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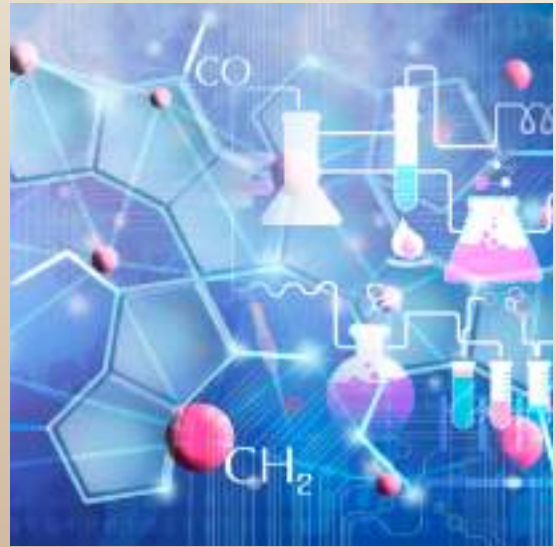
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# ARTS

## Slow Start to New York Auctions

May 14, 2024



The Sotheby's logo.

This month's marquee New York auctions got off to a relatively sluggish start at Sotheby's established and emerging contemporary art sales yesterday, reports Alex Greenberger and Karen K. Ho for ARTnews. With a total of \$267.3 million sold within the pre-sale estimate, the evening saw some buzzy flops, including a hyped Francis Bacon painting, along with moments that felt "like extracting

teeth," per auctioneer Oliver Barker's best quote of the evening.

Read More: <https://www.artnews.com/art-news/news/slow-start-to-new-york-auctions-dutch-royal-academy-of-arts-ties-with-israeli-art-school-filmmaker-smuggled-out-of-iran-and-more-morning-links-for-may-14-2024-1234706737/>

## An Anxious May Auction Season Kicks Off With Tepid Results At Best

May 15, 2024



Alan Aronson/Artforum

One of the most startling things I saw happen during the first two days of art auctions in New York took place before any bids had been made. A few minutes before Sotheby's ultra-contemporary evening sale, "The Now," was set to begin, a cameraman tripped over a stanchion and narrowly avoided putting an entire palm into a large, untitled work by Jean-Michel Basquiat and Andy Warhol. Several staffers were clearly shaken by the near-disaster

involving this collaborative piece from 1984, which carried a low estimate of \$15 million.

Read More: <https://www.artnews.com/art-news/market/may-auction-season-recap-christies-sothebys-phillips-1234706964/>

# SPORTS



## Indian sports wrap, May 13: Ramit Tandon exits Squash World Championships with injury

May 13,2024



India's Ramit Tandon was forced to retire due to an injury in his second-round match against world No 7 Mohamed ElShorbagy at the Squash World Championships in Cairo on Sunday. World No 36 Tandon was trailing 3-4 in the second game when he sustained a calf injury following an inspiring performance in the opening game which former world champion ElShorbagy won 11-8. It was Tandon's first meeting with the former Egyptian-English world No 1.

Read More: <https://sportstar.thehindu.com/other-sports/india-sports-news-results-scores-may-13-schedule-latest-updates-highlights/article68169947.ece/amp/>

## Mahika Khanna sets up ITF Juniors semifinal clash against top seed Laxmisiri

May 16,2024

Mahika Khanna eased past fourth seed Prisha Shinde 6-3, 6-3 to set up a semifinal against top seed Laxmisiri Dandu in the girls section of the ITF Junior tennis tournament at the Vijay Khand tennis arena on Thursday. The other semifinal will be between Aishwarya Jadhav and Jaya Kapoor. In the boys section, top seed Kandhavel Mahalingam outplayed Tavish Pahwa for the loss of two games to set up a semifinal against third seed and champion of the last tournament, Praneel Sharma.



THE PHOTO: Mahika Khanna (left) | Photo Credit: Special Arrangement

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# SCIENCE

## How an audacious sonic survey could help revive damaged rainforest.

May 13, 2024



For the past two months, Delgado, a doctoral researcher at ETH Zurich in Switzerland, and two other teams from Costa Rican universities have bounded across the country recording the soundscapes of its forests. The survey involves positioning microphones at more than 600 sites in every type of forest ecosystem in Costa Rica, making it, by some measures, the largest such “ecoacoustic” survey ever.

Read More: <https://www.newscientist.com/article/mg26234911-300-how-an-audacious-sonic-survey-could-help-revive-damaged-rainforests/>

## The heart plays a hidden role in our mental health

May 16, 2024

Everyone knows that the brain influences the heart. Stressful thoughts can set the heart pounding, sometimes with such deep force that we worry people can hear it. Anxiety can trigger the irregular skittering of atrial fibrillation. In more extreme and rarer cases, emotional turmoil from a shock — the death of a loved one, a cancer diagnosis, an intense argument — can trigger a syndrome that mimics a heart attack.



Read More: <https://www.sciencenews.org/article/heart-brain-mental-health>

# TECHNOLOGY

## Microsoft offers cloud customers AMD alternative to Nvidia AI processors

May 17, 2024

Microsoft said on Thursday it plans to offer its cloud computing customers a platform of AMD artificial intelligence chips that will compete with components made by Nvidia, with details to be given at its Build developer conference next week. It will also launch a preview of new Cobalt 100 custom processors at the conference.



Microsoft's cloud computing will offer access to its own custom AI chips called Maia. (File photo)

Read More: <https://indianexpress.com/article/technology/tech-news-technology/microsoft-offers-cloud-customers-amd-alternative-to-nvidia-ai-processors-9334643/>

## Apple to bring Eye Tracking, Music Haptics and more to iPhone and iPad later this year

May 19, 2024



These features will be available later this year. (Image Source: Apple)

Apple has announced several new AI-powered accessibility features like Eye Tracking and Music Haptics for the iPhone and the iPad sometime later this year. These AI and ML-powered accessibility features, which will most likely be coming with iOS 18 will help users with physical disabilities to easily navigate the user interface. Specially designed for people with physical disabilities and powered by artificial intelligence, Apple says Eye

Tracking will give users an “in-built option for navigating iPad and iPhone with just

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