

# FORT GANSEVOORT

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## VULTURE

### Fall Preview 2024

10 Art Shows We Can't Wait to See This Fall

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Yvonne Wells, *Crazy Quilt*, 2017, Assorted fabrics, 73.25 x 55 inches.  
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A gust of fresh air is blowing through the art world. A brand-new outfit called Ruby/Dakota has opened on the supercool strip of East 2nd Street. A whole new scene has formed around 56 Henry's two gallery spaces in Chinatown, and solo shows there by Laurie Simmons and Richard Tinkler promise to scintillate. Just north of the Whitney, Fort Gansevoort Gallery regularly showcases undiscovered artists, including, in September, 84-year-old quilt-maker extraordinaire Yvonne Wells. A gaggle of established artists are also exhibiting — Kara Walker, Simone Leigh, Nick Cave, and the still under-known Denzil Forrester among them. And the museums will have their fair share of thrilling exhibitions, too: The Whitney will feature American national treasure Alvin Ailey, MoMA will peer deep into its own brilliant bellybutton in a show about the woman who helped make the museum, and the Brooklyn Museum will give us an enormous show of artists based in its borough.

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Yvonne Wells, *African-American Squares*, 1994, Assorted fabrics, 78.25 × 105 inches.  
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## **Beyond Patchwork: The Abstractions of Yvonne Wells** **Fort Gansevoort, opens 9/19**

Prepare to have your retinas tickled by the figurative quilts of Wells, who in this show pivots to the abstract, from a queasy whorl of stained fabric fragments to a tablecloth her church used during Thanksgiving.