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'Elephant's Artists of the Year 2021, Part 1'  
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Curators, writers and artists choose the creative figures who've excited them the most over the past 12 months



Louise Giovanelli, Plaza, 2021

### Louise Giovanelli

Chosen by [Russell Tovey](#), an English actor, art collector and co-host of the podcast [TalkArt](#): "One of the most exciting exhibitions of the year has been *Mixing It Up: Painting Today* curated by Ralph Rugoff at the [Hayward Gallery](#) where young British painter Louise Giovanelli was a total standout. Her captivating, luminous paintings vibrate. Images that celebrate and harness in-between moments cropped from within filmic pop culture and art-historical references feel totally magnetic and fresh. I've been lucky enough to meet, hang out and share a few pints with Louise, and as well as being a superstar talent she's also a blooming lovely person. Louise Giovanelli is one of our best British artists and definitely one to watch and follow."