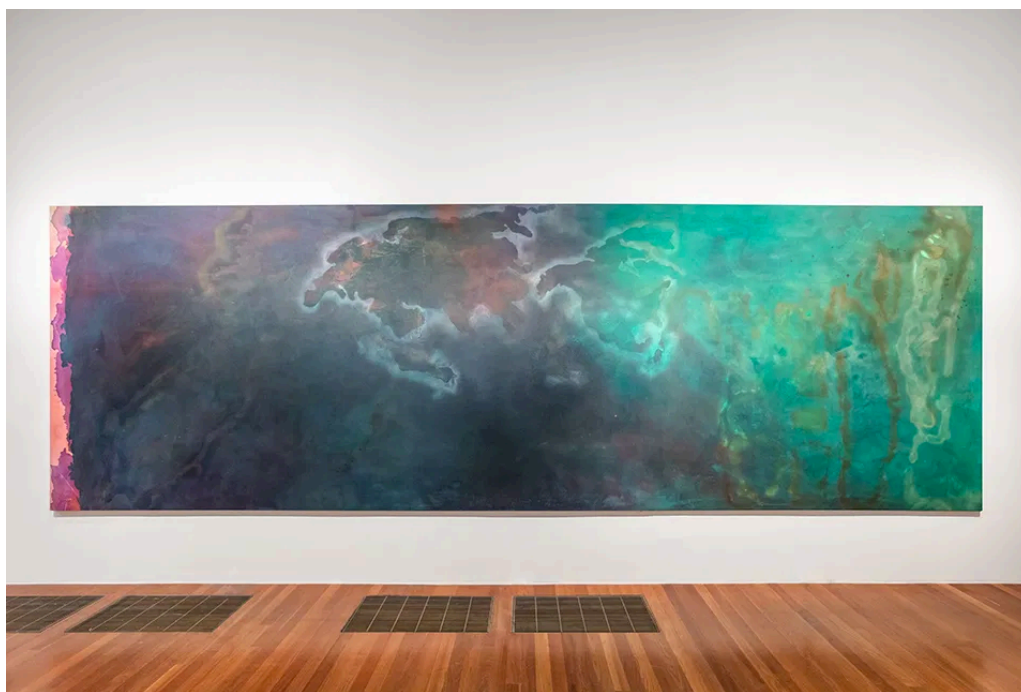


## Latest News in African American Art: Guggenheim Hires First Black Curator and Names Hugo Boss Prize Finalists, de Young Museum Acquires Frank Bowling Painting

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FRANK BOWLING (b. 1934), "Penumbra" (1970) (acrylic and spray paint on canvas, 8 X 23 feet). I de Young Museum, Photo by Gary Sexton

*The following review presents a snapshot of recent news in African American art and related black culture:*

### NEWS

ACQUISITIONS | The Fine Arts Museums of San Francisco (which comprise the de Young and Legion of Honor museums) acquired **Frank Bowling's** "Penumbra" (1970), shown above. Part of his "Map" series, the museum said the large-scale painting "evokes the global scale, impact, and complexity of the African Diaspora; thus critiquing a long-reigning world view distorted by imperialism and colonialism." "Penumbra" is on view in "[Soul of a Nation: Art in the Age of Black Power, 1963-1983](#)" at the de Young, through March 15, 2020.