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**David Rappeneau creates drawings of spatially distorted, hyper-sexualized drawings of young men and women that are both surrealist and documentarian at once.**

"The work of David Rappeneau, like the artist's own biography, is laconic. Absent from language, Rappeneau's drawings activate the potential for more complex communication, albeit in a more opaque form. Rappeneau's drawings can be characterized by the use of ballpoint pen, fluorescent marker, thin acrylic paint, and by spatially distorted, hyper-sexualized drawings of young men and women, often in the process of smoking cigarettes, taking pills, using their laptops, or looking at their phones. The artist's approach to drawing is surrealist and documentarian at once, illuminating youth culture in a stylized manner reminiscent of graphic novels and anime."

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