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In New York City for the Holidays? 5 Must-See Art Exhibitions to Get You Cultured ASAP

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To all the New Yorkers out there complaining about not going anywhere for the holidays, now's the time to embrace the ubiquitous "staycation" that summons all of us at some point or another. Yeah, yeah, going to St. Barth's must be nice and all, but, to be quite frank, so does the idea of not having to schlep through an airport, TSA PreCheck or not. Before you find yourself in a huff, dreading the cold misery that is upon us, look to the bright side, now you can seize all of that extra time at home to catch up on some of the more cultural things you probably didn't get around to all fall.

Family in town? Museums and galleries are the perfect activity with your family in tow. And good timing, too, because there are several impressive exhibitions out there to see. One tip: Start with galleries, as their season tends to end just before Christmas, and then pick up museum hopping toward the second half of your vacation leg. Here, five must-see museum and gallery exhibitions in New York over the holidays. "His work has this quality that is very boundary-defying," Thuring continues. "It's quite unconventional in certain ways, but it's also very rooted in art history and the history of painting, especially."

What: "Andreas Gursky: Not Abstract II"

Where: Gagosian 522 West 21st Street New York, NY 10011 Closing: December 23, 2016

Why it's worth seeing: Former Düsseldorf student and German photographer Andreas Gursky displays some recent photographs capturing landscapes of what he is most known for—crowds, products, and cities—all accompanied by a sound installation by Canadian DJ Richie Hawtin.