

THE FACE

6 names to have on your radar this spring

We rounded up some of our favourite up-and-comers across music, film, art and sport. Come see what they have to say for themselves...

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Louis wears jacket, shirt and trousers CARHARTT WIP, shoes AML and scarf stylist's own

Louis Newby, 27, has been obsessed with collecting imagery his entire life. The South East Londoner did his foundation degree at Falmouth University, then fine art at Chelsea College of Arts. He began sticking together archive queer imagery, using vegetable fat Crisco, once used as lube by gay men, as glue: "I wanted an intimacy [with] the images, to make them literally rub up against one another," he says of the collages. Enrolling at Slade School of Art, Louis began collaborating with fellow artist Laila Majid, scanning "the swamps of Pornhub" and eBay for vintage dirty mags, then putting on shows at discerning London galleries. Most eye-poppingly, their efforts spawned *Contact (The Kiss)*, a drawing of a porn still that depicted a rubber hood-wearing gimp in a lip-lock with a figure wearing facial prosthetics: "The video was crazy. But [*Contact*] was actually very tender," he insists.

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