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## "The Armory Show At 100: Modern Art And Revolution" On View At The New-York Historical Society



The New-York Historical Society will present a major exhibition celebrating the centennial of the legendary 1913 Armory Show, offering a rare opportunity to experience the reunion of more than 100 masterpieces from the iconic event. On view from Friday, Oct. 11, through Sunday, Feb. 23, 2014, "The Armory Show at 100: Modern Art and Revolution" will feature works by European modernists, including Marcel Duchamp, Henri Matisse, Francis Picabia, Constantin Brancusi, and Pablo Picasso; influential precursors to modernism, such as Paul Cézanne, Paul Gauguin, and Vincent van Gogh; and leading American artists Childe Hassam, Robert Henri, John Marin, Albert Pinkham Ryder, John Sloan, and others who are often overlooked in accounts of the event, despite the fact that nearly half the works featured in the exhibition were by American artists. Officially known as the 1913 International Exhibition of Modern Art, the Armory Show is one of the most important exhibitions ever held in the United States and is remembered as a turning point in American art history, introducing the European avant-garde to America.

"The Armory Show at 100" will contextualize the event with artifacts, historical documents, and archival photographs to evoke the social and intellectual currents of this time period. Major events of the era include the inauguration of Woodrow Wilson as president in 1913, women marching for suffrage, the re-opening of Grand Central Terminal as the world's largest train station, and the Woolworth Building becoming the world's tallest skyscraper. The behind-the-scenes story of the making of the 1913 Armory Show will also be told through a

selection of letters, postcards, and photographs that document the dissent and divisions that the exhibition inspired in the New York art world.

A scholarly publication will be produced in conjunction with the exhibition - the first major, in-depth survey in 50 years to study the significance, impact, and legacy of the 1913 Armory Show. A special Armory Show website, [www.armory.nyhistory.org](http://www.armory.nyhistory.org), features blog posts on curatorial discoveries and research, the layout of the 1913 Armory Show, and other interactive features.

"New York will explode into the modern world all over again when 'The Armory Show at 100' opens this fall at the New-York Historical Society. Our galleries will be filled with masterworks and materials documenting the full impact that modernism delivered in 1913 - the debates, discussions, and cultural shocks that made this show a 'bombshell,'" said Louise Mirrer, President and CEO of New-York Historical Society.

To learn more about the exhibition and accompanying programs, visit [www.nyhistory.org](http://www.nyhistory.org).

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