

Hot ticket | Lennie Bennett, Times art critic

Comb gallery for 'Wonderful Things'

Allyn Gallup's gallery has been a fixture in downtown Sarasota since 1991, and through the years he has built a large roster of fine contemporary artists. He rotates his exhibitions monthly. Through May 3 the gallery will present "Some Wonderful Things," featuring pieces from a group of mostly New York artists working in several media. Shown is a drawing by Zaria Forman.

Here's a hint about getting the full experience of a well-stocked gallery such as Gallup's. Go to the gallery's Web site (Gallup's is www.miramararts.com) and check out all the artists he represents. If you're interested in one of them and the artist isn't being shown at that time, ask if the owner has anything in a back room or images on a CD. If you're smitten with an artist on view, ask if there are any more works you can see. Don't be shy or embarrassed; good gallerists love to share their treasures.

Allyn Gallup Contemporary Art is at 556 S Pineapple Ave., Sarasota. Hours are 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Saturday. (941) 366-2093.

