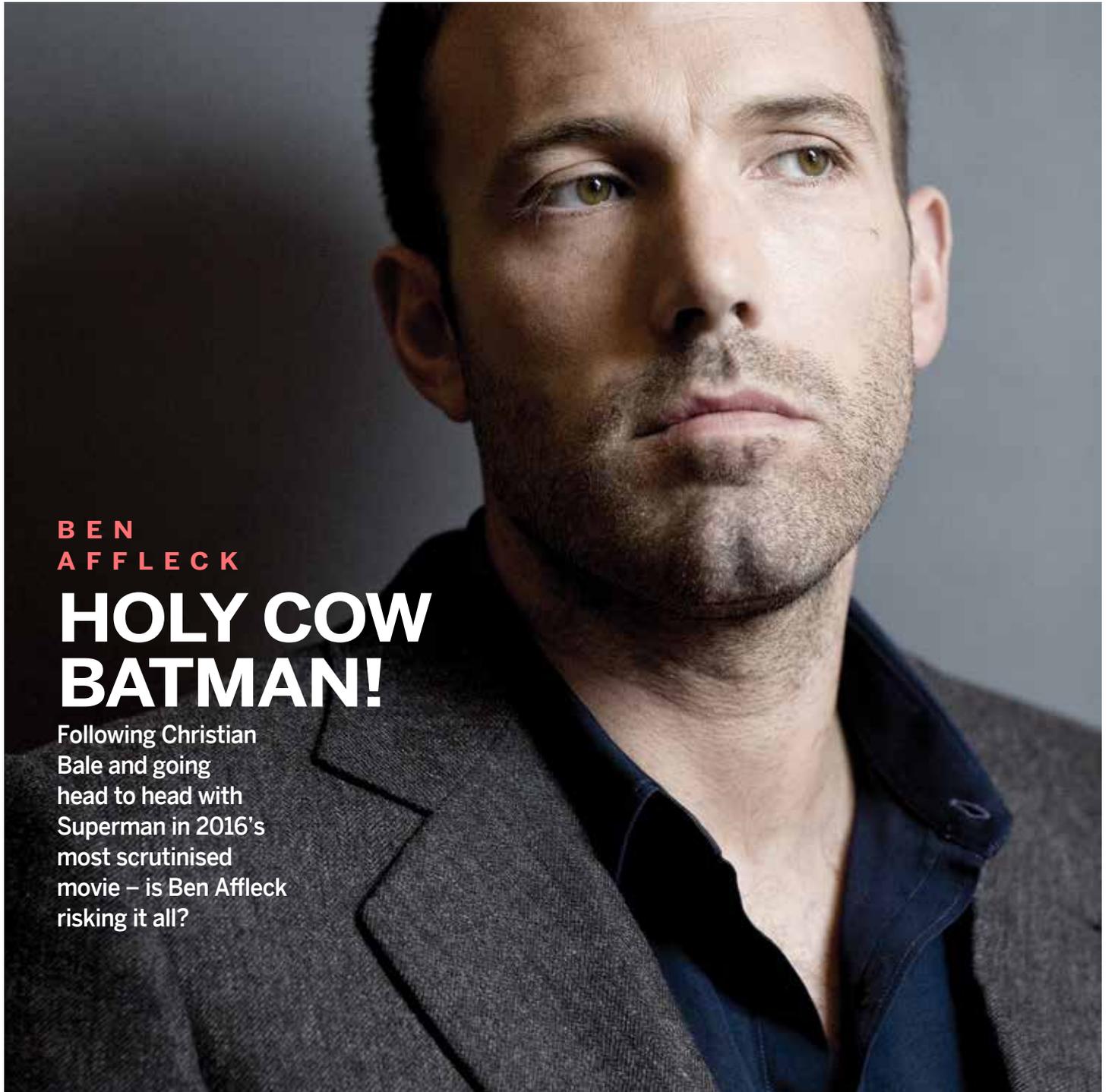


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**BEN  
AFFLECK**

## HOLY COW BATMAN!

Following Christian Bale and going head to head with Superman in 2016's most scrutinised movie – is Ben Affleck risking it all?



