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The New York Art Shows You Need to See Right Now Be sure to catch these December exhibitions, from Jeff Koons to Jean Tinguely

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Between Art Basel Miami Beach taking over the art-world airwaves at the beginning of December, and the holiday season dominating the end, it's easy to get distracted and forget that the New York gallery scene is still up and running. Whether you are looking to buy a last-minute gift for a very important someone, or hoping to absorb some culture before vegging out until 2016, there is still plenty worth seeing at these New York art venues before the end of the year.

"Jeff Koons: Gazing Ball Paintings," Gagosian Gallery, through December 23

It wouldn't be the holiday season without a bit of luster—and Jeff Koons offers plenty. For his latest show at Gagosian Gallery, the provocateur has re-created a series of iconic paintings by artists such as El Greco, Courbet, and Manet and placed a polished blue gazing ball in front of each. Standing before the works, viewers will see their own reflection in the ornament-like orb, as well as the reflection of the surrounding room and the painting behind, uniting painting, sculpture, and audience into one single shiny ball. Pictured is Gazing Ball (van Gogh Wheatfield with Crows), 2015. gagosian.com