

Best One-Two Gallery Punch **Honfleur and Vivid Solutions**

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Now that an armful of galleries have fled the 14th Street corridor in favor of cheaper or less rigid pastures, D.C. lacks an intuitive gallery-hopping route. If you want to make a real evening of art shows without traipsing all across town, head to Anacostia, where Honfleur Gallery and Vivid Solutions Gallery sit just a few doors apart on Good Hope Road SE. Both galleries are run by the ARCH Development Corporation and operate under the same leadership, and both are stalwart boosters of up-and-comers on the local visual art scene, but each speaks its own distinct language. Vivid Solutions specializes in photography; several of the past year's shows explored D.C. communities,

questions of social justice, and facets of the Black American experience. Honfleur mounts some of the most imaginative contemporary art coming out of the District today—a good chunk of it in non-traditional media—and hosts an annual exhibition of artists who live and work east of the Anacostia River. The shows on view are likely to complement, not compete, and visitors would be foolish to stop in at one without walking a few yards for a peek at the other.