March 2016  
Bahrain 3 BHD - Jordan 5.80 JOD - KSA 30 SAR -  
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[THE TOURNAMENT]

# Smash and grab

Strap yourself in for some fast and furious cricket at the World Twenty20 in India



[THE PAINTER]

## Set sail

Hungarian artist Teréz Szilvia Huszár shows her latest work at The Z Gallery inside the Four Points by Sheraton Hotel on Sheikh Zayed Road. The paintings in her collection *Phantom Voyage* express the ideas of escape, freeing the mind, breaking free and sailing away.

Until April 30  
[fourpoints.com](http://fourpoints.com)



**F**ive tournaments and five different winners so far: surely this will be the year when a nation finally takes home a *second* World Twenty20 crown?

India are favourites to go all the way, not only because of their talented squad but also because they're on home soil. Sachin Tendulkar says, "I think the team is well balanced with senior members and youngsters. As a package they have performed really well." West Indies great Brian Lara

agrees. "Their players know the pitches and they're playing good cricket against the best teams in the world at the moment in that version of the game," he said.

India, Pakistan, England, West Indies and Sri Lanka are all past winners of the tournament, which culminates this year at Eden Gardens in Kolkata on April 3. Former India skipper Sunil Gavaskar says batsman Virat Kohli (above) could be the man that inspires India to victory and described Kohli's skills as "from

a different planet." Gavaskar added, "He is making it look so simple. The beauty about his batting is the top hand, when needed to play shots on the on side and the same delivery, same line, same length the bottom hand comes into play and he whips it to mid-wicket. How does any bowler stop a man in such tremendous touch?" That's what the opposing teams will have to figure out.

March 8-April 3  
[icc-cricket.com/world-t20](http://icc-cricket.com/world-t20)

**Live cricket in the UAE**  
 Lancashire Lightning, MCC, Yorkshire Vikings and the UAE will contest the Emirates Airline Twenty20 tournament on March 18. The action at the Sevens Stadium starts at 10am.  
[emiratest20.com](http://emiratest20.com)

[THE CHEF]

# Five minutes with chef Tom Aikens

The youngest British chef to be awarded two Michelin stars, appears at Taste Of Dubai this month, part of Dubai Food Festival

**What makes a good quick meal?**

Fish is always good. If you're not confident with pan frying, bung it in the oven for five minutes and serve it with veg.

**What's your culinary guilty pleasure?**

Vanilla ice cream.

**What foods do you dislike?**

I don't like the taste and texture of smoked fish. I'm not keen on caviar either.

**What do you do when you're not in the kitchen?**

I do a lot of running, cycling and gym work and train every



day so I can eat as much ice cream as I like.

**Who cooks at home?**

I do. My daughter likes baking gingerbread men. Although I think she enjoys the eating

more than the baking.

**What would be your last meal on earth?**

A juicy rib-eye steak cooked medium rare with homemade bearnaise sauce and home-

made cut chips. Heaven.

**March 10-12**  
[tasteofdubai festival.com](http://tasteofdubai festival.com)  
**Tom Aikens is head chef at Pots, Pans & Boards in JBR in Dubai.**



[THE RACE]

## Giddy up

Frosted is the horse generating the most chatter ahead of the \$10m Dubai World Cup at Meydan Racecourse. Godolphin's William Buick is on board, aiming for back to back World Cup wins after a glorious ride on Prince Bishop in 2015.

**March 26**  
[dubaiworldcup.com](http://dubaiworldcup.com)



[THE CAR]

## Vintage wheels

The pristine pavements of Mohammed Bin Rashid Boulevard will be lined with beautiful old cars – and perhaps one or two puddles of drool from motoring lovers – at the Emirates Classic Car Festival this month. Trucks, motorcycles and cars dating from before 1986 await your adoring eyes.

