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AA Bronson makes ArtLyst's 2022 'Alt Power 100'

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AA Bronson (courtesy Twitter)

The British art information website ArtLyst has named Toronto-based artist AA Bronson to its 'Alt Power 100' list for 2022.

The annual compilation acknowledges artists and curators from around the world who work to "enrich our communities."

Bronson was a member of General Idea, an artist collective that also included Felix Partz and Jorge Zontal. They produced over 100 solo exhibitions, countless group shows and public art projects focused on themes related to queer theory and AIDS activism, amongst others.

ArtLyst cited the <u>retrospective</u> last year at the National Gallery of Canada for General Idea, active from 1969 until 1994, when both Partz and Zontal died of AIDS.

The exhibition, which Bronson played a key role in organizing, explored the group's 25-year history as it evolved from humble beginnings producing videos, photos, posters and mail art to its later days of tackling the AIDS crisis through paintings, sculptures and installations.

ArtLyst also included Bronson on its 2021 list for <u>Video Virus</u>, a three-minute video based on *Imagevirus* posters from the 1980s. It was broadcast on a London billboard for World AIDS Day.

The 2022 list's top choice was British artist Sonia Boyce, who won the 2022 Venice Biennale's Golden Lion for her multimedia work *Feeling Her Way*. Boyce was the first Black woman to represent Britain in Venice.