



On Exhibit

FASCINATING ART DISPLAYS *by Terry Trucco*



(Courtesy Mnuchin Gallery. Art: ©David Hammons. Photo: Tom Powel Imaging)

Biting Elegance

Renowned for influential, idiosyncratic conceptual work addressing race and power in America, Illinois-born David Hammons is art's Greta Garbo, forgoing interviews and exhibiting rarely. That makes "Five Decades" an event. In this biting but elegant 33-piece retrospective set to Japanese court music, Hammons' gimlet eye transforms the gallery's white-walled East Side town house, pairing, among other things, a paint-splashed fur coat with a boarded-over mirror and redefining the meaning of art. |

Mnuchin Gallery, 45 E. 78th St., 212.861.0020, thru May 27