

THREE PHILANTHROPIC ART COLLABS YOU CAN SHOP THIS PRIDE MONTH

These initiatives benefit LGBTQ+ artists while helping you kick-start one hell of a gallery wall.

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Pride Month can bring with it a lot of noise for those of us in the queer community, with brands hopping on the LGBTQ+ bandwagon for a few weeks and then calling it quits. That's why we at ELLE DECOR were excited to find a number of companies partnering with charities and nonprofits this year to curate special collections of LGBTQ+ art, with proceeds directly funding the creators and

making space for future generations of talent. Whether you're familiar with the names below or just hoping to find some inspiration for your next gallery wall, these are the best places to start your search for affordable art right now.

TRNK x Leslie-Lohman Museum of Art



Kin, 2017 by Mengwen Cao, available as part of TRNK's CHOSEN exhibition in partnership with the Leslie-Lohman Museum of Art.

Mengwen Cao

Design studio [TRNK](#) has joined forces with New York's [Leslie-Lohman Museum of Art](#) (the only dedicated LGBTQ+ art museum in the world) to further its curatorial art program with [CHOSEN](#), an

exhibition of photographs that explore the queering of kinship and familial bonds. The exhibition is on display at the museum, at 26 Wooster Street, and online through August 1, with photographs available for purchase from \$150. Twenty-five percent of the proceeds will go to the museum, while another quarter will directly benefit the artists (who will also be feted IRL this year by TRNK founder Tariq Dixon alongside the actor Zachary Quinto and activist Raquel Willis with a dinner and after-party at The Standard, East Village).

1stDibs x Queer|Art



Mickalene Thomas's *Hot! Wild! Unrestricted!* "takes a page from art history's white male representation of the female reclining nude," according to Queer|Art president Nelson Santos, "and twists it into a celebration of Black female identity and sexuality."

Mickalene Thomas

Continuing its series of charitable art initiatives, the luxury marketplace [1stDibs](#) has partnered with the nonprofit

organization [Queer|Art](#) on [Queer Storytellers](#), an intergenerational collection of works from iconic queer and trans artists including Mickalene Thomas, Andy Warhol, Zanele Muholi, and Catherine Opie. A portion of the proceeds from all sales during the month of June will directly benefit Queer|Art, which will use the funds to expand its professional development opportunities for emerging artists.

Art for Change x The Rainbow Umbrella Program



Anthony Cudahy's *Lean Mirrored (with Redon Flowers)*.

Anthony Cudahy

New York–based [Art for Change](#), founded in 2018 by collector Jeanne Masel as a way to offer “fine art for the socially conscious,” has partnered this Pride Month with the [Rainbow Umbrella Program](#), a California-based initiative that provides peer-based support for LGBTQ+ and ally youth. Limited-edition archival prints from a group of specially selected artists including Brian Calvin, Anthony Cudahy, and María Fragoso will be available starting at \$375 and released on the site on a rolling basis every Tuesday throughout June and July, with 20 percent of the net proceeds directly benefiting the Rainbow Umbrella Program.

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