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"Artists on Our Radar" is a monthly series produced by the Artsy team. Utilizing our art expertise and access to Artsy data, each month, we highlight five artists who have our attention. To make our selections, we've determined which artists made an impact this past month through new gallery representation, exhibitions, auctions, art fairs, or fresh works on Artsy.

Emma Safir

B. 1990, New York. Lives and works in New York.



Emma Safir
After Rosie Lee Tompkins, 2021
Pentimenti Gallery



Emma Safir
Stretch II, 2021
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While completing an MFA in painting and printmaking at Yale, artist Emma Safir developed a complex artistic language of lush textures and disorienting patterns and prints. By masterfully manipulating textiles through weaving, stitching, scrunching, and pleating, Safir creates mesmerizing works that play with illusion and materiality, mimicking the appearance of digital glitches and moiré patterns.



Emma Safir
Stretch I, 2021
Pentimenti Gallery



Emma Safir
Stretch III, 2021
Pentimenti Gallery

Just a few months out of graduate school, Safir has already been included in a flurry of exhibitions. In June, her work was featured in a group show curated by David Zwirner director Ebony L. Haynes at Lyles & King in New York. Titled "In Praise of Shadows," the exhibition was a revisited iteration of Safir's thesis show at Yale. Safir also received a solo show at New York's Shin Haus last month, and currently has her work featured as part of Pentimenti Gallery's presentation for Philadelphia's 20/20 Photo Festival alongside pieces by MiMi Jung and Melissa Joseph.

—Shannon Lee