

Modern and Contemporary Art in The Region of Valencia

This is an artistic expression that reflects nothing less than the reality and values of our times. For this difficult mission, contemporary art aims to break away from traditional conventions and invites us to explore and reflect on more relevant issues in today's society.



It is characterised by its innovative nature and by challenging the established limits through a wide variety of media that you can see throughout the following: painting, sculpture, urban art and land art, audiovisual media, photography as well as ephemeral and digital art etc.

The Region of Valencia is a vibrant epicentre for contemporary art where artists and viewers come together in a participatory experience in which art is not limited to galleries and museums, but is integrated into the social fabric and engages the community. This interaction enriches perspectives, fosters creativity and stimulates dialogue.

A different cultural offer



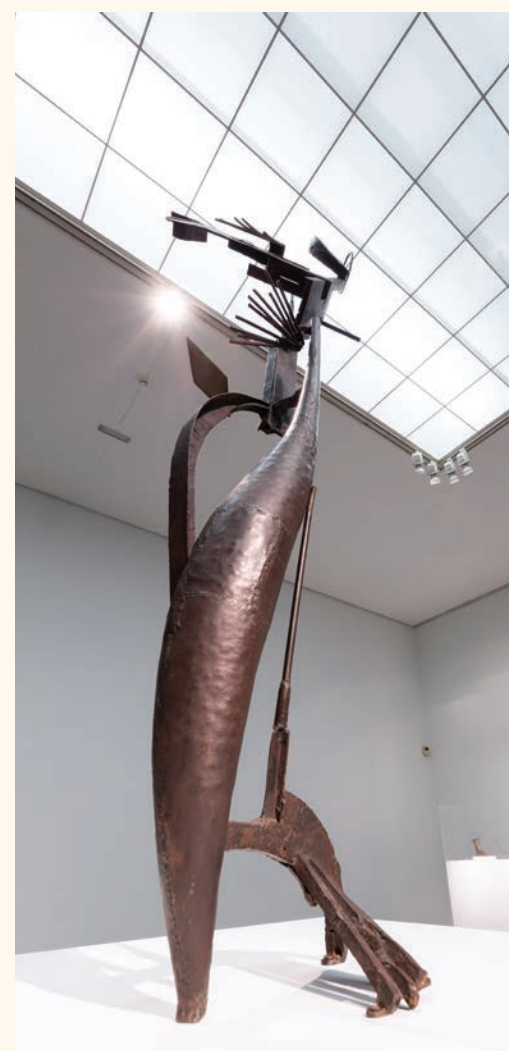
If you are looking for a proposal for the perfect getaway for a few days or to combine the different attractions in the Region of Valencia with its cultural offer, you will find options here to discover some of its most iconic contemporary art resources. Museums, exhibition spaces, art galleries and workshops, as well as events, street art, photography and land art will pass on knowledge and emotions that you won't forget.

The variety is surprising: from small rural municipalities that have taken up the banner of art to fight against depopulation, to the modern art offer in larger cities, which combine tradition with the avant-garde and cultural exchange.

Options for all tastes

Museums

The Region of Valencia is full of museums; you will find a good number dedicated to contemporary art across the three provinces. They are places to enjoy different forms of expression in an environment that will help you understand the meaning of the works and that takes care of conserving them.



Exhibition spaces

These places capture the interests of a large number of artists, many of whom are emerging or live in the area. They always offer something new thanks to the fact that their exhibitions change continuously throughout the year.



Events

Both small towns and large cities organise festivals and opportunities for artists, many of them new, to create their own works and exhibit them. In this way, art routes and temporary or permanent exhibitions are created that add more reasons to visit these municipalities.

Land art

Everyone knows about street art and urban art, but the Region of Valencia also offers a multitude of opportunities for appreciating land art: outdoor art that dialogues with nature and the land traditionally associated with agricultural activities. These actions also seek to promote respect for nature and help establish towns and villages.



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Enjoy truly innovative art

REGION OF VALENCIA MEDITERRANEAN ATTITUDE

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Castelló



Castelló de la Plana

1 L'Espai d'Art Contemporani de Castelló

Founded in 1997, its objective is the dissemination of all kinds of recent artwork of national and international scope for the general public. It has three completely separate spaces: Espai Didàctic hosts workshops open to the public, Espai Donar offers a programme of experimental music works and concerts, and Espai Cinema has a projection room for thematic cycles and events with filmmakers and artists.



