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20 Trailblazing Artists with Major Museum Shows in 2020



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In 2020, major art museums are recognizing the role of women in art history more than ever before through exhibitions ranging from a Renaissance master's first major show to an examination of a sprawling Tuscan sculpture park. At the same time, institutions are still making room to showcase the best up-and-coming photographers, conceptual artists, and filmmakers, while celebrating the long careers of revered modern and contemporary artists, from Donald Judd to Jasper Johns. To ring in the new decade, we share 20 artists with major museum shows in 2020.

Lorraine O'Grady

Brooklyn Museum, New York, November 20, 2020-April 11, 2021



Portrait of Lorraine O'Grady by Ross Collab, 2018. Courtesy Alexander Gray Associates, New York.

Lorraine O'Grady, *Art Is . . . (Girl Pointing)* , 1983/2009. © Lorraine O'Grady/Artists Rights Society (ARS), New York. Courtesy of the Brooklyn Museum.

Lorraine O'Grady primarily uses photographic diptychs to examine issues ranging from diaspora to black female subjectivity. Her interest in duality—whether in explicitly showing two images next to each other, or in implicitly comparing divergent materials like silk and tumbleweed—inspired the name of the exhibition, "Both/And." O'Grady is interested in shifting the narrative of "either/or" in

Western thought to something more inclusive. The <u>Brooklyn Museum</u> exhibition is the artist's first comprehensive retrospective, and will feature around a dozen of her major projects.