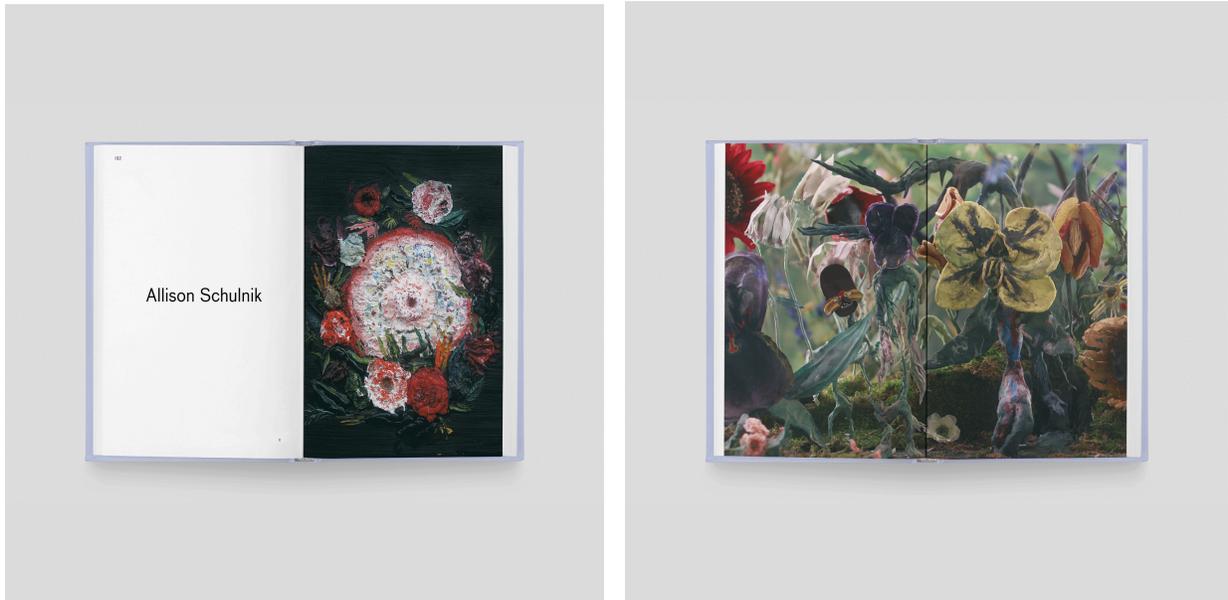


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Have you ever been caught off guard by creepy little pansy faces looking back at you from someone's front garden? Same! And it's not just us, 30 artists have explored the personalities of plant life for a new art book, to creepy/beautiful effect.

Photographer Ren Hang submerges his typical NSFW figure in a pond of lily pads, Misha Hollenbach, one half of P.A.M., brings abstract lines into still life and Friedrich Kunath paints sad faces and smilies on wilting flowers, all strongly suggesting that if plants had personalities they'd be total weirdos.

The other 27 artists submitted everything from mixed-media collages and sculpture to film stills and tattoo art, with interviews and articles published beside each of their work.

"The aim of *Strange Plants II* is to continue the compelling conversations about how we perceive and interpret both the bizarre and beautiful sides of art and nature," editor Zio Baritoux says.