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These Artists Want You to Know That ‘Abortion Is Normal’

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On May 14 last year, the Alabama Senate [passed a bill that effectively banned all abortions in the state](#) and criminalized the procedure. The next day, a curator named Jasmine Wahi texted her friend and collaborator, visual artist Marilyn Minter. The message, Wahi said, was simple: “We gotta do something.” [...]

Famed photographer Cindy Sherman, who often takes on fictional characters for her self-portraits, portrays a middle-class woman in a LeAnn Rimes T-shirt, clutching her stomach and staring off as if lost in a memory, bathed in an ominous shadow. [...]

Among the protest art and nude portraiture—or both, as the case may be with Nadine Faraj’s watercolors of topless women, bodies painted with “My Pussy, My Rules”—is perhaps the most titillating piece of all, [Christen Clifford’s](#) “I Want Your Blood.” The feminist performing artist displayed 25 shelves stocked with vintage glass perfume bottles, all filled with menstrual waste. [...]

Abortion Is Normal is at [Eva Presenhuber](#) until January 18. It will run at [Arsenal Contemporary](#) from January 21-February 1.

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