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ART BASEL IN MIAMI BEACH

It's still all about the art at Art Basel

■ **After a dozen years, the star of Art Basel week in Miami Beach emerges as . . . art.**

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It's easy to lose perspective during the madness of Art Basel in Miami Beach, to get mired in the paparazzi feedings, the wild outfits, the glitterati throwing tantrums at velvet ropes as they demand entry to glam events hosted by Dom Perignon, Maserati and Ferrari.

But if you managed to cut through the flash of this 12th annual art week, you were rewarded with a breathtaking amount of world-class art at the main Art Basel fair in the Miami Beach

Convention Center, along with a dizzying number of thoughtful exhibitions at public and private museums, under tents, in permanent galleries and pop-up galleries, at parks — even on random street corners and floating out in the bay.

And while most of that winds up Sunday night, an increasing amount of extraordinary work — including at the just-opened Pérez Art Museum Miami — is here to stay. All week, folks teared up as they strolled through the long-awaited museum, taking in the

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PUBLIC ART: Large sculptures adorn the outside of Miami Beach's Bass Museum.