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## Daniel Baumann's 10 Best of 2012

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**RICHARD PHILLIPS** (GAGOSIAN GALLERY, NEW YORK) This is the Pop art I love. Its cold distance is touching, its obvious affection troubling. Large-scale paintings and films of porn star Sasha Grey, model Adriana Lima, and actor Lindsay Lohan bring back what pop is really about. Mass culture is a mess, a threat, an unpleasant thing, and Phillips dives in without fear.

9. Below: Richard Phillips,  
*Sasha II*, 2012, oil on  
canvas, 7' x 12' 6 $\frac{3}{8}$ ".

