

# nyc art scene

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**“Outer Limits”  
Deborah Brown**

[Lesley Heller Workspace](#), 54 Orchard St., NYC

Deborah Brown’s paintings are inspired by the industrial landscape of Bushwick, the location of the artist’s studio, where car salvage lots, cement factories, and scrap metal yards are common sights. For several years Brown has depicted this subject matter through a sci-fi lens that magnified the strangeness of a world where crushed cars are stacked like ziggurats and all human presence has been removed. In *Outer Limits*, the artist revisits the realm of science fiction but departs from objective reality toward abstraction and anthropomorphism. The paintings depict the human head as a vessel for the organic, the kinetic, and the chaotic, some drawn from portraits in the canon of art history, others inspired by characters from literature.

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