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## JMW Turner Emblazons £20 Note, New Director of Art Dubai, and More

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The Bank of England Governor, Mark Carney, announced that J.M.W. Turner will appear on the next £20 note. (The Governor and Company of The Bank of England 2016)

— **JMW Turner Emblazons New £20 Note:** The **Bank of England** has announced that a self-portrait of **JMW Turner** will emblazon the new £20 notes, with Turner's painting "The Fighting Temeraire" (1839) in the background. "It's so amazing that an artist has been chosen for the £20 note and an artist who was a wild maverick," said English artist Tracey Emin. The new design will enter circulation in 2020. [[Artnet](#)]

— **Antonia Carver Steps Down From Directing Art Dubai:** Writer, editor, and consultant **Myrna Ayad** has been named the new director of **Art Dubai**, replacing Antonia Carver. Carver leaves to direct **Art Jameel**, a Saudi arts and culture foundation. On the transition from writer to fair director, Ayad said: "As journalists and writers, we talk to everyone, from artists and curators to collectors and gallerists and more — all people whom we continue talking to as art fair directors." [[TAN](#)]

— **Istanbul's Art International Postponed:** The fourth edition of **Art International**, the Istanbul contemporary art fair scheduled for September, has been canceled, with plans to re-launch in 2017. The decision is not only due to recent violence in the city, according to co-founder Sandy Angus. "The fair is on hold until we can put together something all the stakeholders and shareholders can buy into," he explained. [[TAN](#)]

— **New Artist-Run "Super-Pac":** **Carrie Mae Weems**, **Rashid Johnson**, **Xaviera Simmons**, and **Marilyn Minter** are among the artists contributing to a new "Super Pac" founded by artists <http://www.blouinartinfo.com/artists/hank-willis-thomas-1357674><http://www.blouinartinfo.com/artists/5184-hank-willis-thomas>**HANK WILLIS**

[THOMAS](#) and Eric Gottesman. [\[NYT\]](#)

— **The Diminishing Fortunes of British-Based Art Collectors:** According to the **Sunday Times Rich List**, some of Britain's top collectors have slid down the rankings, among them **Lakshmi Mittal**, **Roman Abramovich**, and **Charles Saatchi** and his brother **Maurice**. [\[TAN\]](#)

— **Abdul Aziz Raiba** (also known as AA Raiba), an Indian modernist painter and member of **Bombay Progressive Artists' Group**, died earlier this month in Nala Sopara, a northern suburb of Mumbai. He was 94 years old. [\[AAP\]](#)

— Just 10 years after conserving the famed lion statues of Palmyra, two Polish art restorers return to do the task again. [\[AD\]](#)

— An early tour of the new **San Francisco Museum of Modern Art**. [\[Guardian\]](#)