# **LARRY JOHNSON**

## **BORN**

1959 Long Beach, CA

Lives and works in Los Angeles, CA

## **EDUCATION**

1984	MFA, California Institute of the Arts, Valencia, CA
1982	BFA, California Institute of the Arts, Valencia, CA

## **SOLO EXHIBITIONS**

2025	Project Room, 303 Gallery, New York, NY
2024	Art Show, with Hedi El Kholti, Gaga & Reena Spaulings, Los Angeles, CA
2019	Larry Johnson & Asha Schechter, Jenny's, Los Angeles, CA
2017	Larry Johnson, Works from the 80's and 90's, Kimmerich Gallery, Berlin, Germany
2015	Larry Johnson: On Location, Raven Row, London, England
2010	Larry Johnson's Hits from the 80s, Patrick Painter Inc., Santa Monica, CA Frame Tales, Marc Jancou Contemporary, New York, NY
2009	Hammer Museum, Los Angeles, CA
2007	Patrick Painter Inc., Santa Monica, CA Marc Jancou Contemporary, New York, NY
2001	New Photographs, Cohan, Leslie & Browne, New York, NY
2000	The Thinking Man's Judy Garland and Other Works, Patrick Painter Inc., Santa Monica, CA Modern Art Inc., London, England
1998	Margo Leavin Gallery, Los Angeles, CA I-20 Gallery, New York, NY Galerie Daniel Buchholz, Cologne, Germany

1996	Morris and Helen Belkin Art Gallery, The University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada
1995	Margo Leavin Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
1994	Margo Leavin Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
1992	Rudiger Shottle, Paris, France Patrick de Brok Gallery, Knokke, Belgium
1991	303 Gallery, New York, NY Rena Bransten Gallery, San Francisco, CA Johnen & Schottle, Cologne, Germany
1990	303 Gallery, New York, NY Galerie Isabella Kacprzak, Cologne, Germany Stuart Regen Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
1989	303 Gallery, New York, NY
1987	303 Gallery, New York, NY Galerie Isabella Kacprzak, Stuttgart, Germany Kuhlenschmidt/Simon Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
1986	303 Gallery, New York, NY

## **GROUP EXHIBITIONS**

2025	Drawing, Painting, Sculpture, Photography, Film, Video, Sound, Ringier Collection 1995-2025, Langen Foundation, Neuss, Germany Eden: An Experimental Group Art Happening & Benefit for the Trans Latina Coalition, curated by Emily Lucid and Matthew Brannon, Last Projects, Los Angeles, CA A Rrose By Any Other Name, Hans Goodrich, Chicago, IL
2024	Tabula Rasa, Paula Cooper Gallery, New York, NY
2023	SOME TREES, The Floating Gallery, Los Angeles, CA 20, David Kordansky Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
2022	Sexkino Roland, Kino Roland, Zurich, Switzerland Alex Bag, Art Club 2000, Daniela Rossell, Larry Johnson, Gaga & Reena Spaulings, Los Angeles, CA
2021	Winter of Discontent, 303 Gallery, New York, NY

