Let My People Show

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Da Puppy Code:

If Awol Erizku's 2009 photo Lady with a Pitbull looks familiar, maybe that's because she reminds you of another famous lady in art history holding a cuddly (yet suggestive) creatiure—Leonardo Da Vinci's Lady With An Ermine, his 1496portrait of the teenaged mistress of Duke Ludovico Sforza, Cecilia Gallerani. The photo is part of the Ethiopa-born artist's upcoming show at Hasted Kraeutler, featuring models he found on the street and online who sat for him in poses reminiscent of the Old Masters.

Courtesy of the artist & Hasted Kraeutler, NYC.