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Hugo McCloud, *Untitled*, 2020. Photo courtesy of Sean Kelly Gallery.

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While quarantining in his studio in Mexico, the self-taught artist Hugo McCloud found inspiration through virtual means. Stuck inside and reading the news, he saw photographs of laborers carting heavy goods and migrants crossing choppy waters. These images were springboards for the works in the exhibition "Burdened," which he says is "about the idea of the person that is burdened in life, trying to survive, or make ends meet." To discuss his latest project, a Zoom conversation with Sean Kelly will address the artist's new technique—to astonishing effect, each work is a collage of small pigmented pieces cut from single-use plastic bags—as well as the ways in which McCloud subverts the very media representations that inspired this project. —C.J.F.

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