

## Best of 2014: Our Top 20 NYC Art Shows That Weren't in Brooklyn

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Let's face it: there's Brooklyn, and then there's the rest of New York City. (Sorry, rest of New York City!) While the former holds a special place in our hearts, we readily acknowledge that the city's other boroughs have tons of art to offer. So, for this list, we've expanded from a top 10 to 20, taking in galleries in Chelsea and the Lower East Side, museums all over, and even an adventure on the East River. We wouldn't say this list is exhaustive (exhausting, maybe), but it's a brief inventory of what we saw and loved this year.



At Sam Durant's 'Invisible Surrealists' (photo Hrag Vartanian/Hyperallergic)

### Honorable Mention

#### ***Shamus Clisset: Space God/Magic Guy at Postmasters***



Installation view of "Space God/Magic Guy" (via Postmasters)

September 6–October 11

*To encounter Shamus Clisset's digital universe rendered in an impressively large format is like looking through a window at a parallel universe. The high-resolution images appeared to be directly in dialogue with the history of painting — particularly portraiture — and lingered on the meanings and limitations of representing American masculinity. It is hard to find an artist who can examine masculinity these days without reducing their art to a testosterone-infused mess of bro-titude, but Clisset does it effortlessly. —HV*