## BLANTON MUSEUM 🖱 ART



MEDIA ALERT: The Blanton's B Scene art party celebrates Surrealism ahead of Halloween

**What:** The Blanton Museum of Art announces **B Scene: Surrealism Soirée** — the latest edition of its popular art party featuring late-night hours, live music, dancing, art talks and tours, and more — set to take place on Friday, October 25, 6–10 p.m.

B Scene: Surrealism Soirée celebrates this year's 100th anniversary of Surrealism and the Blanton's exhibition <u>Long Live Surrealism! 1924 – Today</u>, which explores the international artistic movement that emphasizes dreams, chance, and the unconscious and that continues to captivate artists today. In keeping with the party theme and Halloween spirit, attendees are encouraged to dress in their best Surrealist attire.

The event will feature live music by The Octopus Project and several Surrealism-inspired activities, including "Exquisite Corpse" artmaking, dream interpretation, and a talk with Austin artist Conner O'Leary, whose painting is in the exhibition.

The full line-up:

- Music by The Octopus Project with DJ set by Near Mint, presented by Resound
- ATX Artist Talk with Conner O'Leary
- Slow Looking Tour
- Dream Interpretation with Chosen Eyes
- Surrealist artmaking
- Stream-of-consciousness writing with Austin Typewriter Ink
- Magic mirror photobooth
- Food & drinks for purchase, featuring dreamy cocktails & mocktails

- Galleries and Austin by Ellsworth Kelly open late till 10 p.m.
- Museum Store (with Surrealist swag) open late till 10 p.m.
- \*Blanton Member Exclusive: free Aura Photography
- \*Blanton Member Perk: \$4 discounted parking

When: B Scene: Surrealism Soirée: Friday, October 25, 6:00 – 10:00 p.m.

## Tickets:

Blanton Member: \$20 Adult: \$30 Youth (ages 6-17): \$10 / \$5 for members Child (5 & under): Free

Advanced ticket purchase encouraged. Blanton Member tickets will be available online starting Monday, September 30. General Public tickets will be available online starting Wednesday, October 2.

Tickets and more info at blantonmuseum.org/bscene

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Press kit is <u>here</u>.

Featured image: Blanton visitors in art-inspired costumes

## About the Blanton Museum of Art:

Founded in 1963, the Blanton Museum of Art holds the largest public collection in Central Texas with more than 21,000 objects. Recognized as the home of *Austin* by Ellsworth Kelly, its major collecting areas are modern and contemporary U.S. and Latin American art, Italian Renaissance and Baroque paintings, and prints and drawings. The Blanton offers thought-provoking, visually arresting, and personally moving encounters with art.