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## 50 of America's top creatives, photographed by Inez & Vinoodh

Photographed exclusively for Wallpaper\* by Inez & Vinoodh, we present a portfolio of 50 creatives driving the current discourse on American culture and its dynamic evolution

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Photographed by [Inez & Vinoodh](#), we present an exclusive portfolio, celebrating 50 exceptional individuals driving the current discourse on American culture and its dynamic, creative evolution. Unrivalled at what they do and impassioned by their disciplines, some are instantly recognisable and some are not. But whether they are icons, change-makers or cultural renegades, all are creative American voices at the forefront of their field.

### 27. Ales Ortuzar, art dealer



(Image credit: Inez & Vinoodh)

Ales Ortuzar's gallery, Ortuzar Projects, recently moved into a new space triple the size of its original Tribeca location. His hunch that focusing on international 20th- and 21st-century artists overlooked in the US could be of interest to institutions trying to diversify their collections proved to be a stroke of genius. Launched with a show dedicated to French abstract painter Michel Parmentier, his gallery looks after a roster of 14 now-sought-after artists.

[ortuzarprojects.com](http://ortuzarprojects.com)

### 39. Takako Yamaguchi, artist



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There has been a recent surge in interest in the 72-year-old Takako Yamaguchi, with her paintings appearing in high-profile sales at Christie's and Sotheby's, and at the latest Whitney Biennial. Her practice merges geometric shapes and nature-inspired patterns to create works that stand out for their precision, elaborate details and stylised form, referencing Japanese printmaking as well as art nouveau and deco styles.