

## INTERNATIONAL ART FAIR BADEN – summer retreat art

### **Art Baden – Internationale Kunstmesse**

24.–26. Juli 2026

Casino Baden

Kaiser-Franz-Ring 1

AT - 2500 Baden bei Wien

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Summer retreat art fair at the **air-conditioned Casino Baden**, the historic spa house.

**art.baden** combines contemporary art with historic architecture and positions itself as an international summer art fair—intentionally outside the traditional art fair calendar.

### **Call for Applications**

We are pleased to announce the open call for exhibitors for **Art Baden – International Art Fair 2026**, taking place from **24 to 26 July 2026** at the Casino Baden.

#### **1. Open Call to Exhibit**

##### **Application open to all galleries**

Galleries and artists are invited to apply to exhibit their work at this international art fair.

### Key Facts

- **All artistic and multimedia techniques permitted**
- **Application Deadline:** 15 APR 2026
- **Early Bird rates:** until 28 FEB 2026  
Enjoy 30% off exhibition fees for applications submitted by 28 February 2026.
- **Registration encouraged now**
- **Application Form**  
Please complete the application form to submit your entry.

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### VIP Art Collector Experience

For information about our exclusive VIP art collector program, please contact: [fair@artbaden.at](mailto:fair@artbaden.at)

We look forward to welcoming outstanding contemporary art to Baden in 2026.

### For the first time, Baden near Vienna will host an international art fair.

Especially in times of transformation within the art market—when different fairs come and go—it is crucial to create genuine added value: not only *for* the city of Baden, but above all *through* the city of Baden. With its wide range of cultural satellite venues and its appeal beyond the region, Baden offers ideal conditions for art, artists, and galleries in the greater Vienna area and beyond.

Holding an art fair in summer may seem unusual—yet one week after the opening of the Salzburg Festival, this timing proves ideal, particularly for an international audience. The venue is a building that meets the highest standards not only in terms of climate control, but any sort of comfort. The entire infrastructure of the casino is fully available—from cloakroom and café bar to ATM and restaurants.

With great pleasure, we hereby provide you with the registration documents for **KUNSTMESSE BADEN – art.baden**, our new international art fair.

A particular highlight is the grand ballroom of the historic Kurhaus, complemented by the adjoining salons and modern halls. Whether approaching from the spa park or entering through the magnificent entrance on Kaiser-Franz-Ring, the building immerses visitors in the atmosphere of the imperial era—making it all the more surprising how the interior impresses with modern functionality and contemporary architecture.

### Baden in Art

Baden has long been known as a summer retreat and imperial spa town, shaped by sulfuric thermal springs already used by the Romans. With **art.baden**, the city's transformation from a historic spa destination into a cultural city of supra-regional importance is being consistently advanced.

The unique backdrop of Biedermeier, imperial-era, and Gründerzeit architecture meets internationally renowned institutions such as the **Arnulf Rainer Museum**, the **Beethoven House**, and the **Kunstverein Baden**, active for over 110 years. This connection between history and a contemporary understanding of art forms the foundation of **art.baden**.

Thanks to its excellent connection to Vienna—just 20 minutes by the Southern Railway—Baden offers far more than the historic Kurhaus as a fair location. The City of Baden actively supports art.baden, providing not only venues but also the expertise of its **departments for museums, culture, and tourism**.

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With two museums dedicated to the great figures **Arnulf Rainer** and **Ludwig van Beethoven**, as well as the **municipal theatre** and the **Sommerarena** as stages of supra-regional significance, Baden near Vienna is predestined to host an international art fair. The visual arts ideally complement the city's vibrant music and theatre scene.

In a city that itself impresses as a living exhibition, numerous *points of interest* are within walking distance and immediately accessible—just as are several kilometres of **photo festival** routes through the Biedermeier city centre and the **historic gardens** Doblhoffpark, Rosarium and Kurpark spa gardens.

Around **40 selected galleries from Austria and abroad** will present their artists. The focus is on **contemporary art in curated gallery presentations**, while appropriate space is also given to **modern art** and the **art trade**.

**Artist statements** provide insight into current and recent trends in the visual arts. A forward-looking **talk on the art market** complements the program thematically. **Saturday** evening is dedicated entirely to **art.night**, during which numerous institutions throughout Baden participate and offer extended opening hours.

**art.baden** will be established as an important hub and platform for lively exchange between **artists, galleries, collectors, and visitors from the international art scene**.

Do not hesitate to register now.

Should you have any further questions, please feel free to contact me at any time:  
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## Statement

**“There is no art fair in July – people are on holiday.”**

Exactly. And that is why **art.baden** takes place in **Baden**.

There has never been an international art fair in Baden, Austria – although the conditions have always been ideal. The historic **Casino Baden**, located in the former imperial Kurhaus, offers a unique and prestigious setting: a **fully air-conditioned grand casino**, combining architectural splendour with state-of-the-art infrastructure.

**art.baden** is conceived as a **summer retreat for art** – addressing **international galleries, collectors and art professionals** who appreciate a slower, more concentrated art fair experience. Late opening hours create a refined **late-night art experience**, embedded in the cultural and social life of the city.

The fair focuses on **contemporary art presented in gallery-led exhibitions**. At the same time – true to Baden’s historical identity as an imperial residence – dedicated sections will also highlight **Modern Art, Fine Art and established art dealers**.

Art Deco and Modernist movements were once radical and contemporary in their own time. **art.baden** embraces this historical perspective, following the Viennese Secession’s credo:

**“Der Zeit ihre Kunst. Der Kunst ihre Freiheit!”**

*(To every age its art. To art its freedom.)*

Alongside gallery presentations, **curated artist statements** will offer insight into current artistic tendencies and discourse.