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# Say it with clay

Potters have always told stories to get fired up about. What are they telling us today?



David kills goliatha, 2015, by Katy Stubbs



David wished he could be more like arnie, 2015, by Katy Stubbs

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Brixton-based [Katy Stubbs](#) creates garish and gruesome flights of fiction and fantasy. “The first ceramics I made were four plates telling the story of ‘David and Goliatha,’” she says, “about a man who wanted to have sex with this giant woman, but ends up killing her.” A series created for a recent show at London’s [Lyndsey Ingram](#) gallery tells the “story of a

magician who has dressed up as a cowboy to trick a girl into going on a date”; it runs across multiple pieces, and incorporates a subplot about a lobster planning to avenge the deaths of his restaurant tank-mates. She smiles: “But he ends up being eaten anyway.” Comedy or tragedy, it’s wonderfully off the wall.