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Galerie

6 Standout Artists Discovered at the Dallas Art Fair



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Maureen O'Leary at Cristin Tierney Gallery

Blurring the boundary between figuration and abstraction, Maureen O'Leary paints landscapes, cityscapes, still lifes, and portraits with a lively style of loose brushwork and

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bright colors that beckons back to the Fauvists and German Expressionists. Trained as both a photographer and a painter, the Washington D.C.-born, Long Island and Puerto Rico-based artist utilizes her tightly composed pictures as the point of departure for her painterly visions of a nomadic life. In a solo booth presentation, the gallery offered a group of lyrical canvases from the artist's recent ROMA series. Created during and after her 2022 residency at the American Academy in Rome, the paintings capture the vitality of the Eternal City with flat planes of color and distorted views, which make the ancient capital seem all the more amazing.