The Going Away Present, Kristina Kite Gallery, Los Angeles, CA 2020 Made in L.A. 2020: a version, Hammer Museum, Los Angeles, CA The Sewers of Mars, Reena Spaulings Fine Art, New York, NY Restless Index, curated by Kelly Akashi and Cayetano Ferrer, Tanya Bonakdar Gallery, Los Angeles, CA four corners of the landscape, House of Gaga/Reena Spaulings Fine Art, Los Angeles, CA 2019 Avengers: Someone Left the Cake Out In the Rain, Reena Spaulings Fine Art, Los Angeles, CA Queer Forms, Katherine E. Nash Gallery at the University of Minnesota, MN The Foundation of the Museum: MOCA's Collection, curated by Bennett Simpson with Rebecca Lowery, Museum of Contemporary Art, Los Angeles, CA 303 Gallery: 35 Years, New York, NY A Midsummer Night's Dream, Le Case d'Arte, Milan, Italy 2018 say ahh... Larry Johnson, Sister Corita Kent, Adam Stamp, Indipendenza, Rome, Italy Brand New: Art and Commodity in the 1980s, Hirshhorn, Washington D.C. 2017 Top Five Buddy Cop Films, Steve Turner, Los Angeles, CA 2016 MAMCO, Geneva, Switzerland Urban Space Odyssey, Patrick Painter, Santa Monica, CA 2015 Popular Images, Karma, Amagansett, NY Walkers: Hollywood Afterlifes in Art and Artifact, Museum of the Moving Image, New York, NY Collecting Lines: Drawings from the Ringier Collection, Villa Flora Winterthur, Winterthur, Switzerland 2014 In the Crack of the Dawn, POOL at Luma/Westbau, Zurich, Switzerland Machinery for Living, organized by Walead Beshty, Petzel, New York, NY Damage Control: Art and Destruction Since 1950, Mudam Luxembourg, Luxembourg New Pop: Illustrated Americana, Marc Jancou Contemporary, New York, NY 2013 Le Regard du bèque, Mamco - Musée d'art moderne et contemporain, Genève, Geneva, Switzerland Damage Control: Art and Destruction Since 1950, Hirshhorn Museum and Sculpture Garden, Washington, D.C. 2012 "The Perfect Show", 303 Gallery, New York, NY 25 Years of Talent, Marianne Boesky Gallery, New York, NY Arctic Summer, Margo Leavin Gallery, Los Angeles, CA Don't the Sun Look Angry at Me, Royale Projects, Los Angeles, CA

2010	How Many Billboards?, Art in Stead, MAK Center for Art and Architecture at the Schindler House, Los Angeles, CA Rive Gauche/Rive Droite, Marc Jancou Contemporary, New York, NY The Last Newspaper, The New Museum, New York, NY
2009	Geography of the Imagination, Lead Apron, Los Angeles, CA Collection: MOCA's First Thirty Years, The Museum of Contemporary Art, Los Angeles, CA
2008	Endless Summer, Glendale College Art Gallery, Glendale, CA Heroes and Villains, Marc Jancou Contemporary, New York, NY Idle Youth, Gladstone Gallery, New York, NY
2007	Good Morning, Midnight, Casey Kaplan Gallery, New York, NY L.A. Desire, Galerie Dennis Kimmerich, Dusseldorf, Germany
2006	Kunst aus Los Angeles der 60er bis 90er Jahre, Kunstverein Braunschweig e.V., Braunschweig, Germany Hiding in the Light, Mary Boone Gallery, New York, NY
2005	Interstate, Nicole Klagsbrun Gallery, New York, NY
2004	Sign Language, Museum of Contemporary Art, Los Angeles, CA 100 Artists See God, organized by Independent Curators International; Naples Museum of Art, Naples, FL. The Jewish Museum, San Francisco, CA .Laguna Art Museum, Laguna Beach, CA.Memorial Art Gallery, University of Rochester, NY. Institute of Contemporary Arts, London, England.Contemporary Art Center of Virginia, Virginia Beach, VA.Albright College Freedman Art Gallery, Reading, PA.Cheekwood Museum of Art, Nashville, TN.
2003	Ishtar, Midway Contemporary Art, St. Paul, MN Unreal Estate Opportunities, PKM Gallery, Seoul, South Korea
2002	Mirror Image, UCLA Hammer Museum, Los Angeles, CA Summer Reading, Gagosian Gallery, Los Angeles, CA 23rd Annual Benefit Art Auction, Los Angeles Contemporary Exhibitions, Los Angeles, CA
2001	The Slide Area, James Van Damme Gallery, Brussels, Belgium
2000	The Big G Stands for Goodness: Corita Kent's 1960s Pop Exhibition Tour, Luckman Gallery, California State University, Los Angeles, Los Angeles, CA; Nora Eccles Harrison Museum of Art, Utah State University, Logan, UT; Donna Beam Fine Arts Gallery, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, Las Vegas, NV; Art

