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Katherine Bradford, Girl Friends, 2022. Image courtesy of the artist and kaufmann repetto.

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It's high time that Katherine Bradford gets her due. The artist straddles abstraction and figuration to sublime, color-soaked effect: her subjects are often faceless swimmers that serve as metaphors for issues around gender and universal humanity, but she's also taken on UFOs, naked superheroes, Philip Gustonesque avatars, and more. With an upcoming solo exhibition at the Frye Art Museum traveling from the Portland Museum of Maine, the artist is finally receiving market recognition, too. Girl Friends, 2022, which depicts three young, girlish figures holding each other by the shoulders as if for metaphysical support, sold quickly on Tuesday for \$90,000.