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Mathieu Mercier, *Untitled (Diamant) MM028 (2015)*. Courtesy of Denis Gardarin Gallery.

What a joy to be in New York City in May! Forget scarfs, hats, and gloves, and welcome to cherry blossoms, picnics in the park, and art fairs. Starting with Spring Masters New York, Art Miami New York, and NADA Art Fair, among others, the main event is, without a doubt, Frieze New York! The fourth edition of the fair will feature over 190 world-leading galleries, hosted in a structure overlooking the East River in Randall's Island Park starting on May 14. And how better to anticipate the upcoming fairs than by visiting some of the most exciting galleries and museums in the city before the big rush. Trying to see all of them can be like trying to solve the mystery of Mona Lisa....impossible. Don't worry, we've got your back.

Ending soon, make sure to stop by Galerie Lelong – New York to view the colorful paintings on display for the first solo exhibition by Etel Adnan, well known for her use of a variety of media. You always wanted to blend art and food? Peter Anton did it for you. "The Foodhist Temple" exhibition at UNIX Gallery celebrates food and life, and questions the concept of necessity and desire through his monumental sculptures. Another original concept will be on view starting May 13, curated by the Denis Gardarin Gallery: Mathieu Mercier is presenting seven new paintings from his iconic "Diamond" series at the James A. Farley Post Office, as part of the gallery's effort to display shows in unconventional venues.

Continue your journey at David Zwirner, with recent paintings and pastels by Lisa Yuskavage, whose artworks merge popular culture and a deep engagement with art history. In addition, Marianne Boesky Gallery offers two exhibitions: new sculptures by Jessica Jackson Hutchins and paintings, watercolors, drawings, collages, and objects by the Surrealist artist Dorothea Tanning.

If you want to explore more established artists, don't miss "Gilbert & George: The Early Years" at the MoMA, featuring two large-scale charcoal-on-paper sculptures, alongside other ephemeral materials and video works. And if you're a flower lover, visit the Met, which will display four paintings by Vincent van Gogh for the first time since the Dutch master's death.

Just like a sporting competition, a warm-up is essential, but this time, everybody wins!

Exhibition: "Mathieu Mercier: diamants 2015 at Skylight at Moynihan Station" (curated by Denis Gardarin Gallery)

When: May 13–May 16, 2015

Where: Skylight at Moynihan Station in the James A. Farley Post Office, 421 8th Ave between 31st and 33rd St, New York, NY