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## Signs of unrest: protest fantasies of Chitra Ganesh

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All the world's a stage and all the men and women merely protesters. So Will Shakespeare might quip about our current drive to occupy, activate, disrupt and revolutionize. Brooklyn artist Chitra Ganesh digs into that restless spirit while invoking Hindu deities and tapping a raw vein of pop surrealism in "Protest Fantasies" at Gallery Wendi Norris. Her "Pussy Riot" pieces together the punk upsetters with faux flower petals, glitter and glass shards to create a modern-day Kali.

The plugged-in gaze nails it in "Double Vision," as polished talons radiate around a camerawoman in a crystal ball. The revolution may be televised after all, yet Ganesh's rude, crude icons seem to cry out for more: say, a world worthy of their massive manga tears and budding unicorn horns.

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Chitra Ganesh: Protest Fantasies: 11 a.m.-6 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday. Through Oct. 31.  
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