All eyes have turned to Rio those past two weeks. Coming to an end this weekend, the XXXI Olympic Games have been a great success for Team U.S.A. Collectively we have all been touched by the mastery of Simone Biles, amazed by the invincible Michael Phelps, and, at times, curious about the lesser-known sports like handball, synchronized diving, or trampoline. For those who have an Olympic blues now that we’re close to the end, cheer up with a round-up of exhibitions taking place in one of the most Olympic cities ever: Los Angeles. After hosting the games in 1932 and 1984, Los Angeles is now host to a major art scene.

Get ready to enter the art marathon! La Brea Avenue can’t be missed: celebrate the summer with the first LA solo exhibition of Justine Kurland, whose car photographs explore her fascination with the American West. Then, for a more wacky experience, discover new paintings by Vonn Sumner, including some referring to his imagined secret society, ‘The Confraternity of the Sock.’ And if you feel like you want to stop for a snack, head to M+B to see its group exhibition examining the intersections between food, daily life, and art in Los Angeles. Food-influenced
paintings, drawings, sculpture, and videos by Matthew Brandt, Ed Ruscha, and Jonas Wood will keep your appetite strong!

Even if you can’t see all these exhibitions, remember the famous saying by Pierre de Coubertin: L’important n’est pas de gagner mais de participer—It’s not winning but participating that counts. So jump on the Olympic wave and make the best of your Angelino art race!

Exhibition: “Justine Kurland: Auto Parts”
When: June 2–August 27, 2016
Where: Kayne Griffin Corcoran, 1201 S. La Brea Avenue, Los Angeles, CA