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## Hamiltonian Gallery offers emerging artists prime placement

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WASHINGTON — The latest gallery to appear on the bustling U Street corridor is more than just another handsome room where artists can peddle their wares.

The 2,000-square-ft. Hamilton Gallery, half a block east of 14th Street, is a fully-green facility, for one thing. It's also the showcase for Hamiltonian Artists, a nonprofit organization dedicated to helping emerging artists find their footing in the commercial realm.

Artists exhibiting there — the first trio is Nao Matsumoto, Bryan Rojsuontikul and Ian MacLean Davis — all will be current fellows in a two-year program that will expose them to the work and methods of more established artists through lectures, regular critiques of their work, and mentorship programs, while giving their work a public airing.

Fellows who are offered representation through a commercial gallery before their term is complete will be free to leave after one year. The first “class” of 10 fellows was chosen from 130 applicants; future classes will include 20 fellows.

When I visited the gallery, preparations were still in progress for its opening gala Oct. 11. The gallery looked like the artists it will serve: Raw and unfinished, but rippling with potential.

### **If you go**

New Work by Nao Matsumoto, Bryan Rojsuontikul & Ian MacLean Davis at Hamiltonian Gallery

**Where:** Hamiltonian Gallery, 1353 U St. NW

**When:** Through Nov. 2


**Info:** Free; 202-332-1116; [hamiltoniangallery.com](http://hamiltoniangallery.com)



Artist Bryan Rojsuontikul installs his artwork at the Hamiltonian Gallery. -- Chris Klimek / For The Examiner

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