

Society of Bluffton Artists in Bluffton, SC, Features Works of Fiber Art Group

Society of Bluffton Artists (SoBA) in Bluffton, SC, is presenting the sixth annual show of the Fiber Artists of Beaufort (FAB), on view in the SoBA Center for the Creative Arts, through Nov. 5, 2017.

This will be the second year that FAB holds its show at this venue. We are very excited to continue our relationship with SoBA and make our work available to a broader audience. A portion of this year's proceeds will be donated to SoBA's youth workshop scholarship fund. Buy local & support local artists.

FAB's members are 13 accomplished Low Country artisans whose work represents a broad range of contemporary textile art. One-of-a-kind wall art, as well as wearable and three dimensional pieces for the home will be available for sale. Our artists work in a broad range of techniques and textiles - knitting, weaving, nuno & needle felting, smocking, natural

dye techniques, paper making and paper art, silk painting of wall hangings as well as wearable pieces, jewelry and contemporary hand stitched embroidered pieces.

Most of the artists have affiliations with galleries in Bluffton and Beaufort as well as exhibiting work and teaching their craft across the US and Internationally. This is a great opportunity to purchase unique hand-made holiday gifts at an affordable range of prices.

Participating artists are: Sandra Atkins, Eileen Berchem, Laura Burcin, Margo Duke, Eileen Hoffman, Barbara James, Roxanne Lasky, Laurie Lovell, Linda Patalive, Kathryn Riley Parker, Andrea Stern, and Cynthia Zeiss.

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Society of Bluffton Artists in Bluffton, SC, Features Exhibit of Square Works

Society of Bluffton Artists (SoBA) in Bluffton, SC, will present its annual fall 12 x 12 show, on view from Nov. 6 through Dec. 3, 2017.

It's a unique, interesting and challenging member exhibition in which each member may submit two 12 x 12-inch canvases. Each 12 x 12 is priced the same, \$120 - in time for holiday art shopping.

The art is the perfect size for groupings. It will fit in small spaces and is very easily shipped.

This show also serves as an important

fundraiser for SoBA. The artists traditionally share a large portion of their commission with the gallery from this exhibition.

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University of South Carolina Beaufort in Beaufort, SC, Offers Works by Art Faculty Members

The University of South Carolina Beaufort in Beaufort, SC, will present the USCB Department of Fine Arts Faculty Exhibition, featuring a diverse collection of work from the art faculty, on view at the Sea Islands Center Gallery, from Nov. 2 through Dec. 2, 2017. The opening reception will take place on Nov. 2, from 5-7pm. Another reception will take place the following night on Nov. 3, from 5:30 - 7:30pm to welcome the South Carolina Art Education Association and First Friday attendees.

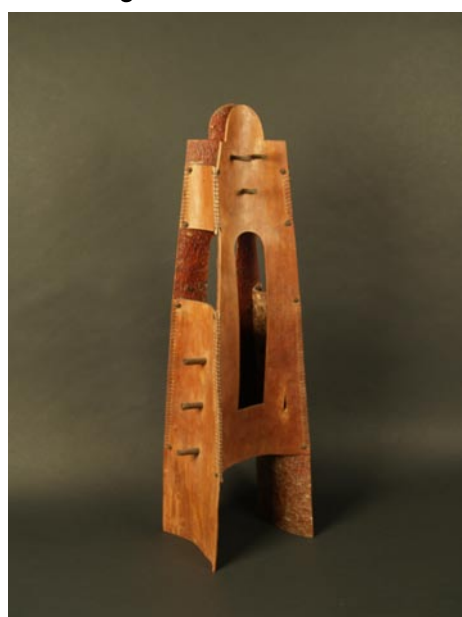
Faculty members with work included are: Joanna Angell, Topher Maraffi, Chris Robinson, Kim Keats, Laurie Lovell and Ann Holderfield. Work displayed includes ceramic sculptural pieces inspired by bird forms and textures, prints relating to themes of home and gender, mixed media digital prints that relate to the history of film and dance, sculptures created from natural objects such as trees and roots and meditative textural fabric two-dimensional pieces.

"Maine Grid", a large print by new art department chair Chris Robinson, references his work in nanotechnology. Shapes of cardiac fibroblasts are digitally manipulated and enlarged with Newtonian scale natural textures, parodying rampant image manipulation in science.



Work by Topher Maraffi

Located in the heart of the South Carolina Sea Islands, the University of South Carolina Beaufort (USCB) is a baccalaureate member of the USC system, serving the southeast coast of South Carolina and Georgia. Since 2002, USCB has tripled



Work by Kim Keats

its academic degree programs, doubled its FTE enrollment, opened its first on-campus housing (now serving more than 900), joined the NAIA Sun Conference, and fielded conference and national award-winning Sand Shark athletes in nine sports. The university's two campuses serve a diverse student body of 2,000 students. The Bluffton campus offers cutting-edge Computational Science and Nursing laboratories, and a broad range of academic degree programs. The Beaufort campus, located on Beaufort's downtown waterfront, houses an innovative baccalaureate Studio Art program in close proximity to Beaufort's many art galleries. The University of South Carolina Beaufort offers students an exceptional place to learn and live in an environment focused on growth, preservation and opportunity.

For more information about the USCB Department of Fine Arts Faculty Exhibition, contact Ann Holderfield by e-mail at (holderfk@uscb.edu). For more information about USCB's Fine Arts degree program, contact Chris Robinson, department chair of the Fine Arts Department by e-mail at (robinsct@uscb.edu).



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Society of Bluffton Artists in Bluffton, SC, Offers Works by Elizabeth Slater

The Society of Bluffton Artists (SoBA) in Bluffton, SC, will present *Lowcountry Elements: A Natural Study*, featuring works in pencil, watercolor and acrylic adaptations of the coastal elements beloved to the Lowcountry by Elizabeth Slater, on view from Nov. 13 through Dec. 10, 2017. A reception will be held on Nov. 19, from 3-5pm.

Slater has always called the South Georgia coast her home. Native to Savannah, her fondest memories include beach days on Tybee Island, crabbing from the family dock on the Grove River, enjoying oyster roasts with family and friends and meandering on Calhoun Street in Bluffton with her dad on Saturdays.

Slater's artistic venture, Meyer Slater, is in part named after her maternal grandmother, Rebecca Felton Meyer, who taught Slater the love of the coast.

"It is my goal to bring a piece of coastal nature inside everyone's home through works of art - in homage to my grandmother and all that she was to so many," Slater said.



Work by Elizabeth Slater

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Society of Bluffton Artists in Bluffton, SC, Features Annual *Holiday Boutique*

The Society of Bluffton Artists (SoBA) in Bluffton, SC, will present the *Fifth Annual Holiday Boutique*, on view at the Center for Creative Arts, from Nov. 14 through Dec. 22, 2017.

The boutique offers the community a unique place to shop for the holidays from local artists with a variety of creative items to choose from - including jewelry, cards, holiday decorations, small paintings, floral arrangements and fiber art. Prices range from \$15 to \$350.

"It's always a fun surprise to see the unique, creative things that people bring

in," said Gayle Miller, SoBA's president. "This gives the SoBA members the opportunity to display and sell other art pieces that normally wouldn't be sold at the gallery. They really enjoy the challenge."

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