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McDarrah, the *Village Voice*'s photographer about town for thirty crucial years, is famous for documenting the city's avant-garde scene and its most colorful denizens, from Jack Kerouac, Bob Dylan, and Willem de Kooning to Andy Warhol, Patti Smith, and Carolee Schneemann. This spirited, sprawling show of vintage prints focusses primarily on his portraits of artists and writers but also includes musicians and other performers. Even if viewers don't remember the way we were, McDarrah's you-are-there moments will let them cozy up to Jasper Johns, Ethel Scull, and Leo Castelli at a 1960 opening, or nudge into the crush around Frank O'Hara at the Cedar Tavern. Just don't spill your drink. Through Jan. 6. (Kasher, 521 W. 23rd St. 212-966-3978.)