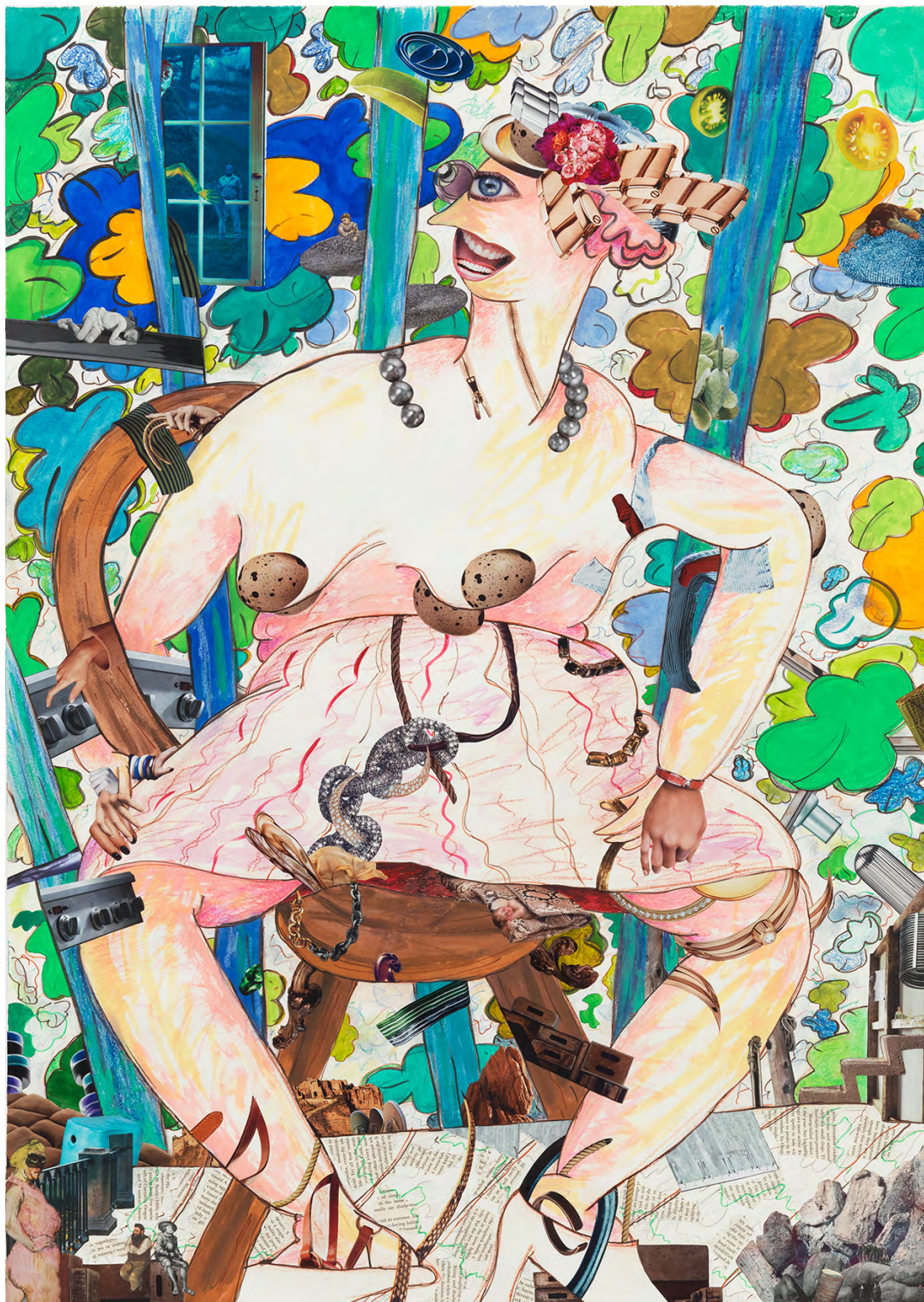


# 15 Badass Art World Heroines Over 70 Years Old

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They came. They created. They conquered.

The following 15 women defeated the odds, inscribing their names in art history and forever changing its course. And what's crazier is the fact that they kept doing it, over and over again, probably for longer than you've been alive. Behold, the art world heroines who inspire us more than we can accurately express. Also, they're all working and exhibiting at over 70 years old. Because, as Judy Chicago aptly explained to us, "Artists don't retire."



*A Girl in the Arbor #3*, 2013, Mixed media on paper, 41 1/2 x 29 3/4 inches

## 11. Gladys Nilsson

"I'm an everyday person. I think in terms of just surviving the day on a personal level, rather than the solving of world problems. I just can't do that. Other people can do that on a grand scale. For me, because I know how hard people work, celebrating little victories is as important as a peace treaty being signed."

**Medium:** Painting, collage

**Style:** Balloonish cartoons rapidly proliferating

**Birthday:** 1940

**Superpower:** A core member of Chicago's "Hairy Who?" movement in the 1960s, Nilsson has continued to churn out her signature brand of feminine chaos, depicting fantastical ladies in domestic scenarios who just can't be contained.