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11 Artists Poised to Have Breakout Years in 2016

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For our Art and Design issue, New York has been examining the art world's recent past — tracing the identity-politics revolution; catching up with Richard Prince, the Warhol of the Instagram age — and it's present, as we sit down with James Franco to let him make a case for his art and get a crash course in today's market from a Sotheby's advisor. And now we look to the future: ahead, 11 artists, selected by senior art critic Jerry Saltz, who are poised to have breakout years, along with a sampling of their work.

Nathaniel Mary Quinn, Painter, 38

Quinn's intensely vivisected Frankensteinian faces and viscously spliced figures make a nation of loved, colorful portraits. Bold shifts of scale, fungal surfaces that slide between smooth and gloppy, and attacks on integrated pictorial wholeness.

