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Ones to Watch: The Rising Art Stars of 2019

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These sixteen artists are destined for great things this year, as selected by your trusty Elephant team. Keep your eyes peeled for these future greats (some of whom you may be discovering for the first time, others who are coming off the back of a highly successful 2018)—you're going to be seeing a whole lot more of them in 2019.

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Sculpture/mixed media: Monika Grabuschnigg

The colour pink conjures many things: millennials (of course), romance (the sickly sweet variety) and girls (blue for boys, duh). For Berlin-based Monika Grabuschnigg, the symbolic weight of the colour is key to her baroque, fleshy sculptures made from clay and resin. Questioning our cultural affiliations and the meaning of ornaments, trinkets and souvenirs, she replicates their language through a strange, distorted lens. It is an approach that won her the Berlin Art Prize this year, a major accolade, while she also presented her first solo show in 2018 with Carbon 12 Dubai. Her name will continue to grow internationally in 2019, taking her love totems and perfectly pink ceramics global. (Louise Benson)