

Tahoe-Truckee benefits from alternative art galleries

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As I walk into the Coffeebar Bakery – located on Donner Pass Road, less than a mile from Highway 80 – it's hard to focus on anything but the smell of roasted coffee beans and the spread of various baked goods. The shop hardly seats 10 people, and serves mostly as a grab-and-go location.

When my latte is ready, I turn to exit, but I am distracted by four quaint paintings on the otherwise blank, grey wall. According to a placard next to the pieces, the artist is a Reno/Tahoe local named Annika Peterson.

I pause to admire the paintings of lavender and peony before going forth with my day – a day that was altered, even if only for a brief moment – by art.

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