

Arts Council of Winston-Salem

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and sold his work from his home on 701 Northwest Boulevard in Winston-Salem until his passing in 2018.

In addition to honoring McMillan, *A Dotted Tribute* will also highlight the work of Angel Fant and Natalie Jester. Both artists share McMillan's penchant for painting on unconventional surfaces, such as furniture and garments. It was Fant who introduced Jester, an emerging talent, to McMillan's influential work, creating a vibrant dialogue between past and present. Jester's work is inspired by McMillan in many ways. She aims to represent the future of art as it evolves while honoring and incorporating the legacy of artists from the past, such as McMillan. She enjoys painting on canvas, clothing, and furniture. Jester's colorful and creative style reflects her desire to create art that is intriguing and deeply meaningful.

The exhibition will be further enriched by the contributions of Bob Moyer, a long-time friend and collector of McMillan's art. Moyer has generously lent pieces from his private collection and shared personal stories of McMillan, infusing *A Dotted Tribute*

with the spirit and essence of Sam the Dot Man. We invite the community to join us in celebrating this extraordinary exhibition that bridges past and present, and to experience the unique and colorful world of Sam McMillan alongside the dynamic works of Angel Fant and Natalie Jester.

The Arts Council of Winston-Salem & Forsyth County is the leading advocate of arts in our region and seeks to enhance and support the local artistic and cultural landscape. Established in 1949 as the first arts council in the nation, the pioneering organization is celebrating its 75th anniversary in 2024. Arts Council owns and operates a campus which includes the Milton Rhodes Center for the Arts. In 2023, it hosted 670 on-campus events with 60,000 attendees and distributed over \$1.2 million in grants, benefiting over 800,000 people. Arts Council is the largest funder of arts education for Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Schools.

For further information check our NC Institutional Gallery listings, call the Council at 336/747-1421 or e-mail to (khall@intothearts.org).

Sanford Brush & Palette Club's 59th Annual Art Show Takes Place in Sanford, NC - Oct. 12 - 19, 2024

The Sanford Brush & Palette Club's (SBPC) 59th Annual Art Show is being held Oct. 12 to 19, 2024. This art show is one of the largest and longest-running fine art shows in the area. It is a FREE, highly anticipated family-friendly event – run totally by volunteers. The judged art show will be held at a new venue this year – the Harper Center at First Presbyterian Church in Sanford, NC, a beautiful 4,000+ sq. ft. space.

SBPC expects to have over 1,000 pieces of art to show. There are 15 art categories in the competition gallery. The Bowl and Vessel Show will continue to be held concurrently, as well as a Holiday Gallery offering unique artist-created items with a winter holiday theme. Art After Dark is being planned as an very special 60th anniversary event on Friday night, and will include a live auction of exciting prizes – including art. The show offers a chance to win door prizes and raffles throughout the week. Meet the artists and watch some at work during artist demos.



Work by Doug Rowe

Mickey Pace, Art Show Co-chairman states that, "We are excited to be planning the largest Annual Art Show in our history in 2024. Our 60th anniversary coincides with Sanford's 150th anniversary, which we plan to honor with a new art category: "What Sanford Means To Me". Also, we are dedicating the show to Ruby McSwain, who was a long-time member and benefactor."

The show is open 10am to 6pm each day except Sunday, which is 2 to 5pm. The Art After Dark event is held on Friday from 6 to 9pm.

Sanford Brush & Palette Club, a Sanford-based 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, was founded in 1964 with seven members. They have grown into a membership of more than one hundred diverse, talented artists from Lee County.

Their mission statement is simple:

Oxide Gallery of Fine Art in Sanford, NC, Offers Haunted Exhibit

Oxide Gallery of Fine Art in Sanford, NC, will present *Galerie Macabre*, a group

show featuring work by over a dozen NC-

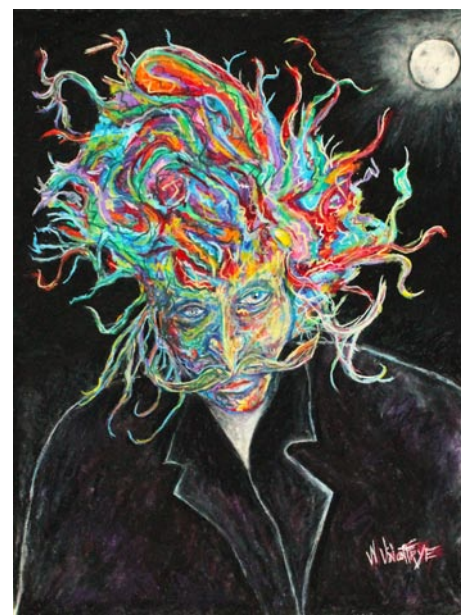
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based artists, on view from Oct. 3-26, 2024. A reception, costume optional, will be held on Oct. 5, from 4-7pm.

"*Galerie Macabre* is a celebration of the dark autumn – the spooky, the sinister, and the mildly scary. The Gallery will transform into a haunted experience with a new front window display created by local haunt enthusiasts, our monthly fine art exhibition, and themed work in the NC Art Gift Shop – suitable for all ages to safely explore and enjoy."

