

NC Institutional Galleries

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Museum's upcoming 80th Anniversary on February 4, 2024, this permanent collection take-over of our galleries pays homage to our roots and celebrates where we are going. 80 years of collecting will be anchored by HMA's foundational artists – artists who helped make the museum a reality – Paul Austin Wayne Whitener, Wilford Seymour Conrow, and Frederick Ballard Williams. **Entire Third Floor, Ongoing** - "Discover Folk Art: Unique Visions by Southern Contemporary Folk Artists". A unique experience for the whole family to investigate the Museum's extensive Southern Contemporary Folk Art Collection. The Exhibition Features: • Re-creations of Artists' Working Environments • Over 200 Folk Art Objects • Sounds & Smells • and More! Free Family Guides for the exhibition are available at the Museum's check-in desk in the first floor shopHMA. Copies of the children's book, "Discover Folk Art: An Adventure with Artie at the Hickory Museum of Art", are also available in the store for \$9.95. In the book, Artie (HMA's art-loving mascot) takes a group of children on a tour of the galleries and introduces them to work by several folk artists including Sam "The Dot Man" McMillan and Q.J. Stephenson. **Little Hands, Big Hands Gallery, Ongoing** - "Little Hands, Big Hands". Younger visitors can be imaginative through creative exploration and play. Includes a puppet theater, mini art gallery, giant reading throne and more. Admission: Free. Hours: Wed.-Sat., 10am-4pm & Sun., 1-4pm. Contact: 828/327-8576 or at (<http://hickoryart.org/>).

Hiddenite

Hiddenite Arts & Heritage Center, 316 Hiddenite Church Road, Hiddenite. **Ongoing** - The Mission of the Hiddenite Arts & Heritage Center is to serve and promote the talented local and regional artists and craftspeople at The Lucas Mansion and the Educational Complex. The Center endeavors to connect the public with the rich arts and cultural and natural heritage of the northwest NC region by making quality arts and heritage programming accessible for all. Additionally, the Center will build upon its role as the Alexander County Visitor Center highlighting the many qualities of Alexander County. The Center will also strive to improve its offerings at the Educational Complex including performing arts, visual arts, literary arts, pottery and quilting. Hours: Mon.-Fri. 10am-4:30 & Sat., 10am-3pm. Contact: 828/632-6966 or at (hiddenitearts.org).

Highlands

The Bascom, a center for the visual arts, 323 Franklin Rd., covered bridge entrance at the end of Main Street, Highlands. **Joel Gallery, Through Jan. 20** - "River Nest Project". This collaborative piece by LIVLAB artists, Morgan Kennedy and Kevin Kirkpatrick, weaves object making, water-way exploration, and sound, with romantic literary impressions of Western North Carolina. The project was inspired by a passage from the book *Thirteen Moons* by novelist Charles Frazier in which he describes a local mountain medicine, which is made from "River Nests." **Bunzl Gallery, Through Jan. 6** - "Listening to the Land: Reimagining the Bartram Trail". Listening to the Land is a nine-month photography exploration of the Bartram Trail near Highlands, NC. Influenced by the legacy of William Bartram, photographers of all levels have been invited to enter an intimate world where the landscape is alive and waiting to be met, understood, and loved. Through workshops and online conversations, photographers have cultivated a faithful conversation with the land that explores the rich biodiversity of place while honoring each photographer's unique way of seeing and responding to the land. **Education Gallery, Ongoing** - The Bascom offers our students and instructors an opportunity to display their creative works from workshops and classes. The perspectives of these talented individuals reveal self-expression, cultural awareness and technical discipline. These ongoing displays expose the viewer to the analysis, invention, exploration and decision making processes used by students during the development of ideas into a work of art. Hours: Tue.-Sat., 10am-5pm. Contact: 828/526-4949 or at (www.thebascom.org).

High Point

The Art Gallery at Congdon Yards (formerly Theatre Art Galleries), 400 West English Road, Suite 151, High Point. **Through Jan. 12** - "Stolen Stories," featuring works by Jean Cauthen. Cauthen grew up in Naples, Italy, New Orleans and the Carolinas. She completed her education with an MFA (Painting and Drawing) at James Madison University in Virginia. Her art career has led her to Moscow, Russia as a set designer and she regularly returns to Italy, France, and Ireland

(often leading painting workshops). She was awarded a residency at Chateaux Orquevaux in September 2019. When not working plein-air, she creates large-scale paintings in her studio, Dilworth Artisan Station in Charlotte, NC. **Ongoing** - The over 11,000-square-foot gallery includes a large exhibit space, three state-of-the-art classrooms, a hands-on children's area and a gift shop. Hands-on instruction in a wide variety of media will be offered including acrylic and oil painting, watercolor, collage, drawing, ceramics, glass fusion and light metal working classes. Hours: Tue.-Fri., noon-5pm or by appt., closed during the Spring and Fall furniture markets and major holidays. Contact: at (www.tagart.org).

