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Best in Show

Recommendations by R.C. Baker

Kevin Landers

For the last 17 years, Landers has taken his camera to New York's streets, where he's found widely varied inspiration: panhandlers' ratty change cups, a sidewalk grate choked with cigarette butts and clotted gum, women insouciantly flashing crotches and breasts in parks and laundromats. In an increasingly homogenized city that shoves life's messiness behind a smug facade of glass and steel, Landers's tautly composed shot of a broom sweeping through brown sludge reveals the human stain in all its glory. Elizabeth

Dee, 545 W 20th, 212-924-7545. Through May 7.