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Your Concise New York Art Guide for Spring 2020

Your list of must-see, fun, insightful, and very New York art events this season.

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Jordan Casteel, "Charles" (2016), oil on canvas, 78 x 60 inches (image courtesy Casey Kaplan, New York)

Happy spring! Each season, New York’s art community consistently offers a range of exciting exhibitions, performances, film series, and other arts and cultural events. Even in spite of — or perhaps partly in response to — a tumultuous political landscape, this spring is no exception. As the national census begins and presidential primaries loom large, now is a time to harness the power of art to make us reexamine the world around us.

Focusing on museums, nonprofits, art house cinemas, and galleries, we’ve gathered a list of some of the events we’re most looking forward to this season. As the city continues to change around us — sometimes in ways we wish it wouldn’t — we hope you’ll take every chance to stop and smell the proverbial roses by attending some of the very programs and events that make this city a place we’re proud to call home.

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Betty Parsons: Heated Sky

When: February 26–April 4

Where: Alexander Gray Associates (510 West 26th Street, Chelsea, Manhattan)

Betty Parsons is best known as a New York City art dealer who played a key role in promoting Abstract Expressionism in the 1940s and 1950s when she represented Barnett Newman, Jackson Pollock, Mark Rothko, and Clyfford Still. However, Parsons’s passion for art also manifested her own abstract painting practice, which is on view in Alexander Gray’s second solo show of her work.