Gallery, The University of Texas at San Antonio, San Antonio, TX; Beaver College Art Gallery, Arcadia University, Glenside, PA 1998 Sunshine & Noir. Art in L.A. 1960-1997, Castello di Rivoli, Museo d'Arte Contemporanea, Rivoli, Italy; Armand Hammer Museum of Art and Cultural Center, Los Angeles, CA 1997 Sunshine & Noir. Art in L.A. 1960-1997. Louisiana Museum of Modern Art. Humblebek, Denmark; Kunstmuseum Wolfsburg, Wolfsburg, Germany 1996 Jay Gorney Modern Art, New York, NY Just Past: The Contemporary in MOCA's Permanent Collection, 1975-96, The Museum of Contemporary Art, Los Angeles, CA SAMPLER 2—More Videos from Southern California, David Zwirner Gallery, New York, NY Larry Johnson / Allen Ruppersberg, Margo Leavin Gallery, Los Angeles, CA Jay Gorney Modern Art, New York, NY 1995 25 Years: An Exhibition of Selected Works, Margo Leavin Gallery, Los Angeles About Place: Recent Art of the Americas, The Art Institute of Chicago, IL In a Different Light: Visual Culture, Sexual Identity, Queer Practice, University Art Museum, University of California, Berkeley, CA Narcissistic Disturbance, Otis College of Art and Design, Los Angeles, CA New Testament, Marc Foxx Gallery, Santa Monica, CA Untitled (Reading Room), Margo Leavin Gallery, Los Angeles, CA Word for Word, Beaver College Art Gallery, Arcadia University, Glenside, PA 1994 Group Show: Dan Graham, Jeff Wall, Rodney Graham, Lincoln Tobier, Larry Johnson, Jack Hanley Gallery, San Francisco, CA In the Field: Landscape in Recent Photography, Margo Leavin Gallery, Los Angeles, CA Los Angeles Mind Quakes: Breda Fotografica '94, Museum de Beyerd, Breda, The Netherlands Love in the Ruins: Art and the Inspiration of L.A., Long Beach Museum of Art, Long Beach, CA Romance, Alyce de Roulet Williamson Gallery, Art Center College of Design, Pasadena, CA Benefit for Dennis Cooper's "Frisk", Thomas Solomon's Garage, Los Angeles, CA 1993 The Language of Art (Die Sprache der Kunst), Kunsthalle, Vienna, Austria; Kunstverein, Frankfurt, Germany Legend in My Living Room, Rhona Hoffman Gallery, Chicago, IL Object Bodies, Emison Art Center, DePauw University, Greencastle, IN; Turman Art Gallery, Indiana State University, Terre Haute, IN

Painter Editions, Johnen & Schottle, Cologne, Germany Standing Still and Walking in Los Angeles, Gagosian Gallery, Beverly Hills, CA

1992 Bedroom Pictures, Asher/Faure, Los Angeles, CA
Group Drawing Show, Stuart Regen Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
Hollywood, Hollywood, Art Center College of Design, Pasadena, CA
Lust for Life, Otis Art Institute of Parsons School of Design, Los Angeles, CA
There Is a Light that Never Goes Out, Amy Lipton Gallery, New York, NY
True Stories: Mark Dion, Renee Green, Larry Johnson, Karen Kilimnik, Raymond
Pettibon, Jack Pierson, Jim Shaw, Institute for Contemporary Art, London.
Voyage to Los Angeles, Castello di Rivera, Italy

1991

1991 Biennial, Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, NY
Ausenraum-Innenstadt, Sprengel Museum, Hannover, Germany
Matthew Barney, Michael Joaquin Grey, Larry Johnson, Liz Larner, Richard
Prince, Thomas Ruff, Rosemarie Trockel, Meg Webster, Lawrence Weiner,
Stuart Regen Gallery, Los Angeles, CA
A Dialogue about Recent American and European Photography, The Museum of
Contemporary Art, Los Angeles, CA
Just What Is It That Makes Today's Homes So Different, So Appealing?, The
Hyde Collection, Glen Falls, NY
New Work by Gallery Artists, 303 Gallery, New York, NY
Words & #s, Museum of Contemporary Art, Wright State University, Dayton, OH
Vero, Vero, Le Case D'Arte, Milan, Italy

De Afstandt, Witte de With Center for Contemporary Art, Rotterdam; Le Case D'Arte, Milan, Italy

