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## Modern Luxury celebrates power of art in December issue

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Artist Mister E sitting in his studio in front of a 1984 Cadillac Coupe DeVille surrounded by various iterations of his "Bennies" and "100" sculptures. Image credit: Ocean Drive

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Media company **Modern Luxury** has released its 19th annual December art issue, featuring a collection of new work by some of the industry's most renowned artists.

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Celebrating the power of art, Modern Luxury tells stories of local and national artists who are leading the discourse surrounding current cultural conversations. Some of the artists spotlighted in the December issue include George Condo, Daniel Arsham, Otani Workshop and Mister E.

"As we close out what has been a truly metaphoric year, it is hard not to get a bit emotional and think about how tragedy can transform," said Phebe Wahl, SVP of editorial at Modern Luxury, in a statement. "I can't think of a better issue than the Art Issue to celebrate our newfound clarity and steely resilience as we look to the year ahead."

### Art Issue

The Art Issue editions *Ocean Drive*, *Manhattan*, *Miami*, *San Francisco* and *Modern Luxury Dallas* begin with exclusive cover art from Mister E, George Condo, Daniel Arsham, Otani Workshop, Nick Cave and more. Through each profile, Ms. Wahl discusses the inspiration behind the artists' work and how they were able to create during the pandemic.

Readers can also find profiles of other local art industry leaders, from curators to artists to patrons in feature, "Virtual Reality." This multi-page editorial spread features conversations with artists such as Kara Walker, Nick Cave, Yoyoi Kusama and James Turrell and how they are shaping the conversation around art and culture.



*Shigeru Otani, the artist behind Otani Workshop. Image credit: Manhattan magazine*

After a year of uncertainty and hardship, the December art issue showcases the power art has to restore and bring hope to others. Throughout the month of December, Modern Luxury will be unveiling five covers featuring new works of art across 19 brands.

In July, the media company held a virtual auction of the cover art for its Hope Issue to support COVID-19 relief. Titled "Hold On To Hope," the piece from artist Thierry Guetta also known as Mr. Brainwash fuses pop imagery with cultural iconography by featuring a balloon that signified love and hope ([see story](#)).

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