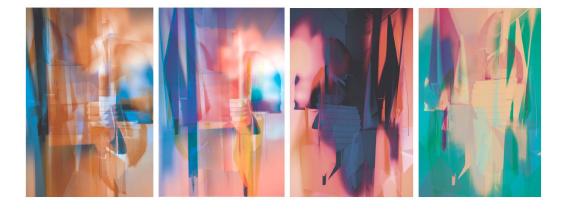
9 Must-See Shows in New York This March

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Yamini Nayar

Thomas Erben Gallery, 526 West 26th Street, Floor 4

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Artist Yamini Nayar works at the intersection of sculpture and photography, creating works that interrogate architecture and space. Nayar's process begins by constructing sculptures from various materials, including plaster, paperboard, and primarily wood. She then photographs her forms. The resulting images are delicate architectural scenes with stunning complexity.

In her current show, "Three Spaces for Time," Nayar incorporates new elements into her work. The images on view are rooted in Nayar's process of working from black-and-white film negatives and using tri-color separation, a method that allows the artist to turn black-and-white film into color. For one prominent piece, *Messenger* (2020), Nayar layered the negatives and used the color-creating technique to develop a swirl of deep purples and pinks. The mesmerizing illusions evoke an almost multidimensional perspective of fan-like shapes; the layers of the sculpture create hazy silhouettes in the frame.