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### Don't get fresh with Betty

Sushi chefs diced thick hunks of tuna on the bar at Happy Ending on 19 April at the Marlborough Contemporary dinner. But if fish was on the menu, cock was the subject of discussion: the smashed chickens artist Julius von Bismarck had had to smuggle through customs



**Betty Tompkins**

and, well, the other kind. "My collectors are committed," said the artist Betty Tompkins, 71, of her large-scale genitalia and coitus drawings. "One of the first pieces that I sold, a cow cunt painting, belongs to a family in Tribeca. When they bought it they had three children under nine. And I thought: 'Well, this oughta be interesting'. Had working so closely with the subject affected her own sex life at all? "No."