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Top 5 Artists | Joshua Petker
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A spotlight on the top 5 next gen artists from those that know. This week's Top 5 comes from non other than Verity Babbs, who is an art critic-comedian, presenter and writer.

Joshua Petker

"Arresting narratives and beautiful colour-palettes."

Drawing inspiration from historical works, which are intentionally kept anonymous, Joshua Petker's paintings rely instead on their ability to evoke the familiar and uncanny, teasing and tantalizing. Rather than draw specific conclusions from these juxtapositions, his work unleashes an exhilarating proliferation of meanings and pictorial puzzles. The artist offers the history of art and visual culture reshuffled—Picabia, Bronzino, soviet era cartoons. Petker makes these his own and the outcome is a timeless dreamlike mix of perspective and emotionality.