

The Lookout: A Weekly Guide to Shows You Won't Want to Miss

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With an ever-growing number of galleries scattered around New York, it's easy to feel overwhelmed. Where to begin? Here at A.i.A., we are always on the hunt for clever, memorable shows that stand out in a crowded field. Every Thursday, we'll post the 10 shows our team of editors can't stop talking about.

This week we check out paintings, sculptures and devotional objects of Vishnu at the Brooklyn Museum; subtly sparkly woven panels by the Dutch artist Willem do Rooij at Friedrich Petzel; and escapist paintings and videos that take you away Bridgehampton and the South China Sea at Stephan Stoyanov.

"Places" at Stephan Stoyanov, through Aug. 12

A refreshing summer group show on the theme of refreshing summer places you can't afford to visit. There's Lauder Bowden's finely etched interior of an elegant dining room in Bridgehampton and Patricia Cronin's shimmering photorealist paintings of gorgeous country estates she's copied from Sotheby's real estate catalogues. In the darkened basement, one can drift far away from the sweltering Lower East Side via Diana Shpungin's video of faraway seascapes.



Patricia Cronin: \$15,000,000 (Southampton), 2001, oil on linen, 9 x 11 inches. In "Places." Courtesy Stephan Stoyanov.