

12 Things to Do in New York's Art World Before February 26

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Hew Locke, *The Wine Dark Sea, W*, 2016. Courtesy Edward Tyler Nahem Fine Art, New York

Opening: “Hew Locke: The Wine Dark Sea” at Edward Tyler Nahem Fine Art

An Anglo-Guyanese artist who's well known for work dealing with issues of race and colonialism, Hew Locke makes his New York solo debut with an installation of 35 boat sculptures suspended at various scales from the gallery's ceiling like a magnificent fleet. Titled after Homer's description of the Mediterranean in *The Odyssey* and Derek Walcott's reuse of the phrase to portray the Caribbean in his poem *Omeros*, the vessels in “The Wine Dark Sea” represent the hopes and dreams of immigrants trying to reach new lands and the gloom of refugees being lost at sea, as well as the memories of exodus and displacement that people around the world endure.

[Edward Tyler Nahem Fine Art, 37 West 57 Street, New York, 6-8 p.m.](#)