



PHOTO COURTESY PHILADELPHIA ART BOOK FAIR

POSTED MARCH 29, 2016 BY JOSH MIDDLETON

The Philadelphia Art Book Fair Returns From April 1-2

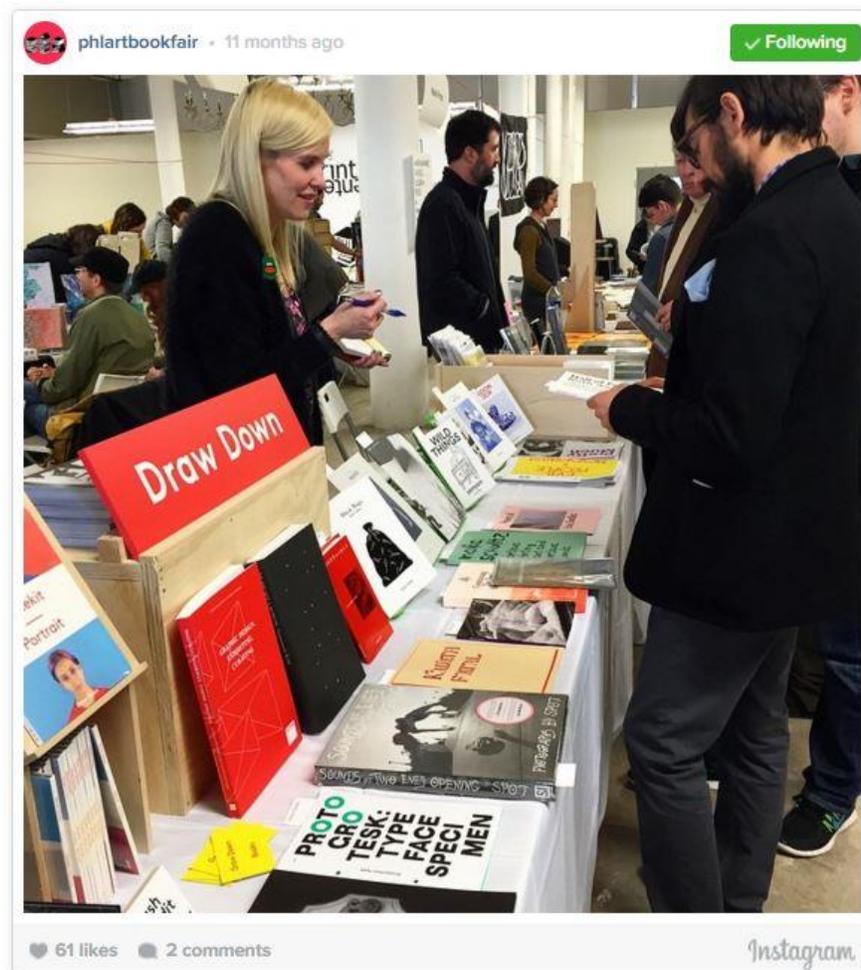
Browse an array of art books and photo books at the Philadelphia Art Book Fair, April 1-2.

Lovers of eye-catching coffee table books will find plenty to drool over at the two-day [Philadelphia Art Book Fair](#), which returns to the Annex on Filbert this weekend.

Hosted by [Philadelphia Photo Arts Center](#) and [The Print Center](#), the event invites more than 60 exhibitors from across the country to showcase new and innovative creations from the world of art and photo book publishing.

Vendor tables will fill the warehouse-style venue on Market East, allowing guests to ogle and thumb through independently published zines, tomes of thought-provoking photography, whimsical pop-up books and more.

An itinerary of conversations and book signings held throughout the weekend bring you face to face with some of the genre's major players.



The keynote speaker is photographer Doug DuBois, who's had works displayed at MoMA in both New York and San Francisco, and the J. Paul Getty Museum in Los Angeles. He's scheduled to close out the fair on Saturday with a discussion about his latest volume of photographs, *My Last Day at Seventeen*. The work analyzes youth in a small town in Ireland as they face the uncertainties of adulthood. He'll stick around after his talk to sign books.

Other signees include Robin Schwartz, whose *Amelia & the Animals* comprises poignant portraits of her daughter with animals from around the world. Texas photographer Keliy Anderson-Staley visits with her stunning collection of modern-day tintype portraits. On the local front, Susan Bank will autograph her latest, *Piercing the Darkness*, a publication of black-and-white shots taken in Havana, Cuba from 1999 to 2009.

For the full programming schedule, go [here](#). The Philadelphia Art Book Fair kicks off Friday, April 1, from noon to 8 p.m., and continues Saturday, April 2, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Admission to the fair is completely **free**.