2 Imaginaria Festival Fotogràfic (Photography Festival)

This event, which was launched in 2003, has the mission of promoting the work of the creators of still images as another field of culture. Programmed with different exhibitions throughout Castelló province in May and June, this festival advocates the recognition of photography as a testimony of the changes in society.



Culla

3 Espainivi Collblanc

This multidisciplinary exhibition space is located in Culla, a beautiful town in Maestrat declared an Asset of Cultural Interest. It transfers the concept of an urban modern and avant-garde art gallery to the rural environment. Here you will find the most recent trends in video, photography, painting, sculpture and music, as well as excellent promotion of local artists. It is led by the artist and sculptor Mariano Poyatos.



Fanzara

4 The Fanzar Unfinishes Museum of Urban Art (MIAU)

The streets of this village, with less than 300 residents, have become in recent years a major outdoor exhibition of the creations of leading representatives of this style both nationally and internationally. The creation process is very original: the artists who collaborate in the contest stay in the homes of the neighbours and make their creations based on dialogue with the owners of the houses that will be the canvases for their works.



Les Coves de Vinromà

5 Amics de l'art d'en Roures

This is a private exhibition space that belongs to the cultural association of the same name, in which many of the prolific works of Tomás Roures are exhibited. His work is mainly based on sculpture, but you will also find interesting paintings, drawings and sketches. There is also the possibility that the artist himself may join you.



Torreblanca

6 Cítric

Usually lasting a couple of days, this event has transformed unattractive walls and buildings into true works of art. Since 2015, the contest has filled the streets of Torreblanca with art, colour and a special cultural atmosphere with works by urban artists.

Vilafamés

7 Vicente Aguilera Cerni Museum of Contemporary Art (MACVAC)

This is a museum full of character, created in 1972, which was one of the first spaces dedicated to contemporary art in Spain. Behind its creation was the determination of the art critic Vicente Aguilera Cerni, hence its name. The museum's rooms are home to more than 500 works by avant-garde artists, both Spanish and international, of currents such as informalism, expressionism and social realism.



8 Tràfic d'Art

An exhibition space comprising a studio, workshop and gallery in which Jesús Llopis and Amparo Domínguez work. The space is home to the extensive works of these artists and some exclusive events, as well as a work in constant evolution.



Vilanova d'Alcolea

9 FAVA365

This festival is different every time it is held since it address a specific theme, such as plastic, performing or visual arts throughout the year. It includes training workshops, get-togethers, exhibitions, performances and trips, with the aim that the community participates in the creative process and beautifies this town even more.



Vistabella del Maestrat

10 Land Art Enclave

A project with an international impact that promotes the relationship that residents and visitors have with nature through contemporary art. To do this, workshops, meetings and activities are held that connect artists with the neighbourhood. The objective is to expand the area's resources and contribute to revitalising it in a sustainable way that respects the environment and the landscape as heritage. The works are part of a route on the slopes of Mount Penyagolosa.



Valencia



Albaida

11 José Segrelles House Museum

Designed by the artist himself, who captured his way of life and personality in the beautiful surroundings of the town's Palace and Archpriest Church. In this luxurious setting that combines the classic and the contemporary, you will discover how Segrelles created his daily life, his hobbies and more than 150 original works by this influential painter, poster artist and illustrator from Albaida.



Buñol

12 De Par en Part

This festival retakes and updates the path set by the Buñol Arts Biennial to showcase the work of local, national and international artists every two years. Known worldwide thanks to the Tomatina fiesta, this town's homes, castle and outdoor spaces are prepared to host exhibitions of painting, sculpture, murals, ephemeral art and contests.



Carrícola

13 Biodivers

This small town in Vall d'Albaida has successfully enhanced its landscape and heritage thanks to this land art event, which was first held in 2010, through which 71 sculptures emerged. The works that have been created since then are distributed throughout the village, its natural areas and also on the way to its castle, thus adding even more value to these environments.



Cheste

14 Graffitea

Although famous for its circuit and international competitions, Cheste has an urban art route that is well worth visiting thanks to the Graffitea festival. Since it began in 2016, this street art event has enhanced the buildings, heritage and history of Cheste, while creating a dialogue on the streets between art and current society.



Otos

15 The sundials of Oto

This village in Vall d'Albaida has a route on which you can see more than thirty sundials created by prestigious artists since 2005. To discover the history of each of the works in this open-air museum, it is best to request a guided tour and also enjoy its castle, heritage and natural environment.