The Charade of Mastery: Deciphering Modernism in Contemporary Art, Whitney Museum of American Art, Downtown at Federal Reserve Plaza, New York, NY Constructive Anger, Barbara Krakow Gallery, Boston, MA

Drinking and Driving, Cleveland Center for Contemporary Art, Cleveland, OH

The Indomitable Spirit, International Center of Photography, New York, NY; Los Angeles Municipal Art Gallery, Los Angeles, CA

The Köln Show, various galleries, Cologne, Germany

Landscape as Stage, Locks Gallery, Philadelphia, PA

Language in Art, The Aldrich Museum of Contemporary Art, Ridgefield, CT

Word as Image: American Art, 1960-1990, Milwaukee Art Museum, Milwaukee, WI; Oklahoma City Art Museum, Oklahoma City, OK; Contemporary Arts

Museum Houston, Houston, TX

The Young and the Restless: Vanguard Artists from the Current SoHo Scene, The Sales and Rental Gallery, The Baltimore Museum of Art, Baltimore, MD

1989 Art About AIDS, Freedman Gallery, Albright College, Reading, PA
Beyond Family of Man, Northeastern University Art Gallery, Boston, MA
David Bussel, Nan Goldin, Larry Johnson, American Fine Arts Co., New York

California Photography: Remaking Make-Believe, The Museum of Modern Art, New York, NY; Aspen Art Museum, Aspen, CO; University Art Gallery, University of New Hampshire, Durham, NH; Grand Rapids Art Museum, Grand Rapids, MI; Virginia Beach Center for the Arts, Virginia Beach, VA

Departure, Hirschl & Adler Modern, New York, NY

Erotophobia, Simon Watson Gallery, New York, NY

A Forest of Signs: Art in the Crisis of Representation, The Museum of

Contemporary Art, Los Angeles, CA

A Good Read: The Book as Metaphor, Barbara Toll Fine Arts, New York, NY Image World: Art and Media Culture, Whitney Museum of American Art, New York, NY

The Photography of Invention: American Pictures of the 1980s, National Museum of American Art, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, DC; Museum of Contemporary Art Chicago, Chicago, IL

To Probe and Push: Artists of Provocation, Wessel-O'Connor Ltd., New York

1988 Aperto 88, XLIII Esposizione Internazionale d'Arte, La Biennale di Venezia, Venice, Italy

Christoph Andres, Larry Johnson, Ken Lum, Hans-Jorg Mayger, Harald F. Muller, David Robbins, Galerie Daniel Buchholz, Cologne, Germany

A Drawing Show, Cable Gallery, New York, NY

*Information as Ornament*, Feature Gallery and Suzanne Rezac Gallery, Chicago, IL

Larry Johnson, Liz Larner, Charles Ray, 303 Gallery, New York, NY Modes of Address: 25 Years of Language in Art, Whitney Museum of American Art, Downtown at Federal Reserve Plaza, New York, NY Wilma Tolksdorf Gallery, Hamburg, Germany

Utopia Post Utopia: Configurations of Nature and Culture in Recent Sculpture and Photography, Institute of Contemporary Art, Boston, MA

1987 Around and About, Galerie Hufkens/Noirhomme, Brussels, Belgium
CalArts: Skeptical Belief(s), The Renaissance Society, The University of
Chicago, Chicago, IL; Newport Harbor Art Museum, Newport Beach, CA

The Castle, Documenta 8, Kassel, Germany

Contemporary Diptych: Divided Vision, Whitney Museum of American Art,

Stamford, CT; Equitable Center, New York, NY

Galerie Christoph Dürr, Munich, Germany

The Image in Singular, Amer Galerie, Vienna, Austria

Industrial Icons, San Diego State University, San Diego, CA

Larry Johnson, Tony Tasset, Christopher Wool, Kuhlenschmidt/Simon Gallery, Los Angeles, CA

New Photo, Feature Gallery, Chicago, IL

The New Who's Who, Hoffman/Borman Gallery, Santa Monica, CA

New York-Wien, Fotogalerie Wien, Vienna, Austria

On View, New Museum of Contemporary Art, New York, NY

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Perverted by Language, Hillwood Art Museum, C.W. Post Campus, Long Island

