

Five Artsy Things to Do This Week, Including Cough Syrup Spraying to a Justin Bieber Song

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4. Cough syrup graffiti

DJ Screws, who spearheaded the "Chopped and Screwed" hip-hop genre where tracks were slowed way down and beats skipped, died in 2000 of a cough syrup overdose. Ten years later, Romanian programmer Paul Octavian Nasca continued the "Chopped and Screwed" legacy by slowing down Justin Bieber's "U Smile" by 800 percent. In artist Nicolas Lobo's video *Grape Syrup Action for Paul Octavian Nasca*, Lobo uses a fire extinguisher to spray cough syrup on a white wall while slowed-down Justin Bieber plays. The video screens at Wharton + Espinosa as part of the compellingly eerie group show "The Furthest Distance Between Two Points."