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Your Concise New York Art Guide for December 2021

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Your list of must-see, fun, insightful, and very New York art events this month.

Arthur Simms: And I Say, Brother Had A Very Good Day, One Halo



Installation view, *Arthur Simms: And I Say, Brother Had A Very Good Day, One Halo*, Martos Gallery, New York, 2021 (courtesy of the artist and Martos Gallery; photo by Charles Benton)

When: through December 23

Where: Martos Gallery (41 Elizabeth Street, Chinatown, Manhattan)

Jamaica-born, New York-based artist Arthur Simms presents three decades' worth of drawing and sculpture engaging with his longstanding exploration of his diasporic identity as well as his work at the intersection of folk art, craft, and art history. Found object assemblages feature twine or wire lattices that wrap and bind disparate items including roller skates, rocking horses, feathers, and, in the case of one piece inspired by Willem de Kooning and Marcel Duchamp, two bicycles with a vintage toilet; relatively two-dimensional works cobble together materials including tinfoil, photographs, hair, and acetate.