

BRIAN M. VIVEROS

California-based artist Brian M. Viveros' hyper-real portraits of cult-worthy heroines draw from the power of the feminine and its reconciliation of vulnerability, beauty and power. His works elevate the iconography of the femme fatale as a powerful emblem of strength and retaliation. His paintings consistently feature doe-eyed beauties with cigarettes or cigars in their lips – always ready for the next fight.

A technical perfectionist, Brian Viveros' oil, airbrush, acrylic, and ink paintings are highly saturated with pigment, luminosity, and depth, while the compositions are poignant and simple. The artist's emphasis tends to be on focal points, such as the eyes, lips, and skin, conveying the subtlety of minute expression and the power of an impaling gaze. The paintings feel cinematic, like haunting stills from a film, owing to their evocative suggestion of narrative and to the iconicity of their subjects. The artist's creative cosmos is beautifully stylized, never derivative, and distinctly recognizable as his own.

Viveros' works have been widely exhibited and celebrated throughout North America and Europe. He has had solo presentations at Art Basel Miami and is part of renowned galleries such as Think-space Gallery.

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