



The best contemporary paintings now on view in NYC art galleries

This month, galleries in New York are offering a cornucopia of artists and styles in contemporary painting

Painting is dead, people used to say, but that was never the case. Judging by the plethora of [painting exhibitions](#) currently on view in the city, the medium is certainly alive and kicking, more so than ever. Not only that, it's everywhere: [Uptown](#), Downtown, Midtown and in a panoply of styles from figurative to [abstract](#). To celebrate [contemporary painting's](#) vitality and currency, we offer this tour d'horizon of must-see shows.



6th Order Magic Square for the Beast, 2015

Who: Xylor Jane, midcareer California artist What: Paint-by-numbers meets Op Art in these numerical images, some of which are rendered as thickly textured aggregations of dots or lines. The result suggests a cross between Alfred Jensen and a Lite-Brite board. Where: Canada, through June 7