



We Are Here

Street Art Enters the Museum

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- The book of a major Parisian event that made history
- An international exhibition featuring the greatest street artists, free of charge, during the Olympic Games from June 2024 to January 2025
- Shepard Fairey, Invader, D*FACE, Swoon... All the biggest international street art stars

The exhibition *We Are Here* (June 2024 – January 2025) adorned the Petit Palais in the colours of street art for the first time ever. Sixty leading artists of the movement, such as Shepard Fairey or Cleon Peterson, exhibited more than 200 works, delighting thousands of spectators.

Through bold and innovative creations, they were able to reinterpret the spaces of this masterpiece created by architect Charles Girault, inviting us to think about the evolution of art and society.

Open to everyone, *We Are Here* was much more than just an exhibition: it demonstrated that art is always in motion, and that its forms are constantly renewed; it also showed that it was possible to go beyond the stereotypes that sometimes still surround street art, while it also confirmed its diversity and richness.

This beautiful book will immerse you in the heart of the design of this astounding creative challenge.

We Are Here is a shining example of Paris's commitment to celebrating all forms of art.

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