Los Angeles Times

BY STEVEN VARGAS, LOS ANGELES TIMES STAFF

JUNE 7, 2023 11 AM PT



Penelope Gottlieb, "Colocasia esculenta," 2023. Acrylic and ink over a digital reproduction of an Audubon print. Paper: 60 x 40 in. Framed: 62 x 42 in. (© Penelope Gottlieb / L.A. Louver)

4. 'The Flower Show'

Ever been wowed by a beautiful flower? Get ready to be amazed by the dozens in L.A. Louver's "The Flower Show." The group show includes work depicting flowers by more than 50 artists of varying styles, mediums and backgrounds. While a majority of the botanical-inspired works are contemporary, some date as far back as the 19th century. Attitudes toward flowers in art have changed dramatically over the years, at one point seen as decorative and later viewed as a representation of spirituality. While you can't smell the roses, you can still take some time out of your week to step back and look at them. Times arts and culture reporter Deborah Vankin recommends this blooming exhibition. "The Flower Show" opens Wednesday with a reception from 6 to 8 p.m. and runs until Sept. 1. The gallery in Venice is free and open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday. More details can be found on L.A. Louver's website.