University, Brookville, NY

Photographs, Annina Nosei Gallery, New York, NY

The Spectre of Saturation, McIntosh/Drysdale Gallery, Washington D.C., DC

1986 Cable Gallery, New York, NY

Stephen Frailey, Larry Johnson, New Strategies, Los Angeles, CA

P, 303 Gallery, New York, NY

Uplifted Atmosphere, Borrowed Tastes, Hallwalls Contemporary Arts Center,

Buffalo, NY

1985 James Casebere, Larry Johnson, Jeff Koons, 303 Gallery, New York, NY

Proof and Perjury, Los Angeles Institute of Contemporary Art, Los Angeles, CA

Synaesthetics, P.S. 1, Long Island City, NY

1984 Three Artists Select Three Artists, Artists Space, New York, NY

#### **PROJECTS**

2004 The Last Of The Blood And Guts Brigade, Daniel Mendel-Black, Mark Roeder,

Sixteen:One, Santa Monica, CA (organized by Larry Johnson)

1995-1996 Dark Memories Hovering Below the Transparent Screen of the Present will

Project Images of Reality in Sharp Silhouette to Create the Pleasurable Effect of a Double World, Marc Foxx Gallery, Santa Monica, CA (organized by Larry

Johnson)

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2016 Durbin, Andrew and Richard Hawkins, "Against Message," Mousse, #53 April,

pp. 280-289

Williams, Maxwell, "Bret Easton Ellis and Alex Israel Ague, Make Art and Argue

Some More," W Magazine, Online, March 1

2015 Cernuschi, Stephano, "Larry Johnson: Commie Pinko Guy," Mousse, October -

November, p. 194

Smith, Duncan, "Larry Johnson: Commie Pinko Guy," Little Joe, November, pp.

220-221

Noble, Kathy "Larry Johnson, Raven Ro", Artforum, p.315-316

Koestenbaum, Wayne "Commie Pinko Guy", Koenig Books

Capps, Emma, "On Location With Larry Johnson" *Art Collector*, Online, July 15 Hawkins, Alex, "Larry Johnson's LA mash-up of Pop Art", *It's Nice That*, Online,

July 16

Pellin, Ananda, "Larry Johnson: On Location" *Time Out London*: Art, Online, July 2014 Codognato, Mario, "HE: The Hergott Shepard Photography Collection", p. 90-91 Marple, Mieke, "Our Favorite Non-Speculative Artists," FlashArtOnline.com, February 24 Berlant, Lauren; Edelman, Lee "Sex, or The Unbearable (2013)", Artfourm, Online, January 30 Wender, Jessie, "September preview: Elad Lassry", The New Yorker, August 28th 2013 Kennedy, Randy, "Picture this, embellished" The New York Times, September 6th Gilothwest, Beryl, "The photographic problem: An interview with Elad Lassry", Art in America Magazine, September 11th D. Crehan, "New York – Elad Lassry at 303 Gallery trough Ocrtober 26th, 2013", Artobserved, October 1st 2011 Crow, Thomas, Perchuk, Andrew, Tuchman, Maurice, Subotnick, Ali, Winer, Helene, Baldessari, John, Gamboa Jr., Harry and Larner, Liz, "L.A. Stories: A Roundtable Discussion," Moderated by Richard Meyer and Michelle Kuo, Artforum, October 2011, 240-249 2010 Hawkins, Richard, "Best of 2010: Larry Johnson (Marc Jancou Contemporary, New York)," Artforum, December 2010 Berger, Doris, "Larry Johnson," X-TRA, Winter 2010, Volume 12, Number 2, cover. Jancou, Marc, ed., Rive Gauche/Rive Droite, Zurich: JRP|Ringier, 2010 2009 Hawkins, Richard, "The Artists' Artists: Larry Johnson (Hammer Museum, Los Angeles)," Artforum, December 2009 Berardini, Andrew, "Larry Johnson," ArtReview, Issue 35, October 2009 Myers, Terry R., "Larry Johnson," The Brooklyn Rail, September 2009 Schad, Ed, "Life with Me, This is Me, Me She Wrote," ArtSlant, August 2009 Drohojowska-Philp, Hunter, "Dark Star," Artnet, July 9, 2009 Knight, Christopher, "Art Review: 'Larry Johnson' at UCLA Hammer Museum," LATimes.com, June 30, 3009 Lehrer-Graiwer, "Previews: Larry Johnson," Artforum.com, May 1, 2009 Hainley, Bruce, "The Prime of Mister Larry Johnson," Artforum, May 2009, cover, pp. 176-183 Griffin, Tim, "Artifacts," Artforum, May 2009 Ferguson, Russell, Larry Johnson, Munich: Hammer Museum, DelMonico Books, an imprint of Prestel Publishing, 2009 2008 Lapinski, Lisa, "The Artists' Artists: Larry Johnson (Patrick Painter, Los Angeles)," Artforum, December 2008 Taft, Catherine, "Larry Johnson," *Modern Painters*, March 2008, p. 83

