

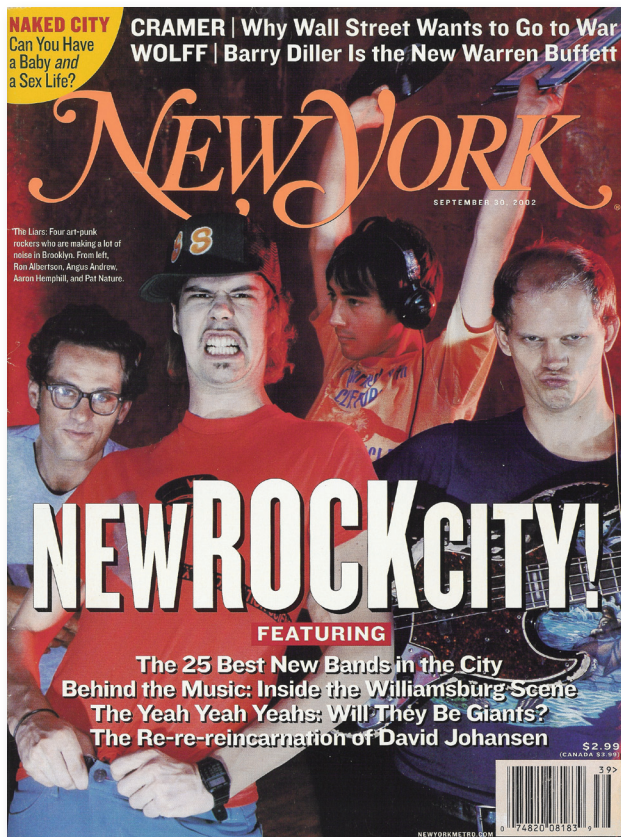
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Happening Art Smart Adventures

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IN A CITY that has tutors for everything, Judith Shupe [Walsh] is quickly making her mark. At first blush, her art-history tutoring seems a bit over-the-top, especially at a time when kids are already said to be overscheduled already. But Shupe [Walsh] brings her Ivy League education to families as often or infrequently as they want. And she even makes house calls (parents in the know book her well in advance for their school' halfdays). Shupe [Walsh]'s company, Art Smart Adventures, creates a program with parental input: If Moms wants Junior to learn about Asian art, then the lesson might include a trip to the museum in search of dragons. Prefer a lesson on Impressionism? Shupe [Walsh] will promenade the kids through a gallery of Gauguin and Van Goghs. She'll even do a group class (keep everyone around the same age, and no more than six per group, please). On October 12, she'll bring kids 4 to 12 and their parents to comb through the galleries with a list of questions. So far, the fourteen families that have Shupe [Walsh]'s number found her through word of mouth. The way things are going, she's going to have to hire the girl with the pearl earring pretty soon.