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Bill Viola, Tracey Emin, Walter de Maria, and More Must See London Shows

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Walter De Maria. Idea to Action to Object. 2019. Installation View. Artwork © Estate of Walter De Maria. Photo by Lucy Dawkins. Courtesy of Gagosian.

This week, our eyes have been on London for Fashion Week. Between the shows, we suggest setting aside time for these not-to-miss exhibitions at some of London’s top museums and galleries.

Walter de Maria: Idea to Action to Object
Gagosian Gallery
Now—March 9

“Idea to Action to Object” is a presentation of works by the late Walter de Maria featuring more than 40 drawings on paper and a selection of related sculptures. Displayed to the public for the first time, the sketches reveal ideas for unrealized projects and philosophical ponderings, while sharing a tenderly human side of de Maria. Included in the exhibition are preparatory drawings for projects like Olympic Mountain Project, with plans to drill a 400-foot shaft through a mountain of rubble from World War II for the 1972 Olympic games.