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## What the World's Top Collectors Bought in 2023, From Art Historical Treasures to the Freshest Wet Paint

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Leslie Martinez's *Triton* (2023) was recently acquired by Pete Scantland.  
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When it comes to being an active buyer of art, the collectors who rank on *ARTnews's* annual Top 200 list are tough to beat. With voracious appetites to acquire and discerning eyes, each year they are on the hunt to grow their collection. For many, it's something that will never be complete, but rather represents their personal journey as collectors—from getting to know artists to traveling the world over to see the latest biennials and major institutional shows.

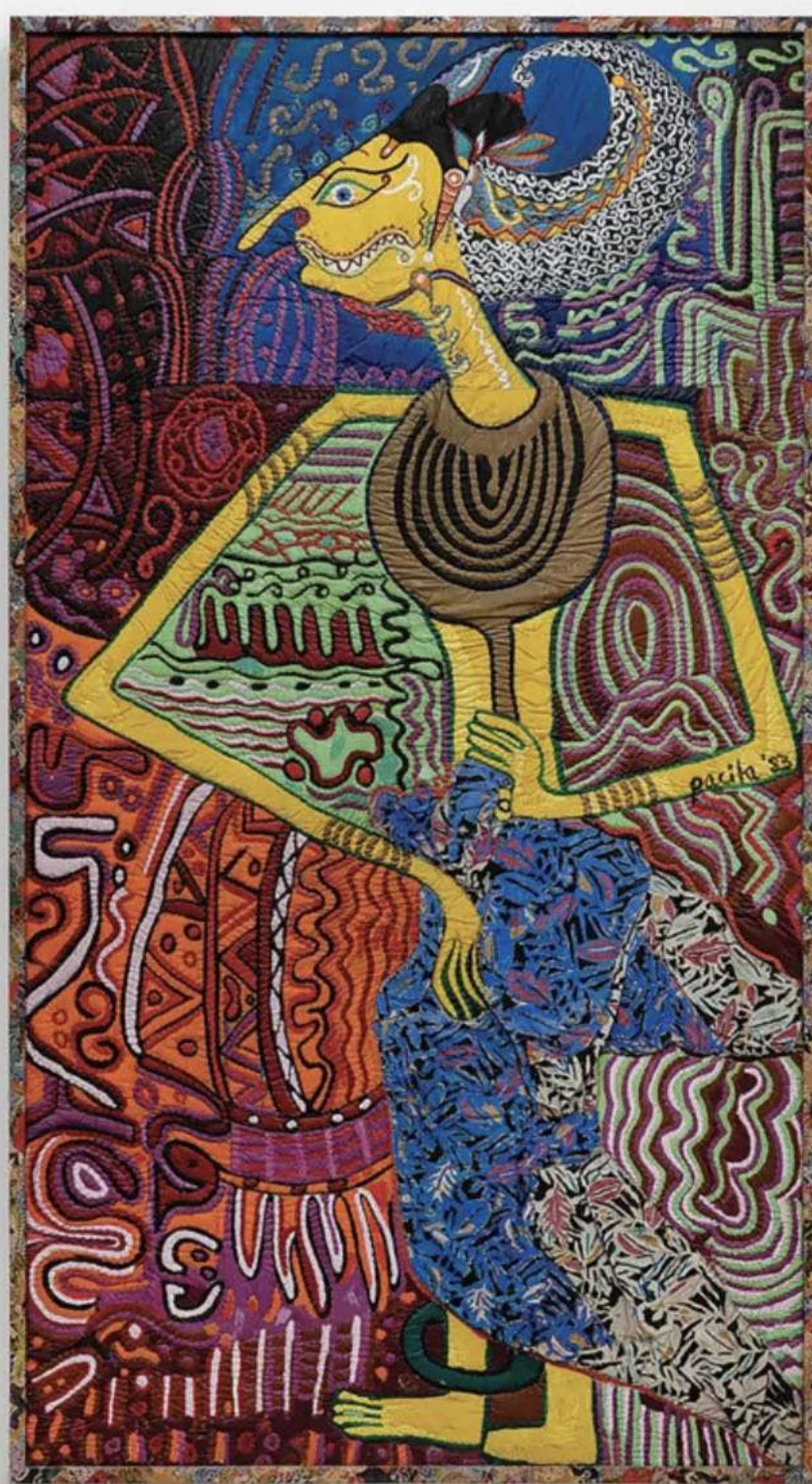
This year, has been no different for the Top 200, who have acquired a diverse array of works from major historical works by the likes of Lee Krasner, Derek Jarman, Huguette Caland, Pacita Abad, Carmen Herrera, Frank Moore, and Maria Martins to works fresh from the studio by artists like Rashid Johnson, Alvaro Barrington, Che Lovelace, rafa esparza, and Toyin Ojih Odutola.

Below, a look at what our Top 200 Collectors recently purchased.

**[Explore the 2023 edition of the ARTnews Top 200 Collectors list.]** ([https://www.artnews.com/art-collectors/top-200-profiles/?filter\\_top200year=2023](https://www.artnews.com/art-collectors/top-200-profiles/?filter_top200year=2023))

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## Lonti Ebers



Pacita Abad, *Irawan*, 1983.

Photo : Courtesy Pacita Abad Estate

Since first learning about Pacita Abad in 2022, Lonti Ebers has acquired several works by the late artist, dazzled by how significant a body of work she left behind. Her most recent Abad acquisition is 1983's *Irawan*, made of stitched and padded canvas and batik cloth onto which the artist applied acrylic paint.