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ART

JERRY SALTZ

[Alix Pearlstein](#)



Production Still, Talent.

Critics' Pick

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Profile

After her underrated Kitchen show last year, video artist extraordinaire Alix Pearlstein has returned, this time with two wonderfully arty evocations of *A Chorus Line*. A highly regimented, all-over-the-place cast of ten professional actors lines up to do strange things before the lens: holding up head shots, acting sexy, standing around for a camera that methodically pans back and forth. In the background, the artist is ever present in a mirror, giving instruction or just watching. She's a voyeur, a woman behind the man, Manet in the mirror, and an artist extending Nauman and her own vision, all at once. — Jerry Saltz