

# Frieze

## The Best Exhibitions in Chicago This Weekend

Ahead of the openings of EXPO Chicago and the 2019 Chicago Architecture Biennial, a guide to the most moving, relevant and astonishing shows around town



Gladys Nilsson, *Painting Nature*, 2018, acrylic on canvas, 1.5 × 2 m.  
Courtesy: the artist and Rhona Hoffman Gallery; photograph: Tom Van Eynde

Gladys Nilsson, 'New Work'  
Rhona Hoffman Gallery  
13 September – 26 October

A member of the storied Hairy Who collective, Gladys Nilsson has been painting delightfully distorted human figures in outré colour since the 1960s. The works on display at Rhona Hoffman take classic forms and turn them catawampus. Luxurious backdrops play host to ebullient bodies with limbs like piping bags. Combined with a palette reminiscent of an acid trip, the works are both abstracted and whimsical, a fine reminder of how dynamic this Imagist remains today.

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