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10 Galleries to Visit Now on the Upper East Side

Anton Kern Gallery is exhibiting new work by Anne Collier, including “Woman Crying (Comic) #5,” left, and “Tear (Comic) #1.” Anton Kern Gallery
ANTON KERN through May 19; 16 East 55th Street, antonkerngallery.com.
Last year, Anton Kern moved from a ground-floor gallery in Chelsea to this elegantly updated townhouse on 55th Street. The space, markedly more vertical, is currently filled with photographs by Anne Collier, an artist who injects the mass-media appropriations of the Pictures generation with emotion and gender politics. Her “Crying Women” series, for instance, depicts subjects you would not see in magazine advertisements: They’re having minor (or perhaps major) meltdowns. Here, she also plays off Roy Lichtenstein’s paintings. Photographing images of crying women from early-1960s comic books, with tears dripping from their sexy lashes, she turns them into formal fodder, mixing the lugubrious with the languorous.