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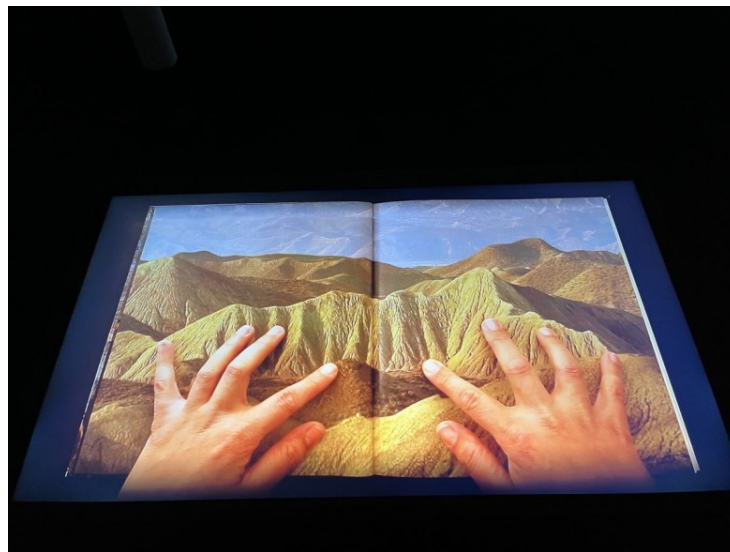
HYPERALLERGIC

15 NYC Art Shows to See in October

Abbey Williams

Natural Sound

By Hakim Bishara October 2, 2024



Grief has a mind of its own. It'll grip you, sink you, ebb for a while, then sneak back in sharp bursts without notice. In this video collage, Abbey Williams shuffles through various film, music, and art references as she heals from the trauma of stillbirth. A recurring shot in the video shows the artist's fingers tracing the horizon lines of landscape photos in nature books. Her hands reach out to someone who can't be touched. Another sequence features news reports about a grieving mother orca who carried the body of her dead calf for 17 days across the Pacific Ocean. Scientists called it a "tour of grief." —*Hakim Bishara*