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The best New York art exhibitions: from Bruce Nauman to Gillian Wearing

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In the 20th century, New York cemented itself as the home of Abstract Expressionism and subversive Pop Art. These days, the city is a canvas for a new school of artists pushing the boundaries of media and holding social justice as their primary message. World-renowned institutions such as MoMA, The Metropolitan Museum Of Art, and the Guggenheim continue to draw tourists and art aficionados in equal measure, and leading commercial galleries such as Gagosian, Hauser & Wirth, Pace, Perrotin and David Zwirner all occupy vast square footage, some with multiple locations.

Manhattan's art fairs – The Armory Show, Frieze and Independent among them – have become much-anticipated annual fixtures in the art calendar. After a hiatus of in-person art experiences, New York City is 'back', and proving that it remains a powerhouse of creativity, originality, commerce, and connection.

Exhibition: 'Late Night Enterprise'

Location: Perrotin

Dates: Until 19 February 2022



After dark activities is the focus of a new group show at Perrotin's New York outpost. A dominatrix heel emerges with a stingray in a work by the late Breyer P-Orridge wryly titled Shoe Horn. Elsewhere is Sophie Calle's black and white Sleepers photographic sequence, Richard Kennedy's 15 feet-high acrylic painted net 'blankets' and Charlie Le Mindu's hair sculpture. Kayode Ojo's suspended disco ball and cast-off clothes speak to pleasure, ecstasy, fetish, pulsating nightlife, underground clubs, and the associated economies, in contrast to our comparatively pedestrian daily lives.