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Plus, an insider's etiquette guide on gallery do's and don'ts.

[Manhattan](#)'s arts scene can feel overwhelming—even to New Yorkers. With so many options, it can be hard to know where to start; which neighborhood? [Which galleries](#)? That's why Condé Nast Traveler asked NYC-based abstract artist [Debra Ramsay](#), an insider with her own solo show at [57W57thArts](#) through June 9 (think: abstract paintings of formal, contained lines, and a sprawling installation that looks like gigantic ribbon candy) to share her picks for the season's don't-miss exhibitions. The result? A curated five-stop art stroll through the Upper East Side and Chelsea that can be knocked out over a leisurely afternoon this summer.



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A work from Andy Warhol: Little Electric Chairs, showing at Venus Over Manhattan.

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Must-See Exhibit: Andy Warhol: Little Electric Chairs, running May 2-June 25; Gallery hours: Tuesday through Saturday, 10a.m.-6p.m. Warhol fans, rejoice. "Just stepping into this gallery is a theatrical experience," says Ramsay. "It's gigantic, cavernous, and dimly lit—such an appropriate setting for Warhol's work." The show itself includes 18 paintings from Warhol's Death and Disaster series, which Ramsay says, "examined the exploitation of tragic imagery, and how the public can become desensitized to it with enough repetition." Warhol began creating the paintings in 1963, around the same time that the press began publishing more graphic images. Case in point: "The electric chairs are from a news wire photograph of the Rosenberg execution," says Ramsay.