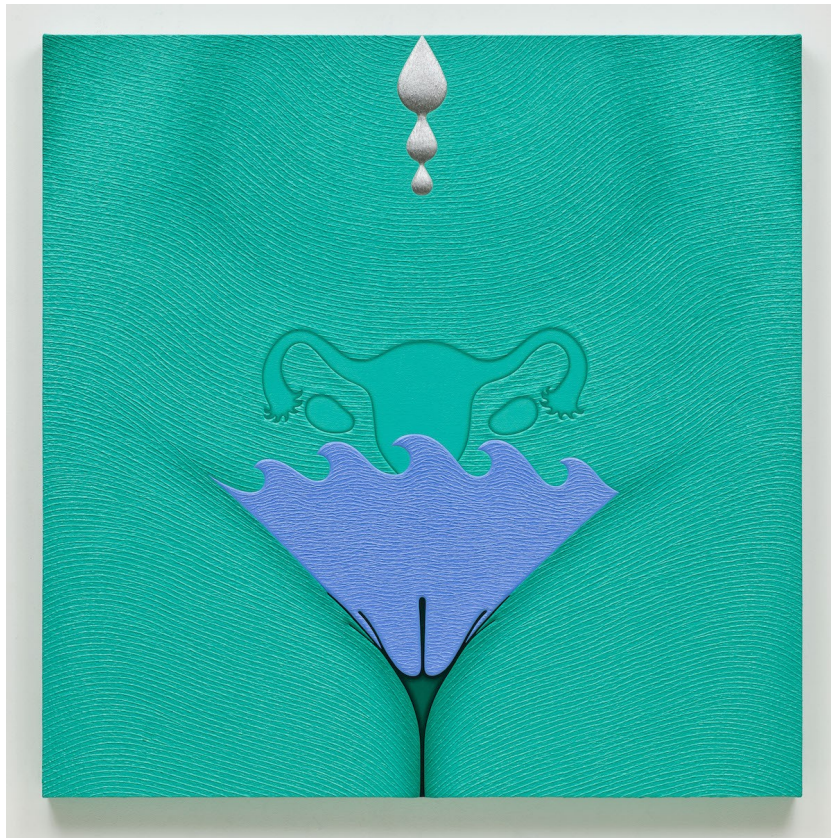


## 5 ART SHOWS YOU SHOULD SEE IN L.A. THIS WEEK

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### **Bearded ladies**

Linda Stark's painting *Fixed Wave* depicts a woman's crotch, but it's so much more than that. The oscillating thin lines of green that make up the skin are precisely placed, curved just right to suggest volume. The blue bush is in the shape of waves, and 3-D silver teardrops fall down from below the not-shown belly button. The only truly smooth, flat part of the painting is the outline of uterus and ovaries emerging out of the blue. This is the only on-canvas work in "Painted Ladies," Stark's current show at Jenny's. The other on-paper works are still just as precise and their perfection makes them funnier than they otherwise would be. Her *Bearded Lady* paintings show gold uteruses against blood red backgrounds. The ovaries are eyes, and pharaoh's beards hang down, perfectly shaped, reproductive organs virtuosically turned into a regal caricature. 4220 Sunset Blvd., Silver Lake; through Feb. 25. (323) 741-8237, [jennys.us](http://jennys.us)