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**Kura Shomali: Drawing Now, Paris**

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**KURA SHOMALI** is one of the artists participating in the event ‘Drawing Now’ presented in several galleries in Paris until March 29. He will be in the exhibition of the Magnin-A Gallery.

Untitled, 2014.

**About:**

Born in 1979 in Kananga, Democratic Republic of Congo.  
Lives and works in Kinsahasa.



Portrait, 2013.

Shomali describes his work as a way of ‘digesting’ the megalopolis of Kinshasa, Democratic Republic of Congo. In his most recent works, the artist appropriates well-known images by African photographers such as Seydou Keita, Samuel Fosso, Sammy Baloji, Malick Sidibe and Depara. Shomali combines charcoal, ballpoint pen, gouache, ink, felt, glitter and collage to give these works a unique texture. His works have a sense of urgency, inspired by the chaos of daily life and imagery from the advertising, newspapers and magazines that make up Kinshasa’s street culture.



Bella, 2013.

Shomali's recent exhibitions include African Stories at Museum of Marrakech, Morocco, and JapanCongo: Works from the Pigozzi Collection at Magasin Grenoble, France. Several works will be included in the Saatchi Gallery's upcoming exhibition of works on paper.



1921, 2013.



Untitled, 2012.

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