

# VENUS MANHATTAN

Everitt, David. "Baby it's cold outside-David Everitt Howe picks four shows to see in New York in February." *Art Review*, February 2014.

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### Baby it's cold outside:

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Charles Harlan, *Ishtar*, courtesy Venus Over Manhattan, New York

### Charles Harlan, *Ishtar*, Venus Over Manhattan, 12 February – 22 March

Adept at making the most ordinary, industrial materials into striking statements about collective cultural values – such as bathroom counters and vinyl siding taken thrillingly out of context – Charles Harlan is taking over avant-garde, Upper East Side hotspot Venus Over Manhattan (a geographical paradox, if ever there was one), where visitors will be greeted by a ten-foot, roll-down gate, before being forced to navigate a claustrophobic passageway formed from an ‘endless wall of corrugated steel’, as Harlan puts it. Together, they’ll form an urban environment gone ominously awry.