Presented by Lee County Fine Arts. Our gallery will present regular monthly exhibitions, fine art gifts, art competition shows, and access to working artists in Central North Carolina. The Gallery's NC Gift Shop features work by over a dozen local and regional artists. Guests can enjoy fabrics, mosaic, glass art, stoneware clay sculpture, decorative functional and food safe pottery, note cards and journals, and the famous Art-o-mat.

For further information check our NC



Work by Vincent Frye

Institutional Gallery listings, call the gallery at 919/278-7270 or visit (oxideart.com).

Piedmont Craftsmen in Winston-Salem, NC, To Celebrate 61st Anniversary Fair - Nov. 23 & 24, 2024

Piedmont Craftsmen will celebrate the 61st Annual Piedmont Craftsmen's Fair at the Benton Convention Center in downtown Winston-Salem on Nov. 23 and 24, 2024. The organization continues its anniversary celebration marking 60 years of its existence. Piedmont Craftsmen has attracted artisans who are masters of their craft, producing work that is distinctive and innovative since its founding in 1963. The Fair showcases the handwork of 100 artists from across the United States, working in clay, wood, glass, fiber, photography, print-making, and mixed media.



View from a previous Fair

and shop for one-of-a-kind handmade gifts, wearables, furniture, functional wares, & more!

Piedmont Craftsmen began with a group of crafts artists and collectors devoted to handmade objects who had ties to the craft heritage of this region. Today the organization is a preeminent crafts guild representing artisans working throughout the United States and is one of the oldest arts organizations in Winston-Salem. In addition to the annual Craft Fair, Piedmont Craftsmen offers education to the public and sells and exhibits the work of its Member Artists in their Shop and Gallery on Trade Street.

For additional information, visit (<https://piedmontcraftsmen.org/fair/>) or call 336/725-1516.



Work by Christine Dalton, Best of Show, 2022

- To foster an interest in the visual arts through programs, demonstrations, exhibitions, and community involvement.
- To provide opportunities for member artists to improve skills and to display and market their artwork.
- To help make art a part of the lives of the adults and children in our community.

Lee County artists at all stages of their artistic journey are invited to join the club. Newcomers to Sanford may find the SBPC an excellent way to make new friends, find support and share creative ideas. Members are given opportunities to exhibit and/or sell their art throughout the year, culminating in the highly anticipated *Annual Art Show* held every October.

In 2011, SBPC created Art Angels for Budding Artists. Art Angels provides supplies and/or services to support projects and activities that help provide a quality visual arts experience for students in the Lee County school system. Since its inception in 2010, Art Angels has assisted over 6,000 students to express themselves creatively and to learn more about the world around them through art. SBPC also awards scholarships to artistic high school seniors each year.

The club was honored to receive endowments in 2023 and 2024 from the Ruby and Ernest McSwain Worthy Land Trust. SBPC also received a grant from the Sanford Area Growth Alliance.

For more information about the Sanford Brush & Palette Club, to register as a new member, stay up to date on *Annual Art Show* events, or to become an Art Show sponsor, please visit (www.sanfordarts.org).



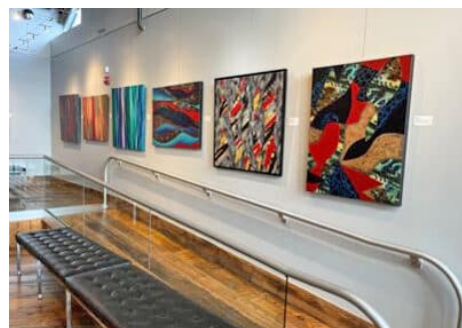
View from a previous Fair

This two-day event attracts thousands of visitors to Downtown Winston-Salem to celebrate fine craft and learn what downtown has to offer! Visitors can watch artists demonstrating their techniques throughout the weekend, meet the artists,

Yadkin Arts Council in Yadkinville, NC, Features Works by Fania Greenwood

The Yadkin Arts Council in Yadkinville, NC, is presenting *Full Circle*, featuring works by Fania Greenwood, on view in the Welborn Gallery, through Oct. 25, 2024

A collection of mixed media works inspired by patterns, shapes, bright colors, recycled materials, and graffiti images. Featuring canvases created using collages of acrylics, images, fabrics, and textured materials.



View of the "Full Circle" exhibit



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fields for nearly 35 years while raising her three children. Seven years ago, she started painting but her work has been inspired by my many experiences from the last 60 years.

Her inspirations come from patterns, shapes, bright colors, recycled materials, graffiti images and from her photographs taken in many countries over the years. Her paintings reflect the work of many artists, designers, illustrators and sculptors who had a profound influence on her work because of the colors, shapes, strength and whimsicalness. Just to name a few: Yayoi Kusama, Alexander Calder, Pablo Picasso, Andy Warhol, Jack Youngerman, Keith Haring, Gustav Klimt, Joan Miro, Henri Matisse....

Working on canvas she creates mixed media collages with acrylics, graffiti

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