

# Nine for 2009

Which artists look set to have a bright year ahead of them? We asked nine curators, tutors and art experts to select the ones to watch and take inspiration from in 2009. Words: **Steve Pill**



## *Sarah Graham*

When the Daily Mail also tipped Edinburgh-born artist Sarah Graham at the end of last year, they drew attention to her "blue-blood background" and paternal links to the Duke of Montrose. It takes more than good breeding to produce her stunning, large-scale botanical illustrations, though. Following the great success of her solo show at the Sims Reed Gallery, her work will be shortly seen in New York at the Works On Paper Fair, and at Grosvenor House in June.

[www.grahamgallery.co.uk](http://www.grahamgallery.co.uk)

**Jonathan Cooper:** "Sarah's work is very bold and exciting, pushing the boundaries of botanical art in a modern contemporary way. She demonstrates great confidence in her use of line and choice of subject matter, with a very good understanding of colour – all qualities that I look out for in a young and upcoming artist."

Jonathan Cooper is managing director of London's Park Walk Gallery.

*Drawn to Nature* by botanical artist Helga Crouch will be on display at the gallery from 4-14 March. [www.jonathancooper.co.uk](http://www.jonathancooper.co.uk)



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