance



Hosted by Diasporal Rhythms 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM | *Dress to Impress*

Friday, October 31

Conversation Stage + GangGang After Dark

5:00 PM - 10:00 PM

Saturday, November 1

Conversation Stage

Meet Our Community Partners

11:00 AM - 7:00 PM

Sunday, November 2

Conversation Stage

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11:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Admission - \$20 Per Day | \$50 Three Day Unlimited Access



PARTICIPATING BLACK OWNED FINE ART GALLERIES

Walterkolours Gallery (Memphis) – Celebrated for its vibrant contemporary works and commitment to local Southern artists.

Faié Afrikan Art (Chicago, Bronzeville) – A cornerstone institution in Chicago's historic Black cultural district, offering museum-quality African and African American art.

September Gray Fine Art (Atlanta) – One of the South's premier Black-owned contemporary art galleries, spotlighting emerging and established artists.

Blackbird Gallery (Detroit) – A rising gallery championing Detroit's dynamic and evolving Black art scene.

Mahogany Gallery (Racine, WI) – Wisconsin's only Black-owned art gallery, known for its powerful exhibitions and community engagement.

Connect Gallery (Chicago) – A West Loop gem celebrating diversity in visual storytelling and multimedia art.

Women's Live Art Studio (Chicago) – A collective space centering Black women artists and live art performance.

EXPERIENCE ART AS EMPOWERMENT

Explore curated exhibitions. Engage in critical conversations. Celebrate the diversity and power of Black artistic expression.

Join us in shaping the future of fine art in Chicago and beyond.

PIGMENTED: WHERE ART MEETS EMPOWERMENT

#Pigmented2025 | #BlackFineArtMonth | #BFAM

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- Meet Our Founder
- Black Chicago Renaissance
- The American Negro World's Fair



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