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New York's 11 most beautiful public art shows for spring



Alice Aycock, *Hoop---La (Park Avenue Paper Chase)* (2014).
The sculpture is currently installed at 53rd street on Park Avenue. Photo: Dave Rittinger.
Courtesy Galerie Thomas Schulte and Fine Art Partners, Berlin, Germany

In spite of countless false starts and snowy regressions, it is technically spring in New York now (really!), and it is therefore open season for public art. The city's parks are quickly filling with public art as outdoor exhibitions open in Manhattan, Brooklyn, and Queens. From a reclining giant in Queens and a deconstructed duplicate of the Statue of Liberty strewn between Brooklyn and Manhattan, to sculptures commemorating outmoded technologies on the High Line and in Madison Square Park, there's something for everyone in every area of the city this spring.

[Alice Aycock on Park Avenue](#), Midtown, Manhattan (through July 20)

Of all the artists to have graced the grassy medians along Park Avenue over the years, none seems quite so well-suited to the traffic-clogged, capital-filled canyon of modernist steel-and-glass towers as Alice Aycock. Her swirling, tumbling, fanning, and craning structures made from painted aluminum function all-too-perfectly as sculptural representations of urban chaos.