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From the Armory Show to Independent to SPRING/BREAK, this week's New York fairs offer a sampling of exciting new talents.

**Maria Vogel** | March 2, 2020

The art world is preparing to descend on Manhattan this week for the 2020 edition of the Armory Show. What historically took place in individual rooms at the Gramercy Park Hotel now resides across two vast piers stretching out into the Hudson River. But of course, the Armory isn't the only show in town this week—no fewer than eight satellite fairs are taking place, too, offering something for every collector's taste and budget.

To help you navigate the influx of art, we've highlighted a group of up-and-coming talents to look out for—each with eye-catching work, critical and curatorial buzz, and a prominent presence at one of the week's fairs. Happy looking.

### Robert Nava



Robert Nava, *Untitled* (2020). Courtesy of the artist and Sorry We're Closed.

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**Who:** The 35-year-old Midwestern native has been making waves with his stripped-down, raw portrayals of fantastical characters that blur the line between reality and fiction.

**Based in:** Brooklyn, New York

**Where to See It:** Sorry We're Closed will mount a solo booth of the artist's work at the Armory Show—his first major presentation in New York.

**What to Know:** In 2019, Nava—who earned his MFA from Yale in 2011—was the subject of back-to-back sold-out solo shows at Night Gallery in Los Angeles and V1 Gallery in Denmark. Nava's seemingly carefree marks feel particularly fresh in the current painting landscape, which seems to favor more finely rendered, surreal tableaux. He is best known for drawings and paintings of imaginary monsters and ghosts, which resonate at a time when some of our collective nightmares feel as if they are coming true.

**Prices:** Drawings start at \$2,000; paintings at \$25,000

**Fun Fact:** Nava shares his studio space with his black cat, Jumanji.

**Up Next:** Nava will be part of a presentation from Night Gallery at the Dallas Art Fair in March. He has a solo exhibition at Sorry We're Closed in September.