

## THE CITY OF NEW YORK OFFICE OF THE MAYOR NEW YORK, NY 10007

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## Dear Friends:

I am delighted to welcome everyone to the 40<sup>th</sup> Annual Artexpo New York at Pier 94.

As a dynamic hub of culture and commerce, New York is proud to host top international artists, dealers, collectors, gallery owners, and enthusiasts of all backgrounds for the world's largest fine arts trade show and marketplace. Featuring seminars and discussions with industry leaders and more than 400 exhibitors offering a wide array of original paintings, drawings, sculpture, photography, lithographs, ceramics, and works in other mediums, Artexpo is a wonderful opportunity for attendees to network, discover new talent, and learn more about the trends and innovations that are shaping the global arts sector. This exciting four-day event also includes its [SOLO] and [FOTO SOLO] companion shows to highlight the creations of independent artists and photographers. As you celebrate its milestone anniversary, I applaud everyone associated with this outstanding annual expo that engages our diverse residents, strengthens our vibrant artistic community, and enriches the cultural landscape of the five boroughs.

On behalf of all New Yorkers, congratulations on forty excellent years. Please accept my best wishes for a productive and inspiring show and an enjoyable stay for all those visiting our city for this terrific exhibition.

Sincerely,

Bill de Blasio

Mayor