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## NEW ONLINE: TODD JAMES and ERIK PARKER

Headful artists

Erik Parker and Todd James are both American artists. While Parker spent his childhood and youth in Texas, James grew up in New York, surrounded by graffiti. Today, the Big Apple is home to both, with Parker living in Brooklyn and James in Manhattan. And it's not only the bridges that connects them. It's their art, too. While they each have their unique style, their works have one notable trait in common: the color palette. And it's that stylistic device that also links them to Peter Saul and KAWS, who helped introduce the two friends. While there is a no official movement that categorizes this quartet of artists, one could be about to emerge: an increasing number of exhibitions are showcasing their work as a group.

We met Parker and James in Madrid during the opening of *KnockKnock*, an exhibition at Galería Javier López that examines the broad influence of cartoon culture on art. And once again, Peter Saul, KAWS, Erik Parker and Todd James are presented as a group among other artists.

## Interview

