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Six Transporting Exhibitions of Works by Black Artists to See This Month

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Across the country, and particularly in New York, a series of exhibitions is drawing further attention to immensely talented Black artists and designers this month. Admittedly, numerous other shows of the same caliber closed just before the start of February (as was the case with gallery exhibitions on Theaster Gates, Martin Puryear, Benny Andrews, and Frederick Weston). Others still are on the horizon. (Think spring shows at the Whitney on Dawoud Bey and Julie Mehretu, as well as the renewed access to Mehretu's monumental painting Howl that will become available once SFMOMA reopens.) Below, we highlight six exhibitions that have caught our eye, all of which are focused on architecture or fine art. That said, other shows that merit a visit during Black History Month undoubtedly abound.

"Reggie Burrows Hodges" at Karma Gallery

The people-oriented paintings of Reggie Burrows Hodges possess the ability to draw in even the casual bystander. Now, thanks to an exhibition at Karma, Manhattanites will have the opportunity to see this artist's works up close. For his New York debut, Hodges presents a series of canvases that are as rich in color as they are in substance.

On view through February 28, 2021