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Laura Owens is the most famous amongst a generation of young artists who re-invigorated painting in the 1990s.

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Laura Owens at Camden Arts Centre

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Laura Owens first solo exhibition in a UK public venue opened this week; the LA artist brings a lot of joy with her to C of painting, its history, processes and language. Famous for reinvigorating painting in the 1990s, her solo show features studies on canvas.

The familiar and fantastical sit happily side by side whilst opposing styles and techniques are comfortable next to each other. It is not restricted by being located within a specific time or context rather characters from arts history share the picture borrowed from a different period of arts history, from Chinese ink paintings to the line of Toulouse Lautrec.

The coexistence of styles and techniques is seamless within the picture and the exhibition, she paints with such dexterity, raw daub of paint and a thin black line of paint squeezed straight from a tube. With such confidence does she colour runs into the horizon and a monkey lifted from a Chinese scroll invites a rabbit to join it in its tree.

Owens delights in paintings potential and it is obvious that she enjoys the medium to no end, this joy in possibilities a

paintings position now and in the future.

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