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“Surrealism” at Centre Pompidou, Paris

Monday, November 4, 2024

A year of **celebrations for Surrealism**, the avant-garde movement launched a century ago, reaches its apex with this blockbuster, which aspires to be just as perplexing as much of the art associated with the movement. In lieu of the traditional exhibition format, this one will be shaped like a maze, with André Breton’s 1924 Surrealist manifesto at its core. Surrounding it will be 14 sections that chart how Surrealists of all kinds interpreted literary texts and symbols. Agreed-upon masterpieces abound—Salvador Dalí’s *The Great Masturbator* (1929) and René Magritte’s *Personal Values* (1952) have made their way from Madrid and San Francisco, respectively, for the show. Yet the exhibition, in keeping with other recent surveys that have globalized Surrealism, also seeks to lure in some lesser-known figures, from the British nonpareil Ithell Colquhoun to the Japanese draughtsman Tatsuo Ikeda.



<https://www.artnews.com/list/art-news/news/fall-2024-must-see-museum-exhibitions-biennials-1234715497/connecting-bodies-asian-women-artists-at-national-museum-of-modern-and-contemporary-art-seoul/>

“Anicka Yi: There Exists Another Evolution, But This One” at Leeum Museum of Art, Seoul

Tuesday, November 5, 2024

In recent years, Seoul’s top modern art museum, known as the MMCA for short, has made a concerted effort to acquire more works by Asian women artists. The results of that project form the basis of this show, a wide-ranging survey that stakes a claim for the importance of these artists, many of whom are still awaiting greater recognition outside Asia. Among those artists is Hong Lee Hyun-sook, a giant of feminist art in South Korea, where she is known for artworks that emphasize collaboration and solidarity with animals as a means of liberation.



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Karnataka advances to quarterfinals in hockey national championships

Wednesday, November 5, 2024

Karnataka has set its sight on winning the gold this time. Its two matches in the senior national men's hockey championships are an indication that it's on the right track. In scripting a 5-1 win over Chandigarh, with a brace from Mohammed Raheel Mouseen, here on Tuesday, Karnataka booked its place in the knockouts (quarterfinals). In the last match of the day, Tamil Nadu (TN) staged a remarkable recovery from 0-2 down and secured a 2-2 draw against Madhya Pradesh (MP). TN will play its final group match against Andaman & Nicobar on November 7. On the other hand, MP will play its final match against Andhra Pradesh on Thursday. With one win and a draw each, both TN and MP have a chance to make the quarterfinals.



<https://sportstar.thehindu.com/other-sports/indian-sports-november-5-roundup-wrap-score-results-highlights-news/article68832448.ece>

Indian players win 14 medals including five gold in Asia Pickleball Games

Wednesday, November 5, 2024

Indian players won a total of 14 medals comprising five gold, four silver and five bronze in the Asia Pickleball Games held in Taiwan recently.

Nitten Kirttane captured gold medal in the 50+ open men's singles while Vishal Jadhav secured silver in the 35+ open men's singles.

Khushi Sachdeva and Shraddha Damani each won silver in the 19+ and 35+ women's singles in the 4.0 category, respectively, while Sandeep Tawde added another silver in the 50+ men's singles in the 4.0 category.

In doubles, Kirttane and Tawde triumphed to claim the gold in the 50+ Open Men's Doubles, adding to Vanshik Kapadia and Tejas Mahajan's gold in the 19+ open men's doubles.

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SCIENCE

Here's how long it would take 100 worms to eat the plastic in one face mask

Thursday, November 6, 2024

Insects rank high among humankind's go-to creatures for strangeness: Think movie monster inspirations or extreme biophysics). So of course scientists have already started testing insect willingness and ability to eat, of all things, plastic.

A new experiment sprinkles a dose of reality on just how effective this strategy might be in preventing the planet from drowning in plastics. It would take 100 mealworms 138 days, or about 4.5 months, to eat just one disposable COVID-era face mask, ecologist Michelle Tseng and colleagues calculate December 4 in *Biology Letters*.

<https://www.sciencenews.org/article/worms-eating-plastic>

Study flags threat to frogs from agroforestry

Thursday, November 7, 2024

Agroforestry practices may be harmful to some species of endemic frogs while a few are less affected by modified habitats, a new study by researchers from the Mysuru-based Nature Conservation Foundation (NCF-India) and the Bombay Environmental Action Group (BEAG) said.

The findings by Vijayan Jithin and Rohit Naniwadekar of the NCF and Manali Rane and Aparna Watve of the BEAG were published in *Ecological Applications*, a journal of the Ecological Society of America.

<https://phys.org/news/2024-12-analysis-ground-motions-reveals-seismic.html>

TECHNOLOGY

Google Cloud partners with Air France-KLM on AI technology

Friday, November 8, 2024

Google Cloud said in a statement that the Franco-Dutch airline group's 551 operating aircraft, 93 million passengers carried in 2023, and its commercial and cargo flights generated large amounts of data, which would be used by Google Cloud's AI solution in areas such as analyzing passenger preferences and travel patterns, and predicting maintenance of aircraft.



<https://www.reuters.com/technology/artificial-intelligence/google-cloud-partners-with-air-france-klm-ai-technology-2024-12-04/>

Sizzling valuations are no bar for Asia data centre deals as AI growth beckons

Saturday, November 9, 2024

Global investors are queueing up to invest in data centre operators in Asia Pacific either by buying stakes directly or via public offerings, unfazed by their rich valuations that are driven by demand for artificial intelligence-based services.

Many industry executives say the regional data centres will continue to command high valuations due to the nascent nature of the industry and its growth outlook. Some, though, say a lack of robust infrastructure could cast a cloud on their outlook.



<https://www.reuters.com/markets/asia/sizzling-valuations-are-no-bar-asia-data-centre-deals-ai-growth-beckons-2024-12-04/>