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★ **LEO VILLAREAL**, Sandra Gering, 534 West 22nd Street, (646) 336-7183 (through March 23). For his first New York solo, this ingenious young sculptor has created three computer-programmed light works that are at once hypnotic and exhilarating. Within drum-shaped, translucent colored plastic shells, soft points of light gently pulse in patterns that suggest some kind of coded communication. For pedestrians, Mr. Villareal has produced patterns of colored light spots that flicker across the gallery's storefront windows (Johnson).

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