

Gianni Jetzer to Head Swiss Museum, Zaha Hadid Architects Designs Libertarian City in Metaverse, and More: Morning Links for March 23, 2022

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The Headlines

THE DIRECTOR'S CHAIR: EUROPEAN DISPATCH. Curator **Gianni Jetzer**, who has served as curator-at-large at the **Hirshhorn Museum and Sculpture Garden** in Washington, D.C., because 2014, has actually been tapped to be director of the **Kunstmuseum St. Gallen** in Switzerland, *ArtReview* reports. From 2001 to 2006, the Zurich-born Jetzer led the **Kunsthalle Sankt Gallen**, and from 2012 to 2019 he arranged the Unlimited area of the **Art Basel** reasonable in that Swiss city. Meanwhile, **Christoph Platz-Gallus** has been appointed director of the **Kunstverein Hannover** in Germany. A veteran of the **Documenta** 13 and 14 groups, Platz-Gallus has actually been head of curatorial affairs at the **Steirischer Herbst celebration** in Graz, Austria, given that 2018.

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THE CRYPTO SCENE. **Beeple**, aka **Mike Winkelmann**, the \$69 million male, talked NFTs in the *Washington Post*. "I'm simply attempting to broaden individuals's concept of what art is a little bit," he stated, and described, "I desire to make something that feels like it's going to last." Also, **Yuga Labs**, the company behind the cherished and reviled **Bored Apes Yacht Club**, has lined up a cool \$450 million in financing in a round led by VC kingpins **Andreessen Horowitz**, *Bloomberg* reports. Last week, an **ApeCoin** debuted, there is talk of the Apes alighting on high-end products, and Yuga is now stated to be at work on a metaverse task.

The Digest

Bonhams just cannot stop purchasing other auction companies! The London-based home has snapped up **Bruun Rasmussen**, of Copenhagen, its 3rd huge acquisition this year, following following acquisitions of **Skinner**, of Boston, and **Bukowskis**, of Stockholm, Sweden. [Artnet News]

Zaha Hadid Architects has launched makings of a libertarian-focused city it is developing in the metaverse, **Liberland**, based on the **Free Republic of Liberland**, a micro country that declares contested area near Croatia and Serbia. Naturally, there will be an exhibit area for NFTs. [CNN]

This summertime, the **Smithsonian** is anticipated to reveal 6 or 7 possible websites for the upcoming **National Museum of the American Latino** and the **American Women's History Museum** in Washington, D.C. [The Art Newspaper]

Thirty-nine antiquities from the collection of billionaire **Michael Steinhardt** that are thought to have actually been robbed have actually been returned to Israel, consisting of 2 gold masks from 5,000 B.C.E. Last year, Manhattan's district lawyer revealed that Steinhardt had agreed to give up a overall of 180 items approximated to be worth some \$70 million as part of a offer to prevent prosecution. [Associated Press]

Adrienne Edwards, co-curator of the 2022 **Whitney Biennial**, penned an essay about the late artist **Denyse Thomasos**, whose work will be in the program. Thomasos, who passed away in 2012 at the age of 47, made abstractions that capture "the offensive, irresolvable, the unthinkable, that which cannot be represented however maybe just felt," Edwards composes. [The New York Times]

The Kicker

ONE FOR THE BOOKS. Artist **Sandy Brown** is getting prepared to reveal what is being billed as the highest ceramic sculpture in the United Kingdom, the *Guardian* reports. The piece—vibrantly colored, exceptionally formed, and entitled *Earth Goddess*—will stand approximately 39 feet high when it is setup. It was commissioned as part of an effort to promote the town and its art scene. "I've lived with her for 2 years," Brown stated of the piece. "It will be unfortunate to see her go. The location will feel a little empty without her." [The Guardian]

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