

Unscripted Bal Harbour and Creative Minds Talks team up for first Chicago collaboration

EXPO CHICAGO President | Director Tony Karman Featured at iconic Chopin Theater

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: *Miami, June 10, 2016:* This art season Unscripted, the Village of Bal Harbour's international art program, has teamed up with Creative Minds Talks to present the first art talk in Chicago during the premiere contemporary and modern art fair EXPO CHICAGO held from September 22-25, 2016 at Navy Pier. The partnership pairs Unscripted's already renowned talk series with Creative Minds Talks, a Miami-based series that covers art, design, fashion and architecture. The talk will be hosted by Chicago's iconic Chopin Theater, and guest speaker EXPO CHICAGO President | Director Tony Karman, will address how public art does and should activate its audience. Chicago's vast city public art collection and significant architecture provides the perfect backdrop for the discussion, which will be attended by Bal Harbour guests, art fair attendees and the public. The talk is scheduled for Monday, September 19 at 8pm at Chopin Theater.

Spearheaded by Bal Harbour's curator Claire Breukel and Creative Minds Talks founder and producer Ewa Poilleux, this partnership signifies regional expansion of the Unscripted art program following its collaboration with The Armory Show, New York in 2015 and 2016. Bal Harbour Village City Manager Jorge Gonzalez explains the significance of collaborating regionally:

Bal Harbour's visitors hail from all over the world, and from the United States with concentrations from New York, Chicago and California. We hope to reciprocate this investment by bringing quality programming to these destinations. We are excited to be collaborating with like-minded arts initiatives Creative Minds Talks and EXPO CHICAGO.

Creative Minds Talks founder and producer Ewa Poilleux is equally excited about the collaboration:

We are very excited to kick off our Creative Minds Series in Chicago with such a great partner, Unscripted Bal Harbour. We are equally happy to feature Tony Karman as our first guest speaker and discuss public art as an integrated part of our culture and society. We hope the art talk is a beginning of an ongoing regional cultural collaboration.

To celebrate this collaboration, EXPO CHICAGO has given Bal Harbour residents attending the fair an added perk including VIP access and an exclusive private tour of the fair.

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About Unscripted Bal Harbour

Unscripted Bal Harbour is the arts and culture program of Bal Harbour Village in Miami, Florida. Founded in 2012, the program aims to provide unique access to the arts for its residents and guests, collaborate with the local, regional and international cultural community, and provide a platform for critical art dialogue. Unscripted's programs includes an Art Access card affording Bal Harbour residents and guests free year round access to 13 of Miami's premiere arts institutions, Art Tour to museums and private collections as well as a public ArtChat series featuring international art experts such a Don and Mera Rubell, Tania Bruguera, Teresita Fernandez, Jorge Perez, Mark Dion, Candice Breitz and many more.

About Creative Minds Talks

Creative Minds Talks - series of conversations that will cover art, fashion, design and architecture, but will also extend exploration to all topics that can collectively live under the Creative Minds conceptual umbrella - from music to dance or literature to media. Founded in 2015 in Miami, in September 2016 Creative Minds Talks will launch in Chicago and in 2017 in Los Angeles and New York. For more information, please visit www.creativemindstalks.com

About EXPO CHICAGO

EXPO CHICAGO/2016, The International Exposition of Contemporary and Modern Art, is presented by Art Expositions, LLC. Now in its fifth year as a leading international art fair, EXPO CHICAGO (Sept. 22 – 25, 2016) is a four-day art event featuring more than 140 leading international galleries and offering diverse programming including /Dialogues, IN/SITU, IN/SITU Outside, EXPO VIDEO and the Curatorial Forum. In addition, EXPO CHICAGO continues to publish THE SEEN, Chicago's International Journal of Contemporary & Modern Art, following the first printed edition, which launched during the 2015 exposition. Under the leadership of President and Director Tony Karman, EXPO CHICAGO draws upon the city's rich history as a vibrant international cultural destination, while highlighting the region's contemporary arts community and inspiring its collector base. Vernissage, the opening night preview benefiting the Museum of Contemporary Art Chicago, takes place Thursday, Sept 22, 6 – 9 p.m. General Admission to the exposition is Friday, Sept. 23 – Sunday, Sept. 25 (for hours please visit expo-chicago.com). Tickets to the exposition are \$20 for one day, \$30 for three days. Northern Trust is the Presenting Sponsor of EXPO CHICAGO. For more information about EXPO CHICAGO and EXPO ART WEEK (Monday Sept. 19 – Sunday Sept. 25), visit expo-chicago.com.