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See 4 New George Condo Paintings Before They Debut This Weekend

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George Condo's fascination with mimicking, updating, and skewering art historical tropes in portraiture—including Frans Hals, Grand Manner full-lengths, and his own take on Cubist abstraction—has been the bedrock of his career. (Commissions from **Kanye West** aside.) Lately, however, Condo has been reaching deeper into mid-century movements for inspiration, incorporating painterly techniques reminiscent of Pollock and compositional forms that look like Kandinsky from afar. Some of the new paintings echo Willem de Kooning more than his previous ones, and even Condo himself is using the term *action portraits*, a description long associated with Abstract Expressionism. See an exclusive preview of his latest solo show below, then catch it in person when it opens this weekend.

