

Dinesen delivers 4300m² Oak planks for Istanbul's new museum of contemporary art

In Istanbul lies Arter Contemporary Art Museum – a vibrant cultural hub that brings together artists and audiences through celebration of today's art in all its forms and disciplines.

As a subsidiary of the Vehbi Koç Foundation, the museum opened in 2010 until 2018, and at its location on Istiklal Street, Istanbul's main pedestrian artery for culture and arts, Arter has presented 35 solo and group exhibitions to date with accompanying publications, talks, performances and workshops; and provided support for the production of 183 artworks in the framework of its programme.

The construction of the new building started in 2015 and was completed in 2019, and on 9 September 2019, Arter opened its doors to the public in the new space in Dolapdere. Designed by London-based Grimshaw Architects, the new Arter will host exhibitions from but not limited to its collection as well as performances and events across disciplines, expanding the range of its programmes.

Guests visiting Arter will step onto Dinesen Oak which covers 4300m² of the new museum. When guests roam freely from level to level, it will also be staircases made from Dinesen Oak that lead the way to new exciting experiences at the museum.

The long Oak planks add a warm and inviting base for people to enjoy the artworks at this artistic and social meeting point that Arter is.

Arter's new building has 18,000 square meters of indoor area and houses, in addition to exhibition galleries, a terrace, performance halls, learning areas, a library, a conservation laboratory, an arts bookstore, and a café.

At this new building, Arter will strive to be a sustainable, vibrant cultural hub, making its broad range of programmes accessible to everyone.

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