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# HISTORY

The Meatpacking District started as a residential area in the 1800s, but as residents escaped to the main city to avoid the epidemics, it slowly developed into an area filled with factories and markets, producing and selling meat as well as other products, earning the district its current name. Towards the 1980s however, the meatpacking district met its decline and transformed into an area for drugs, prostitution, and criminal activity. In attempt to gentrify the area in the beginning of the 21st century, high-end retailers, museums, and galleries came, making it one of the most fashionable and artistic neighborhoods in New York City. Though no longer an unpleasant district, the area became an expensive, chaotic, and crowded tourist site where meatpacking still existed.

**01** Blank Space

**02** The Whitney Museum

**03** Allouche Gallery

**04** Lumas

**05** Street Art

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# B l a n k S p a c e

Situated on Gansevoort Street in New York, Blank Space Gallery is home to a variety of contemporary exhibitions produced by worldwide visual artists. Established in 2009, Blank Space is a clothing store once entered, however further inside, four white walls with exceptional artworks would be discovered. The gallery is currently exhibiting the works of South Korean artist Kyu-Hak Lee as his first solo exhibition in New York. This collection features reinterpretations of Vincent Van Gogh's masterpieces using a special technique of mixed-media mosaic using magazine wrappe polystyrene foam or styrofoam strips as building blocks of his paintings, which are later covered with a layer of traditional handmade Korean paper, imitating Van Gogh's distinctive brushstrokes.

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# The Whitney

The Whitney Museum of American Art is the distinguished institution devoted to the art of America. It holds a wide range of contemporary twentieth-century American art, especially focusing their collection on living artists. The museum is keen on collecting, preserving, interpreting, and exhibiting American art, arguably making it the finest owner of contemporary American art in the world. It was firstly established in 1914 by Mrs. Whitney, however it has now developed into one of the world's most known museums. The newest building located between the High Line and the Hudson River designed by architect Renzo Piano, now provides the most extensive view of its unmatched collection of modern American art.

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# Allouche Gallery

Allouche Gallery was established in 2014. It holds a global collection by some of the world's most popular and culturally relevant contemporary visual artists. The gallery is mostly famous for highlighting both established and rising and street artists whose artworks challenge defined ideas of modern visual culture. Allouche Gallery is one of New York's finest commercial art galleries.

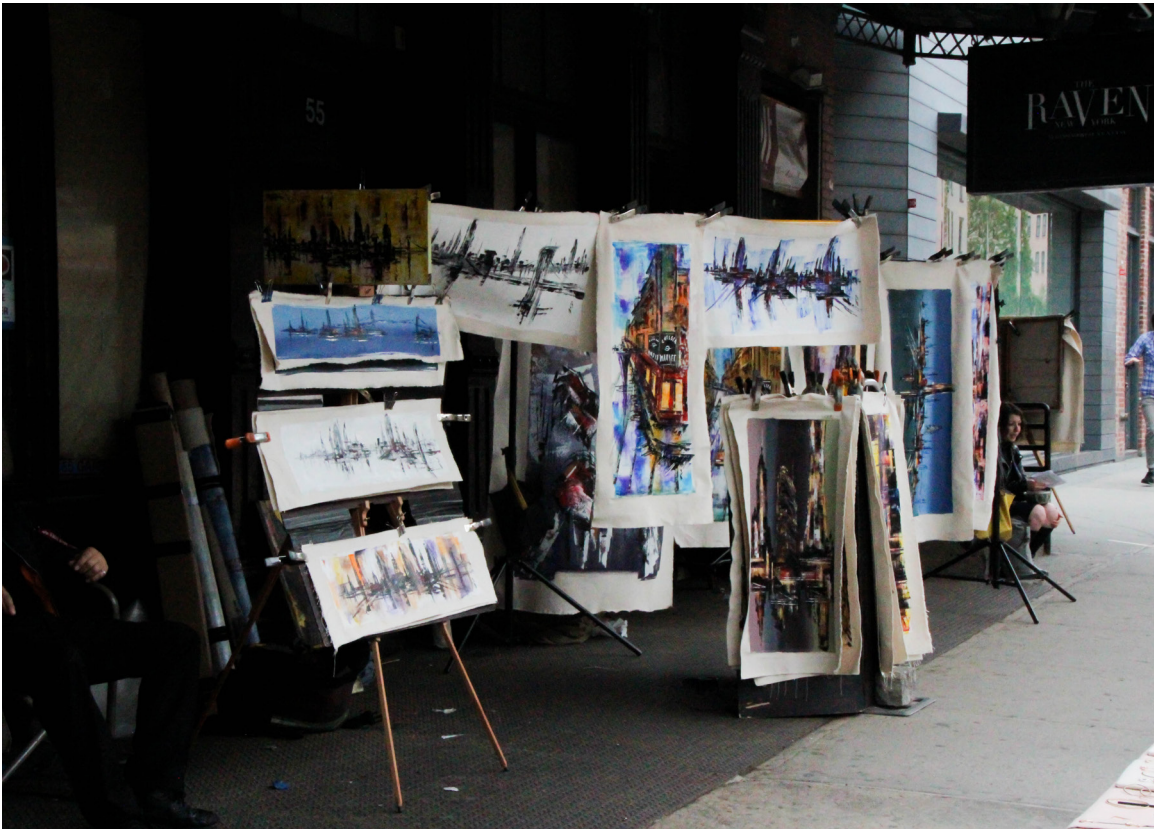
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## L u m a s

Lumas Gallery opened the door to the world of art photography. "A world that is black-and-white and colorful, surprising and magical, lively and inspiring." Over the years, Lumas has established a diverse and stimulating collection including more than 3,000 artworks produced by around 250 established and rising artists, along with historical and modern pieces chosen from selective archives. They aim at offering the highest quality and most exquisite photo art, at more reasonable prices, making art affordable for everybody.

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# Street Art

One aspect that makes The Meatpacking District as lively and cultured as it is, is the impressive street art that can be found almost around every corner. A large amount of artists choose to display their works on the streets of the District. Their works consist of a wide range of visual art that vary from pop art to contemporary works. Usually street artists tend to attract the people passing by with bold, as well as controversial, political and social messages.

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### DOWN

**01** What used to be the Meatpacking District's main product?

**02** What is the name of the architect who designed the latest building of the Whitney Museum?

**03** What restaurant was created based on a promise made at sea?

**04** What is Diane Von Fürstenberg mostly recognized for in the fashion industry?

**05** Where did Fig&Olive originated from?

### ACROSS

**06** What is one aspect that makes the Meatpacking District as lively and cultured as it is?

**07** Which clothing brand was named after a French novel?

**08** What is Rag&Bone's signature clothing?

**09** What is the Meatpacking District most known for?

**10** Which artist is Kyu-Hak Lee inspired by in his exhibition at the Blank Space Gallery?

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