

CONTEMPORARY ART

The Peninsula Hotels

AN ABIDING DEDICATION TO ART

THE ART COLLECTIONS & EXPERIENCES



The Peninsula Hotels maintains an ongoing commitment to supporting the contemporary arts. Through a myriad of initiatives and partnerships, the company enables access to artworks – by both esteemed and emerging artists – at The Peninsula properties around the world.

Through these programmes, and a range of bespoke experiences offered by each property, The Peninsula Hotels also provides a culturally rich, aesthetically stimulating environment that invites exploration of each hotel's destination.

THE PENINSULA HONG KONG





EXHIBITED ARTWORKS

Highlights of The Peninsula Hong Kong's extensive permanent collection and visiting installations include:

• A large bronze Fu dog sculpture by famed American Pop artist Jim Dine (top), which, according to Chinese tradition, stands guard over the hotel lobby (typically, Fu dogs are displayed in pairs; this one is matched by Dine's preparatory sketch, which hangs on a nearby wall).

ART EXPERIENCES

Guests at The Peninsula Hong Kong can partake in art-themed Peninsula Academy experiences such as:

- Visits to the studios of local artisans – who practice traditional crafts like papiermâché, and the creation of bamboo flowers and shadow puppets.
- Traditional lantern-making workshops (bottom), led by a master artisan, which explore the role of lanterns in Hong Kong's cultural festivals and celebrations.

THE PENINSULA SHANGHAI

EXHIBITED ARTWORKS

The Peninsula Shanghai's collection includes some 278 distinct artworks from internationally known artists. Highlights include:

- Amor de Venus, a towering sculpture and fountain by Spanish artist Adolfo Barnatán (top) that marks the entrance to the hotel.
- Regular visiting exhibits from collaborating artists and partners, including Botero in China (bottom) and US-based Galerie Simard Bilodeau.

ART EXPERIENCES

 Private, guided guest visits to the ground-breaking, independent Shanghai Museum of Contemporary Art (MOCA)

 before or after the museum's public operating hours – through the Peninsula Academy's Art in Focus programme.





THE PENINSULA BEIJING



EXHIBITED ARTWORKS

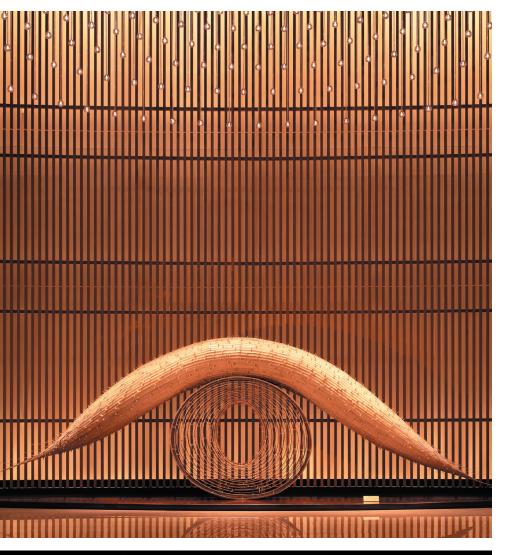
The Peninsula Beijing's abundant collection includes more than 800 paintings, sculptures and works of photography. Highlights include:

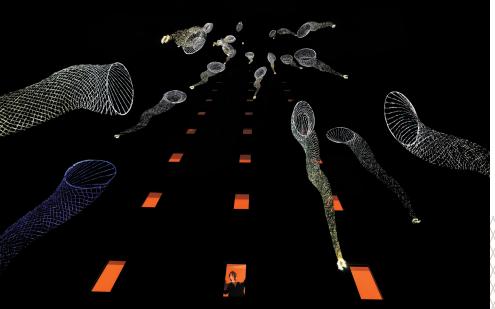
• Two five-metre-high paintings by Xinjiang-born painter Qin Feng depicting the sun and moon (above), which symbolise peace and spirituality in Chinese culture. The paintings intend to bestow good fortune on the hotel, and all who enter it.

ART EXPERIENCES

- The Peninsula Beijing's Artist in Residence programme, created in conjunction with some of the city's premier art museums, provides local artists with studio and living space at the hotel where guests may visit them as they work and a dedicated exhibition gallery on the third floor:
- Private, bespoke tours of exhibition previews, art institutes, and art-themed galas and events through the hotel's Keys to the City programme.

THE PENINSULA TOKYO





EXHIBITED ARTWORKS

The Peninsula Tokyo's art collection includes 1,000 artworks created by 60 different artists, nearly all of whom are Japanese. Highlights include:

- Lying Dragon Gate, a large bamboo sculpture by Keisen Hama that dominates the hotel lobby (top). Its swooping shape depicts a dragon lying protectively atop the universe to ward off evil spirits.
- The Void, a series of 24 glowing, cone-shaped sculptures by Ben Jakober and Yannick Vu (bottom), which hang suspended in the hotel's 70-metre-high atrium.

ART EXPERIENCES

Guests can enjoy art-themed Peninsula Academy experiences such as:

- Visits to the private atelier of washi rice-paper artist Eriko Horiki, whose sculptural works adorn the hotel's spa (as well as Imasa restaurant at The Peninsula Hong Kong).
- Private, guided bespoke tours of the galleries, museums, teahouses, and cafés that house some of Tokyo's most important artworks.

