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## 12 Must-See Gallery Shows on the Upper East Side During Auction Week

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### **10. Mike Kelley "Kandors" at Venus Over Manhattan**

**Location:** 980 Madison Avenue

The "Kandors" represent yet another vital part of Kelley's extensive output. The series takes its name from the capital city of the fictional planet Krypton, where Superman was born. According to the superhero's legend, a villain shrank and bottled the city of Kandor in a bell jar-like container, just before Krypton's explosive demise. Superman captures the miniature city and stores it safely in his secret hideaway, the Fortress of Solitude. The artist once said the scaled-down city "functions as a constant reminder of Superman's past," as well as "a metaphor for his alienated relationship to the planet he now occupies." The show features four "Kandors" and related light boxes and projections.

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