Pedralba

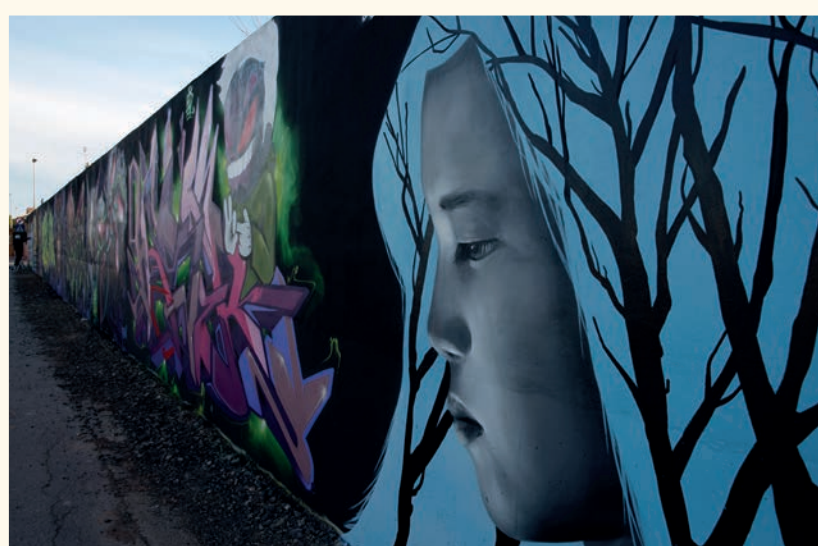
16 Pedralba 2000 Museum of Modern Art

Housed in a traditional three-story farmhouse, this free-entry museum has a large collection that helps visitors explore various techniques and periods of contemporary art in just a few rooms. It is very much focused on the dissemination of art for everyone and offers creative workshops and tours for children.

Rafelbunyol

Final de Trajecte

This municipality, although small, is full of life and art thanks to this urban art festival that has filled many of the town's walls with colour and meaning. The event takes its name from the fact that Rafelbunyol is the last stop on Valencia Metro's Line 3, although its creation was a starting point in the advocacy of public space for social dialogue and against abandonment and vandalism.



Requena

18 Requena Photo House Museum (FOCAM)

Here you can go on an exciting journey through the history of photography from its invention in France in 1839 until the appearance of the digital image. This museum is an adaptation of an old five-story house that you can visit for free.

19 "Florencio de la Fuente" Museum of Contemporary Art

This is a somewhat special space because of how the collection offered to the public is set up; it is based on continuous temporary exhibitions made up of works from its own collections, from other museums and from the City Council collections of the collector Florencio de la Fuente himself.



Riba-roja del Túria

20 Espai d'art contemporani "El Castell" (ECA)

This contemporary art centre stands out for its location, Riba-roja castle, a walled enclosure dating from the Islamic period, which houses two archaeological museums. Within the ECA, you will find proposals by avant-garde artists from the Region of Valencia, educational workshops and a meeting point for the arts and modern human beings.

Sagunt

21 Més que Murs

Many walls of the historic city of Sagunt are decorated by local, national and international artists thanks to this urban art festival. Any style goes (graffiti, illustration, realism etc.) to get art out onto the streets and create a dialogue with the general public with each new edition.



Valencia

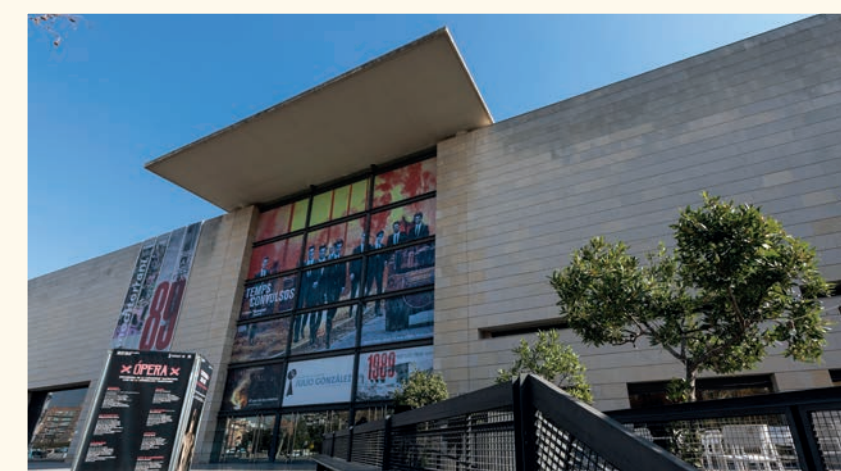
22 Las Naves

This exhibition space is a centre of social and urban innovation for Valencia's creative and cultural industry. Located in some old industrial warehouses near the port, its halls are home to temporary collections, presentations of avant-garde cultural projects with a social impact and spaces for artistic experimentation.



