

NEW YORK ENTERTAINMENT

John Byam

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Andrew Edlin Gallery
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Profile

Never before viewed in New York City, and barely exhibited anywhere, these wee, captivating wood carvings include sprinkles of sawdust, other detritus, paint, and ink, and depict stairs, caskets, ladders, and furniture. They're made by an upstate visionary named John Byam who operates under that absurd label "outsider artist." He's an artist, period, and continues to make art as he approaches his 84th birthday. — Jerry Saltz