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From the Public Art You Can Still See to the Death of Genesis P-Orridge: The Best and Worst of the Art World This Week

Catch up on this week's news, fast.

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Deborah Kass, *OY/YO* (2015). Courtesy of New York City Parks Department, Art in the Parks.

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The Art of Fashion – Sander Lak, creative director of the ready-to-wear label Sies Marjan, joins us on the Art Angle Podcast to talk about why the two disciplines should stay in their lanes.

See What You Can, While You Still Can – Is there any art left to see in person these days? Here's a guide to public artworks and window installations you can safely view out in the world for the time being.

A Nifty New Tool to Buy Art – The infamous Winklevoss twins unveiled a new digital art marketplace based on blockchain called Nifty Gateway.

Virtual Visits – Getting a little cabin fever? Why not take a virtual trip to a museum with Google Arts and Culture’s encyclopedic log of international institutions?

Detroit Is Making Donations – The city’s Library Street Collective gallery is donating coloring books and free meals to children in need while schools are shut down until further notice.

Art Ignites a Movement – Sometimes art is the only way to really get a point across, and thanks to a viral video by two animation artists , the world is understanding just how important it is to socially isolate.

Face Masks for the Front Lines – Conservators at Amsterdam’s Rijksmuseum are donating their surgical masks and gloves to who are in dire need of supplies.

WORST

Remembering Genesis P-Orridge – The artist died after a two-year battle with cancer , and is remembered for a gender-bending life that was dedicated to art, music, and individuality.

A New Normal at the Met – The Metropolitan Museum of Art is expecting a shortfall of as much as \$100 million, but the museum’s leaders have a three-prong plan for the coming months.

An Oxford College Caper – Thieves stole \$12 million worth of Old Master paintings from the Christ Church Picture Gallery at the University of Oxford.

Paddle8 Files for Bankruptcy – The online auction house filed for Chapter 11 protection this week, shortly after allegations of misallocating funds were made public.

Art Fair Freeze – One of the most hotly anticipated spring art events, Frieze New York, set to open in May, was cancelled this week.

Museums Shutter Around the World – What began in the US is extending overseas as museums across the UK are now closing to the public until the current health crisis can get under control.

Auction Houses Shift the Calendar – Christie’s and Phillips will hold mega-sales in June after cancelling their spring auctions in New York.

Met Gala Postponed – The super chic event has been called off amid the current crisis, which will likely have dire consequences for the Costume Institute’s budget next year.

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