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London's fourth plinth artwork aims to 'unite trans community around the world'

Wednesday, September 18, 2024

A towering cuboid made of more than 300 masks depicting the faces of transgender and non-binary people, this year's fourth plinth artwork, has been described as a piece designed to "unite the trans community around the world".

The Mexican artist Teresa Margolles was flanked by members of her country's trans community as *Mil Veces un Instante* (A Thousand Times in an Instant) was unwrapped in Trafalgar Square on Wednesday.



<https://www.theguardian.com/artanddesign/2024/sep/18/londons-fourth-plinth-artwork-unite-trans-community-around-worldt>

From back to school necessity to relaxing hobby: How India began embracing stationery

Wednesday, September 18, 2024

As I walked into the enclosure hosting Delhi's 24th Stationery Fair on a rainy Sunday afternoon, I was transported to a world of colourful chaos. The place was packed with people exploring a world of arts and crafts under bright fluorescent lights. Artists eyed blank canvases, excited children thumbed through spiral-bound notebooks, and parents haggled over back-to-school supplies—all familiar sights at a stationery fair.



<https://indianexpress.com/article/lifestyle/art-and-culture/how-india-began-embracing-stationery-9551244/>

SPORTS

ISL: Chhetri scores brace for Bengaluru

Thursday, September 19, 2024

Bengaluru FC made it two wins in two in the ISL this season after a 3-0 win over Hyderabad FC at the Kanteerava Stadium on Thursday night, thanks to an early header from Rahul Bheke and a late Sunil Chhetri brace. It was a hard-fought result for Bengaluru against a Hyderabad side that started with 11 Indians, who all gave good accounts of themselves.



https://www.espn.in/espn/story/_/id/41314889/indian-sports-live-september-19-2024-schedule-news-updates-scores-results-commentary

F1 legend Mika Hakkinen opens karting track in Chennai

Thursday, September 19, 2024

Double Formula 1 World Champion Mika Hakkinen on Thursday inaugurated the state-of-the-art Madras International Karting Arena (M.I.K.A.) here on Thursday. The ceremony was attended by India's two former F1 drivers, Narain Karthikeyan and Karun Chandhok. At an emotionally charged function, Hakkinen, the F1 champion in 1998 and 1999, and popularly known as the "Flying Finn", provided an insight into the mind and making of a World Champion.

https://www.espn.in/espn/story/_/id/41220743/indian-sports-live-september-12-2024-schedule-news-updates-scores-results-commentary

SCIENCE

Earth May Once Have Had A Ring Like Saturn

Friday, September 20, 2024

Hundreds of millions of years ago, Earth may have looked quite different when viewed from space: Scientists propose it may have had a Saturn-like ring, made up of lots of smaller asteroids. The new paper, published in Earth and Planetary Science Letters, proposes that this ring formed around 466 million years ago. A major source of evidence is a band of impact craters near the equator.



<https://www.sciencefriday.com/segments/earth-ring-like-saturn/>

These Artists Serve Up Environmental Crises Through Food

Saturday, September 21, 2024



Zack Denfeld wants to give you a taste of the future, and he's doing it with pollution-filled cookies and barbecue sauce made with ingredients from radiation-bred crops. Denfeld and artist Cathrine Kramer are co-founders of the Center for Genomic Gastronomy, an artist think tank started in 2010 that envisions the futures of food—biodiversity loss, lab-grown innovations, ethical controversies, and all.

Based in Amsterdam and Portugal, the group collaborates with scientists, farmers, hackers, and chefs on edible creations that showcase how future food systems might work and what they might taste like.

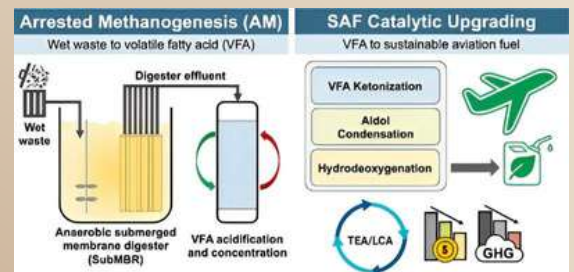
<https://www.sciencefriday.com/articles/artists-chefs-climate-ecological-crises-food-flavor/>

TECHNOLOGY

New technology converts wastewater to sustainable aviation fuel with potential 70% reduction in emissions

Saturday, September 21, 2024

Vehicle electrification is an important pathway to reducing global greenhouse gas emissions. The supply chain for electric vehicle battery materials relies heavily on China, a dependency that can leave the US vulnerable to supply chain disruptions and geopolitical shifts. The Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) offers meaningful incentives for building batteries in the US and diversifying the supply chain, but some loopholes exist.



<https://techxplore.com/news/2024-10-technology-wastewater-sustainable-aviation-fuel.html>

Organic compound boosts solar cell stretchability without sacrificing power

Sunday, September 22, 2024

A solar cell developed by RIKEN physicists can be stretched without greatly affecting its ability to convert light into electricity. It is thus promising for powering the next generation of wearable electronics.

Today's smart watches can monitor an impressive array of health metrics, while more-specialist wearable devices are being developed for specific medical applications. But such devices need to be recharged periodically.



<https://techxplore.com/news/2024-10-compound-boosts-solar-cell-stretchability.html>