THE PENINSULA NEW YORK



EXHIBITED ARTWORKS

The art displayed at The Peninsula New York reflects a carefully curated selection of works from internationally known artists. Highlights include:

 An ongoing series of rotating, contemporary exhibits created in partnership with Circa 1881, which arranges for artworks from private collections to be displayed.

ART EXPERIENCES

• (*Top*) Private, guided tours of the Museum of Modern Art's world-famous collections – before or after the museum's public operating hours – through the Peninsula Academy programme.

THE PENINSULA CHICAGO

EXHIBITED ARTWORKS

The Peninsula Chicago's varied art collection includes both permanent installations and an array of exciting visiting exhibits. Highlights include:

- Specially commissioned wall art in guest rooms and suites that features chrysanthemums

 Chicago's official flower – by Hong Kong-based artist David Qian (top).
- Visiting installations every autumn in partnership with EXPO Chicago – The International Exposition of Contemporary & Modern Art – which feature works of artists exhibiting at the fair.

ART EXPERIENCES

 Private, guided tours of the Art Institute of Chicago's worldfamous collections through the Peninsula Academy programme.





THE PENINSULA BEVERLY HILLS



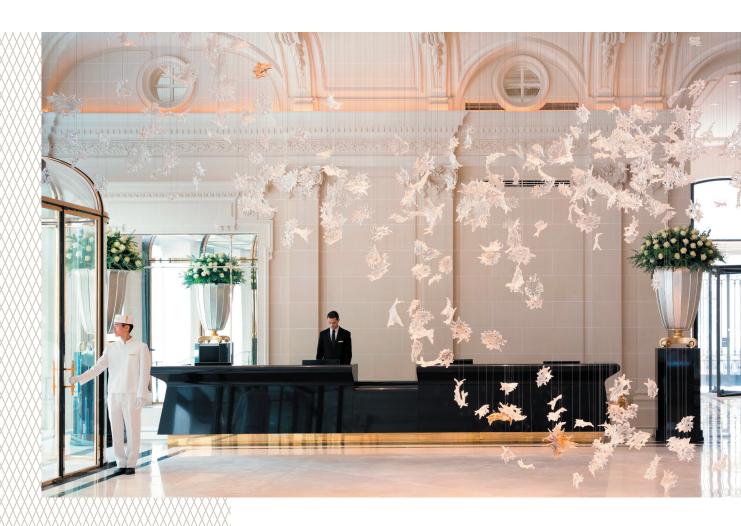
EXHIBITED ARTWORKS

The Peninsula Beverly Hills' art collection comprises almost 500 pieces, including paintings, sculptures and works of photography. Highlights include:

- Dots Obsession (1998), a brightred polka-dot-patterned image by Japanese artist Yayoi Kusama (top) that exemplifies her wildly coloured, psychedelic style. It hangs in The Belvedere.
- Linescape 1 and Linescape 2, a pair of dramatic, multipanelled paintings that frame the entryway to The Belvedere restaurant at the hotel (bottom). The paintings are by contemporary French artist Fabienne Verdier, who spent 10 years studying traditional Chinese painting and calligraphy in China.



THE PENINSULA PARIS



EXHIBITED ARTWORKS

The Peninsula Paris's collection includes 185 distinct works from artists around the world. Highlights include:

• Dancing Leaves, a breath-taking hanging installation suspended inside the hotel's lobby entrance (above) as a modern take on the plane trees lining Avenue Kléber. It comprises 800 individual handblown crystal leaves from the Bohemian glass artisans at Lasvit.

ART EXPERIENCES

- Private, behind-the-scenes tours of the opulent art collections at Versailles, including areas typically closed to the public (such as the former living quarters of King Louis XVI and Marie Antoinette), through the Peninsula Academy programme.
- VIP access to Paris's most important annual art fairs: La Biennale Paris, FIAC (International Contemporary Art Fair) and Paris Photo.

THE PENINSULA BANGKOK

EXHIBITED ARTWORKS

The Peninsula Bangkok's Asian art collection includes works created by 51 celebrated artists, from ten different countries. Highlights include:

• The Door of Thailand, a 3.3-metre-high mixed media work by Chinese contemporary artist Lee Chi Cheung (right), which symbolises the opening of boundaries between China and Thailand – and which hangs in the hotel's Lobby staircase.

ART EXPERIENCES

 Peninsula Academy workshops in the traditional Thai art of paper folding, led by Bangkokand London-based kinetic visual artist Jirayu Koo.



THE PENINSULA MANILA



EXHIBITED ARTWORKS

The Peninsula Manila's collection comprises more than 1,000 works from artists around the world, including select pieces from local artists. Highlights include:

• Sunburst, a dazzling 12-metre copper, bronze, and stainless-steel sculpture that illuminates the lobby ceiling (above), created by Philippine National Artist for Sculpture Napoleon Abueva.

ART EXPERIENCES

- Guest visits to the private studios and galleries of three of Manila's most stylish tastemakers through the Peninsula Academy programme: multimedia artist Albert Avellana; interior designer Eric Paras; and fashion designer Jesus "Jojie" Lloren.
- Prestigious "Well-Appointed Life at the Pen" auctions of fine Philippine art, furniture, jewellery, rare automobiles, and collectibles are hosted annually at the hotel's gallery.