

The Can't-Miss Gallery Shows Opening in Tribeca This Week



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Jonathan Lyndon Chase, 'City of Beauty', 2023.
Photo : Courtesy of the artist and Company Gallery, New York.

Philadelphia-based multidisciplinary artist Jonathan Lyndon Chase excels at reimagining domestic environments—the barbershop, laundromat, and bedroom—as refuges for queer Black people. “I’m not saying that anyone’s excluded, but my audience is my own people,” Lyndon Chase told ARTnews in 2021. “I want them to feel seen.” In his first institutional solo exhibition in New York, titled “his beard is soft, my hands are empty”, the passion behind this purpose is felt. Moving through the ground floor of Artists Space, visitors will find canvases, drawings, and soft sculptures that, when treated as parts of a sum, make obvious that we are being trusted with private wishes and regrets. As part of the show, Chase will transform the exterior of the building into the facade barbershop, “complete with its tri-colored barber pole,” says the gallery.