23 Valencian Institut of Modern Art (IVAM)

Located in the centre of Valencia, this museum has a permanent collection of around 12,000 works by important Spanish and international modern and contemporary artists. It also has temporary exhibitions and holds concerts, talks, workshops and courses.



24 Abstracte, un riú d'art

This is a trail of generally abstract works of urban art that runs through the gardens of the old Turia riverbed. It is advisable to use a bike to explore this immense green lung almost 10 kilometres long that crosses the city and is the largest metropolitan park in Spain.

Palau Joan de Valeriola

This impressive exhibition space, an example of stately Gothic architecture dating from the 14th century, is the headquarters of the Chirivella Soriano Foundation. Its three floors and more than 1,000 square metres house an exceptional private collection that begins with works from the late 50s to the present.

Centre del Carme Cultura Contemporània (CCCC)

Located in Valencia's old Royal Monastery of Nuestra Señora del Carmen, founded in 1281, this exhibition space has an extensive cultural programme that covers all artistic disciplines.



27 La Rambleta - Espai Rambleta

Since 2012, this cultural centre and exhibition space has functioned as an important catalyst and driving force for contemporary art and culture, bringing together all forms of expression and avant-garde movements. Highlights on its wide-ranging programming include cutting-edge creative proposals from emerging artists.



Bombas Gens Centre d'Art

This exhibition space stands out for its location: an old Art Deco factory built between 1930 and 1935. It boasts around 6,200 square metres in which you will find an air raid shelter, a permanent sculpture space and the Per Amor a l'Art collection, which contains some 1,500 works by 150 artists.



Centro de Arte Hortensia Herrero

The CAHH is a spectacular, completely restored palace, which is part of the Valencian baroque, and was built in the 17th century. This space houses the private collection of Hortensia Herrero, works by more than 50 contemporary artists of recognized international prestige, among whom we can mention Anselm Kiefer, Anish Kapoor, Georg Baselitz, Mat Collishaw, Andreas Gursky, Tony Cragg or Manolo Valdés. In addition, the Hortensia Herrero Art Center includes accessible, multimedia and interactive rooms that will allow you to experience beyond mere observation.



Costa Blanca



Alcoi

30 IVAM Cada Alcoi

This imposing three-story exhibition space is part of an ambitious programme of contemporary art collections, focusing on the plastic arts and the world of current culture. Its objective is to disseminate and promote the creations of artists from the comarca, and it aspires to become an established cultural tourism destination in the Region of Valencia.



Alicante

31 Alicante Museum of Contemporary Art (MACA)

Opposite the historic basilica of Santa María is this museum that amazes visitors even before they go in with its location and the building's Baroque architecture. The MACA is one of the main cultural centres in Alacant; it emphasises conservation and dissemination thanks to its permanent collections, temporary exhibition hall and a multitude of services.



Las Cigarreras Cultural Center of Alicante

Located in the city's old tobacco company dating from the beginning of the 19th century. It consists of three warehouses that were renovated for cultural use: the Contemporary Culture warehouse, the Cultural Heritage warehouse and the House of Music. The first is home to the Caja Blanca exhibition space, 360 square metres exhibiting different temporary collections focused on creation, innovation and new media.



Crevillent

33 Julio Quesada Museum

Since 1999, this space has been dedicated to disseminating the work of Julio Quesada Guilabert, one of the best watercolourists of the 20th century, no less. This collection includes 140 works by the painter, together with a number by other artists.

Gata de Gorgos

34 Art al Vent

This event remembers and translates into contemporary art the popular tradition of placing quilts of damask or crochet fabrics on balconies with the passing of a procession, a tradition that was deeply rooted until recently in the Marina Alta comarca. Art al Vent has thus become one of the most important open-air textile creation exhibitions in Spain.



Pego

35 Museu d'Art Contemporani de Pego

This space is fed by the works awarded in the prestigious Vila de Pego Painting Competition, known for its history since 1976, its substantial financial prize and the atmosphere at the annual meeting between artists and enthusiasts. Some of the museum's collection also comes from a donation made by 'Los amigos del museo de Pego', as well as other donations from prominent artists and art galleries.



San Vicente del Raspeig

36 University of Alicante Museum (MUA)

Pablo Picasso, Joan Miró, Eduardo Chillida, Eusebio Sempere and Arcadio Blasco are just some of the artists you will find in this museum's collection. A pioneering project within the university environment, both for its architectural conception and its constantly changing high-quality temporary exhibitions, around twenty each season.

