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# ART & CULTURE

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## Crowdsourcing

Few things conjure summertime in America more than Coney Island. A sizzling new exhibition at **San Diego Museum of Art** (July 11 to Oct. 13, [sdmart.org](http://sdmart.org)), brings the nostalgic Brooklyn landmark to the West Coast. "I'm thrilled to be sharing this place with San Diego," says Ariel Platek, associate curator of modern art. *Coney Island: Visions of an American Dreamland, 1861-2008*, features works across mediums by a fascinating array of

artists, from impressionist painter William Merritt Chase and minimalist Frank Stella to poet Lawrence Ferlinghetti and photographer Diane Arbus. Among the standouts? Painter Red Grooms' "Weegee 1940," a colorful '90s riff on a famous black-and-white image by New York photojournalist Weegee. "His iconic photograph embodied the American melting pot," explains Platek. The show might just be this summer's hottest ticket.  
—AnnaMaria Stephens

## HOT SHOT

"Weegee 1940," a vibrant take on a famous Weegee photograph of Coney Island, is part of the summer San Diego Museum of Art exhibit.