

ToDo ToDay: (e)merge Art Fair at Capitol Skyline

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Consider that art fairs are little more than overstimulating trade conventions, and you see why many in the nonwealthy art-o-sphere dread them. But Washington's **(e)merge Art Fair**, now in its second year, offers something different: art, strictly for sale but reasonably easy to absorb in its entirety. It's not too different from the satellite fairs that take place in a dozen hotels during Art Basel Miami Beach: At (e)merge, dealers set up shop at the hotel (in this case, the Capitol Skyline), posting their wares in the hotel's rooms for viewers, who stroll through from all around the mid-Atlantic and beyond. The big difference is the performance art, like that of Holly Bass (shown): (e)merge has a ton of it, and it makes the fair more than a market destination. It's an event that belongs on any art lover's calendar. [MORE >>](#)(Kriston Capps)

(e)merge Art Fair runs Oct. 4-7 at the Capitol Skyline Hotel, 101 St. SW. \$15 per day. The fair's opening party with Eric Hilton begins tonight at 7 p.m. \$45 in advance, \$60 at the door. emergeartfair.com.