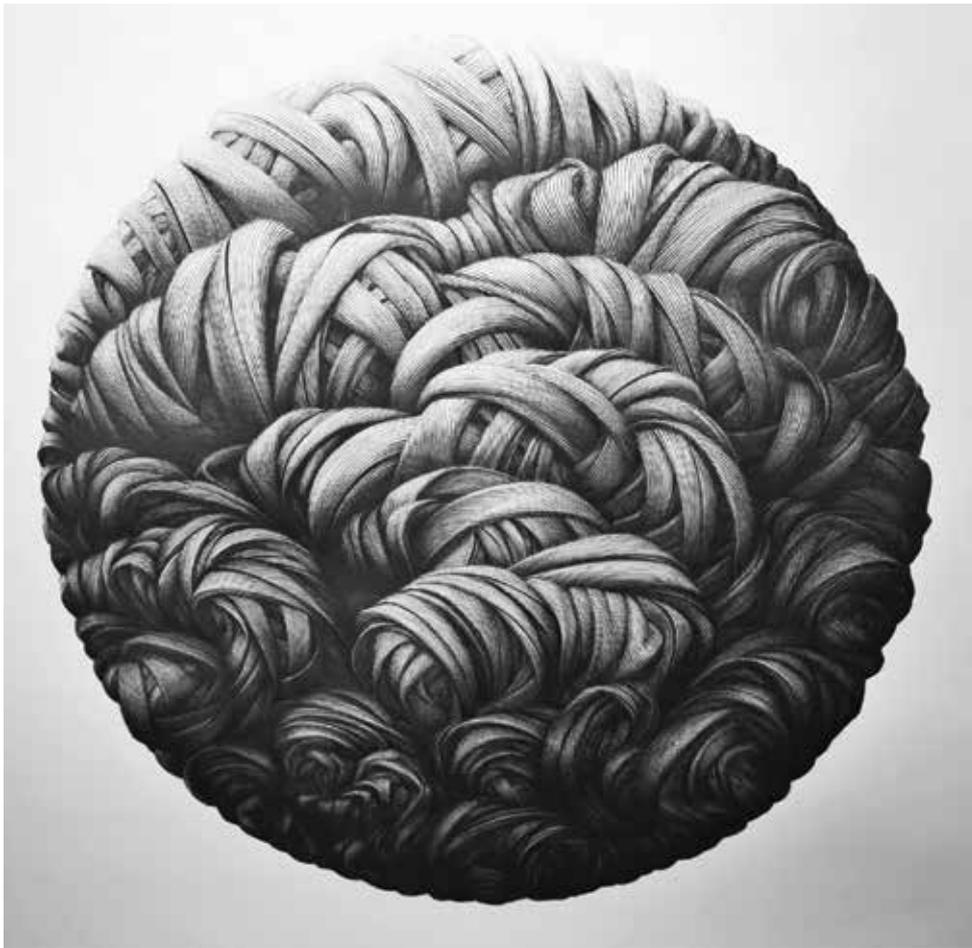
**March 24-27**  
[emiratesclassiccarfestival.com](http://emiratesclassiccarfestival.com)

[THE FESTIVAL]

# Art in the right place

Talent from all corners of the planet congregate for the tenth Art Dubai festival

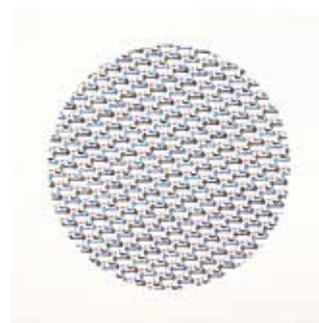
*Second Harvest VII* by Ahmet Dogu Ipek, courtesy of Sanatorium



**M**aybe just for one weekend avoid the mall and ditch your brunch plans.

Instead take a wander round the beguiling work on display at Art Dubai which chalks up its tenth edition this year. The festival at Madinat Jumeirah is divided into three sections: *Modern* shows work from artists in the Middle East, Africa and South Asia. The *Contemporary* zone this year is guest curated by Kate Fowle from the Garage Museum of Contemporary Art in Moscow. Finally, *Marker* will display art from Filipino artists. In all, 500 artists covering 70 nationalities across 94 galleries from 40 countries will vie for your attention - much more multicultural than a brunch, wouldn't you say?

March 16-19; [artdubai.ae](http://artdubai.ae)



*Hasti Masti* by Hossein Valamanesh, courtesy of the artist and Gagproje



[THE WATCH]

## Ahoy there

When you're dropping anchor in a chic harbour it's important to look the part. The new Franck Muller Yachting Collection should do the trick, with their nautical look and rugged build. Four versions are available, all of which echo Muller's yacht, which was unveiled last year.

[franckmuller.com](http://franckmuller.com)



[THE PHOTO]

## Hollywood snaps

If you were a movie star in the 1960s and 1970s and you hadn't been photographed by Douglas Kirkland, you were a nobody. The famous snapper captured Brigitte Bardot (left), Marilyn Monroe, Charlie Chaplin, Judy Garland and dozens more movie greats in a stellar career. See his photos at La Petite Maison this month.

