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## Spring Has Sprung! The Artists to Watch This April

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### Painting: Bernhard Buhmann

Drawing on his Masters studies in sociology, Austrian painter [Bernhard Buhmann](#) creates his own interpretations of our technologically-minded world with joyous, abstract paintings that nevertheless leave tell-tale signs of figuration and narrative. In his latest series, on show at **Carbon12 in Dubai** until 1 May, he reimagines classic arcade games using an oil palette devised from the original 216 "web safe" colours, reformatted in smooth, glossy surfaces that ebb and flow between gradients. Despite nods to cubism and the earliest roots of abstraction, Buhmann's works are anything but austere. Somehow his carefully crafted compositions always relay an element of tongue-in-cheek humour, told in a purely graphic form. **(Holly Black)**

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