

Special Events

ARTROPOLIS—April 30-May 3 (F, Sa 11 am-7 pm; Su 11 am-6 pm; M 11 am-4 pm). From Art Chicago to the Merchandise Mart International Antiques Fair and the cutting-edge exhibition NEXT, this arts fest at the Merchandise Mart showcases the work of hundreds of top international artists. \$20 admission (multi-day pass \$25). www.artropolis-chicago.com. Kinzie and Wells streets, 800.677.MART(6728). El: Brown, Purple to Merchandise Mart. **Downtown: K-6**

FIRST FRIDAYS AT THE MCA—April 2 (6-10 pm). One of the Museum of Contemporary Art's most popular events, this 21-and-over party on the first Friday of each month draws swinging singles who ogle new artists' work—not to mention each other—over cocktails and appetizers. Admission \$16. www.mcachicago.org. 220 E. Chicago Ave., 312.397.4010. **Downtown: H-5**

STARBUCKS SATURDAY GUIDED ART TOUR—April 3, 10, 17, 24 (11 am-12:30 pm). Get a glimpse inside River North galleries at these free tours led by local art experts. www.chicagoartdealers.org. 750 N. Franklin St, 312.649.0065. El: Brown to Chicago. **Downtown: H-4**

