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Goings on About Town

Art: Galleries - Uptown

"POPCENTRIC"

The art in this show is the kind of amped-up kitsch that would make fantastic club décor (note John Armleder's live flowers planted in giant tires), but fails to achieve the trippy edge to which it apparently aspires. Christian Lemmerz's gold-leaf figurine of Osama bin Laden as Jesus and photographs of Leona Helmsley printed on gold foil by Dimitrios Antonitsis overdose on bling, while two variations of "Hairy Guy," a creature cast in bronze by Liz Craft, could be slacker relatives of Cousin It. Through Sept. 8. (Gering & López, 730 Fifth Ave., at 57th St. 646-336-7183.)