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New York Art Week: The Armory Show and Photofairs

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Caleb Hahne Quintana in Anat Ebgi's booth at The Armory Show.

With the summer flying by, the fall art season is already around the corner and New York is abuzz with art fairs, exhibitions, and events. As the cornerstone of the fall fairs, The Armory Show has returned to the Javits Center, bringing with it over 225 top galleries from around the world exhibiting the best and most promising artists. This year, the seasoned fair is sharing the sprawling convention center with PHOTOFAIRS, which is staging its inaugural New York edition. Thursday, the two events opened to press and VIPs who came in droves to shop, gossip, and see the art industry's latest offerings.

Greeting visitors to The Armory Show is a stunning painting by Caleb Hahne Quintana in Anat Ebgi's booth. Featuring a boxer who has just been knocked out, the work is in a long, horizontal format that pulls the viewer in and places the athlete's prostrate body at eye height. A testament to the artist's skill, the boxer's skin seems to glow red from within as if his blood is still pumping from the fight. Though he presumably lost the match, he appears far from defeated. Rather, the boxer represents evidence of the years of training that earned him a place in the ring.

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