



And now for something completely different...

Our spies tell us that a Monty Python show was planned for the Victoria and Albert Museum in London. The homage to the surreal 1970s BBC television show failed to get off the ground, but always look on the bright side of life—at least visitors won't be confronted with dead parrots any time soon.

Imagine that: another arty Ono

Yoko Ono is a household name, but who knew that John Lennon's widow has an arty sister, too? Tokyo-born Setsuko Ono is showing sculptures and paintings at two venues in London: the Daiwa Anglo-Japanese Foundation (16 February–9 March) and Asia House (13–23 March). Her sculptures are created from welded sheets of steel, which she 'cut out and bent to reveal silhouettes and open spaces, much like Matisse's cut-outs', the organisers say. Lennon saw her work and encouraged her to pursue her deep passion for art, and after working for the World Bank for 28 years, Setsuko finally took up art full-time, staging her first show at the Havana Biennial in 2003.



Leppo (2016) by Setsuko Ono, sister of fellow artist Yoko

THE GLITTERING PRIZES

WINNERS

The 2018 New Year's Honours list included the land artist **Richard Long**, who was knighted, and **Jane Hamlyn**, the director of Frith Street Gallery, who received a CBE (Commander of the Order of the British Empire). **Fiona Bradley**, the director of Edinburgh's Fruitmarket Gallery, and the London-based gallerist **Victoria Miro** were awarded OBEs (Officer of the Order of the British Empire).

The UK painter (and frequent contributor to The Art Newspaper) **Alexander Adams** has secured the **2018 Artist Scholarship** from the Francis Bacon M.B. Art Foundation.

The **Morgan Library & Museum** in New York has been awarded \$5m by the **Sherman Fairchild Foundation** to endow a leadership role in its conservation department and to restore its Charles McKim-designed 1906 building.

Oprah Winfrey is due to receive the **David Rockefeller Award** from the Museum of Modern Art in New York on 6 March.

Adrian Cheng, the founder of the K11 Art Foundation, was awarded the **Officier de l'Ordre des Arts et des Lettres** for contributing significantly to French culture.

The artist **Nevin Aladag** has won the **Ernst Rietschel Art Prize for Sculpture**. She receives €15,000 and will have an exhibition at the Albertinum museum in Dresden.

Sarah Mendelsohn is the winner of the inaugural sound-artist residency at the **Blanton Museum of Art** in Austin, Texas.

Mexico's **Parallel Oaxaca** and Poland's **Stereo** have been awarded the **New Art Dealers Alliance (Nada) International Gallery Prize**. The galleries will have sponsored stands at Nada's 2018 edition, which is due to open on 8 March in New York.



Prizewinner Cathleen Chaffee

Cathleen Chaffee, the chief curator at the Albright-Knox Art Gallery in Buffalo, New York, is the recipient of the **Via Art Fund's 2018 Curatorial Fellowship**. She receives €15,000.

The **European Fine Art Fair (Tefaf's Museum Restoration Fund)** has awarded €50,000 to fund conservation projects at the **Museu Nacional de Arte Antiga** in Portugal and the **Museum of Fine Arts, Boston**.

SHORTLIST

Ai Weiwei, **Andy Goldsworthy**, **Chakaia Booker**, **Antony Gormley**, **Jorge Pardo**, **Hiroshi Sugimoto** and **Pae White** have been shortlisted to create public art projects for the \$50m redevelopment of Treasure Island in San Francisco. The city's arts commission will select up to three proposals.

NEW AWARDS

The David Rockefeller Fund is to devote \$50,000 to the **David Rockefeller BCA Partnership Award**, which honours commercial businesses involved in the arts.

The estate of Ellsworth Kelly has endowed the **C.D. Wright Award for Poetry** and Cy Twombly's estate has launched the **Cy Twombly Award for Poetry**. The new **Roy Lichtenstein Award** is open to poets, too. **James H. Miller**