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From a major exhibition of Jenny Saville to some bright new stars, don't miss these stops in the French capital.

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The eyes of the art world are eagerly set on the French capital this week for the debut of Paris+ by Art Basel at the Grand Palais Éphémère. Coinciding with the highly anticipated launch of the fair, galleries across Paris are staging ambitious shows to attract collectors and art lovers. Here we pick some of the top gallery shows worth visiting.

Kokou Ferdinand Makouvia: "Dedans, tout se bouscule comme de petits monstres que la lumière a réveillés par surprise"

Galerie Sator Until October 29, 2022



Installation view of Kokou Ferdinand Makouvia's work at Galerie Sator. © Gregory Copitet

"Inside, everything shifts like small monsters that the light has awakened by surprise," says the Togolese artist Kokou Ferdinand Makouvia about his haunting show that draws on the Mina culture of West Africa and animism. In front of walls covered in layered pieces of burnt cardboard painted white, ceramic faces seem to scream. Beside a bush of phallic cones, irregular forms recalling animal hides hang suspended from ropes. Completing the composition are glass bowls filled with toxic beads and coals resembling decomposing matter.

Kokou Ferdinand Makouvia's exhibition is on view at 43 rue de la Commune de Paris 93230 Romainville.