March 13-20; [lpmduhai.ae](http://lpmduhai.ae)

*Bhanga Bronze* by  
Vincent DUBOURG  
(Carpenters Workshop  
Gallery, Paris)



## [THE EVENT]

# Clean lines

Design Days Dubai returns to Downtown with a strong focus on local talent

**W**ith four successful Design Days fairs under their belt, the fifth features more than 30 exhibitors and, according to director Cyril Zammit, will “celebrate the fair’s legacy and commitment to supporting and nurturing local design talent.” He spoke to *EDGAR*.

### How has Design Days Dubai evolved?

When we started, design was taken as a purely functional form: a chair, a table. We brought unique, rare and collectible design and put young emerging galleries alongside renowned ones to enable exhibitors and visitors to gain visibility.

### Would you say the festival has been successful?

Young designers have emerged and established themselves thanks to the support of

the local institutions and commercial sponsors. Several galleries who first showed at an international level in Dubai are now exhibiting in other shows because they gained experience at Design Days Dubai. I am very proud to see what we have achieved in five years and also to see how Dubai has embraced design.

### Who should we look out for this year?

From a local point of view, I’d point to Aljoud Lootah. Her first full collection launched at Design Days Dubai in 2015 to great acclaim. The National Gallery of Victoria in Melbourne, Australia has acquired two of her pieces for the permanent collection of the museum and this is a first for an Emirati designer.

### Do you prefer minimalist design or more complicated pieces?

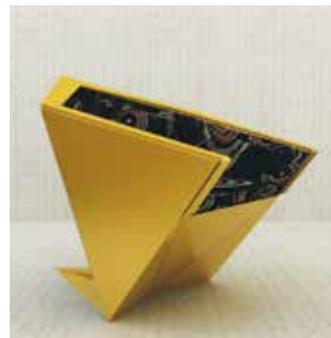
I am from the lean and simple school. For me, the beauty lies in a smooth and sophisticated approach. I am a great fan of pure Scandinavian lines or design from Asia.

### What makes great design?

Design should bring a new way of looking at objects with a special focus on the material used, the craftsmanship needed to create it and its capacity to go through the ages. The most iconic pieces of design are often timeless and over 50 or even 80 years old.

March 14-18

[designdaysdubai.ae](http://designdaysdubai.ae)



Renowned interior design company Vick Vanlian will present its bold pieces at Design Days, including the Trinity Chair, designed for the brand by the acclaimed Rayxander



[THE AUCTION]

## Hammer time

Beautiful watches, vintage luggage from Louis Vuitton, and limited edition Montblanc fountain pens are among the pieces going under the hammer at Christie's 10th anniversary auction this month. The storied auction house will also present a sale of important watches on March 15 from the likes of Rolex, Patek Philippe and Roger Dubuis, ranging from \$2,000 to \$200,000. Watches step aside for art on March 16 as more than 100 pieces are up for grabs, including *Sarajevo*, an 11-metre long triptych painted by Egyptian artist Omar El-Nagdi in 1992, which is expected to be sold for around \$500,000. All auctions take place at Jumeirah Emirates Towers Hotel.

March 13-17  
[christies.com](http://christies.com)



[THE SPORT]

## Sandy saddles

Horses and riders fight for glory at the Beach Polo Cup in Dubai this month - look out for that ball though

If you find it hard to follow the action in polo matches because the small white ball is hard to see, you might want to trot along to the Beach Polo Cup in Dubai.

The ball in this caffeinated version of the sport is big, pink and bouncy, which leads to unexpected U-turns and mistimed swings of the mallet from the two teams of three players.

Professional player, Argentinean Maxi Malacalza, will be in action at the tournament at Skydive Dubai and told *EDGAR* it's a wild ride.

"The atmosphere at beach polo is totally different to polo played on grass. In beach polo, the pitch is smaller, 100 metres by 50 metres, so the crowd is very close. They can smell the horses and hear us shout - they

can almost touch us."

And how about that bouncy ball? "It's easy to hit because it's big, but it's much lighter so the wind takes it away," explains Maxi. "If you don't hit it well it can go the opposite way you wanted. "The ball often flies into the crowd too, which they love. But don't worry, it doesn't hurt."

April 1-2; [beachpolo.net](http://beachpolo.net)