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2005	Smith, Roberta, "Art In Review: Interstate," <i>The New York Times</i> , Septeber 16, 2005
2003	Indiana, Gary, "Postmortem: 'Artforum,' Roland Barthes, and Me," <i>ArtUS</i> , Inaugural Issue, November-December 2003, pp. 20-22
2001	Cohen, Michael, "Larry Johnson," <i>Flash Art</i> , Number 219, July-September 2001, p. 120
2000	Hainley, Bruce, "Larry Johnson," <i>Artforum</i> , May 2000, p. 182 Darling, Michael, "Larry Johnson," <i>Frieze</i> , Issue 52, May 2000, pp. 102-103 Rickels, Lawrence, "Larry Johnson: Patrick Painter, Santa Monica," <i>Artext</i> , Number 69, May-July 2000, p. 96
1999	Myers, Terry R., "Larry Johnson: We were never being boring," <i>art/text</i> , Number 64, February-April 1999, pp. 52-57
1998	Myers, Terry R., "Larry Johnson," On Paper 2, Number 6, July-August 1998, pp. 48-49 Gonzales-Day, Ken, "Larry Johnson at Margo Leavin," <i>Art Issues</i> , Issue 53, Summer 1998, p. 39 Baltin, Brian, "Larry Johnson at Margo Leavin," <i>LA Weekly</i> , March 19, 1998
1996	Watson Scott, ed., <i>Larry Johnson</i> , essays by Gary Indiana, Lawrence A. Rickels and Scott Watson, Vancouver: Morris and Helen Belkin Art Gallery, The University of British Columbia, 1996 Smith, Roberta, "Art In Review," <i>The New York Times</i> , January 26, 1996
1994	Cohen, Michael, "Larry Johnson," <i>Flash Art</i> , Volume 27, Number 177, Summer 1994, p. 126 Whitney, Kay, "Sentimental Journey: Larry Johnson at Margo Leavin Gallery," <i>Artweek</i> , Number 25, May 5, 1994, p. 26 Hickey, Dave, "Larry Johnson's malicious muzak," <i>Frieze</i> , Issue 14, January-February 1994, pp. 30-35
1993	Cohen, Michael, "The City Without Organs: Flux Fantasy in Five L.A. Artists," Flash Art, Number 169, March-April 1993, pp. 67-70
1991	Johnson, Larry, "Untitled (It Could Make Tonight the Best Part of Your Day)," <i>Paris Review</i> , Number 119, Summer 1991, pp. 171-177 Myers, Terry R., "Hard Copy: The Sincerely Fraudulent Photographs of Larry Johnson," <i>Arts Magazine</i> , Issue 65, Summer 1991, pp. 40-45

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Rimanelli, David, "Larry Johnson: Highlights of Concentrated Camp," *Flash Art*, Number 155, November-December 1990, pp. 121-123
Liu, Catherine, "Larry Johnson," *Artforum*, September 1990, pp. 160-161
Myers, Terry R., "Larry Johnson," *Tema Celeste*, Number 26, July-October 1990, p. 68
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Decter, Joshua, "Larry Johnson," Arts Magazine, Issue 63, April 1989, pp. 102-103
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Harrison, Katharine, "Larry Johnson," Flash Art, Number 145, March-April 1989, pp. 115-116

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