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The Chateau Show offers a stylish exhibition full of surprises for artistic insiders

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The annual show at the Aldredge House Museum is a highlight of the fall season.

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Chateau Show is a labor of love for the local scene.



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Joel Murray Co-Creator, Co-Curator of Château Show seen here in a 2024 installation created by artist Brent Birnbaum in the Historic Aldredge House. Birnbaum's installation work was exhibited last year in the third iteration of Chateau Show. Birnbaum exhibits with Dallas based gallery Keijsers Koning.

"We're particular art nerds and art lovers, and we really wanted to support known, respected, and loved artists we know from all the time we've spent in Dallas," says Murray. "We give artists carte blanche to do whatever they can dream up in the space, whether it's site specific or something more controlled and commercial."

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A display in the Aldridge House Museum.

From the backyard to the bathroom, you never know what you'll find (or where you'll find it), and the 21 participants in this year's edition (among them Alicia Eggert, Luke Harnden, Virginia L. Montgomery, and Arthur Peña) are sure to dream up something visionary to align with the house's elegant environs.

Details

The Chateau Show at Aldredge House Museum, 5500 Swiss Ave., is on view noon to 4 p.m. Oct. 19-25. Free visits can be made by appointment via the event's Instagram.

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