Hillsborough

Downtown Hillsborough, Jan. 26, from 6-9pm - "Hillsborough Art Walk Last Fridays". The Hillsborough Arts Council invites you to visit walkable historic and hip Hillsborough. Park once and enjoy art galleries, artist studios, boutiques and award-winning restaurants. Stops on the Hillsborough Art Walk Last Fridays include: Hillsborough Arts Council Gallery & Gift Shop, Orange County Historical Museum, Hillsborough Gallery of Arts, Hillsborough/Orange County Chamber of Commerce, Hillsborough Artists Cooperative and The Skylight Gallery, Thomas Stevens Gallery, Coldwell Banker Howard Perry and Walston, The Paynter Law Firm, Margaret Lane Gallery, K's Closet - Hillsborough and Cedar Walk Wellness Center. Contact: (www.lastfridaysartwalk.org).

Eno Arts Mill, 437 Dimmocks Mill Road, Suite 17, in Hillsborough. **Ongoing** - The Eno Arts Mill is an arts hub located in the historic Eno Mill in West Hillsborough, NC, managed by the Orange County Arts Commission. The Eno Arts Mill is home to the Eno Mill Gallery, a 1,000 square foot exhibit space that offers our studio artists the opportunity to exhibit their work. Each of our studio artists have a one-month featured exhibit of their work on a rotating basis. New gallery exhibits open the first Friday of each month and feature the opportunity to visit our artist studios and enjoy live music, food trucks and beverages. Hours: Tue.-Sat., noon-5pm. Contact: 919/245-2335 or at (artsorange.org).

The HAC Gallery, Hillsborough Arts Council, 102 North Churton Street, across the street from the Wooden Nickel, Hillsborough. **Ongoing** - Offers a venue for emerging and mid-career artists to show and sell their work. Hours: Wed.-Sat., noon-4pm. Contact: 919/643-2500 or at (www.hillsboroughartscouncil.org).

Hudson

Red Awning Gallery at The HUB Station Arts Center, 145 Cedar Valley Road, Hudson. **Ongoing** - An 80-year-old, former school campus has been transformed by the Town of Hudson into a 21st century hub for business development and artistic creation and enjoyment. The Town chose to blend the past with the present as they envisioned the future for residents and visitors. We invite you to visit HUB Station – former Hudson School – a classical structure and repurposed treasure celebrating the vitality of community through arts and business. Gallery hours: Wed.-Fri., noon-5pm & Sat., 10am-2pm. Contact: 828/726-8871 or at (<https://www.thehubstation.com/>).

Kings Mountain

Southern Arts Society Gift Shop & Gallery, 301 N. Piedmont Ave. (NC 216), located in the old Southern Railway Depot at the corner of Battleground Ave and N. Piedmont Ave in the Kings Mountain Art Center, Kings Mountain. **Ongoing** - Exhibits, gift shop & classes. Hours: Tue.-Sat., 10am-2pm and by appt. Contact: 704/739-5585, e-mail at (southernartsociety@gmail.com) or at (www.southernartsociety.org) and Facebook.

Kinston

Community Council for the Arts, 400 N. Queen Street, Kinston. **Ongoing** - The Community Council for the Arts is the regional center unifying community ties through exposure to the arts and providing rich cultural experiences while promoting tourism, economic development, and educational opportunities for all. **Ongoing** - Shop the Art Market - Featuring paintings, pottery, jewelry, glassware, baskets, textiles, soaps, quilts, woodwork & more - always changing. Hours: Tue.-Fri., 10am-6pm & Sat., 10am-4pm. Contact: 252/527-2517 or at (www.kinstoncca.com).

SmART Gallery, 210 N Queen Street, Kinston. **Ongoing** - As an art gallery in Kinston, SmART Gallery promotes and showcases the work of the

"smARTist" – artists-in-residence participating in the SmART Kinston City Project Foundation. Our gallery provides an inviting and welcoming space for the public to buy and admire these artists' works. By providing a space in which to display their latest pieces, artists appreciate their role in sharing their creative aspirations with a wider audience. Hours: Thur.-Sat., 2-6pm & Sun. 1-4pm. Contact: 252/933-9072 or e-mail at (smartgallery2019@gmail.com).

Lenoir

Caldwell Arts Council Gallery, 601 College Avenue, SW, Lenoir. **Main Floor & Upstairs Galleries, Jan. 5 - 26** - "Watercolor Society of North Carolina Annual Juried Exhibition". Hours: Tue.-Fri., 9am-5pm. Contact: 828/754-2486 or at (caldwellarts.com).

Lumberton

Inner Peace Center for the Arts, 700 N. Roberts Avenue, Lumberton. **Ongoing** - We are an art gallery designed to educate, enlighten, enrich and entertain patrons of all ages while providing leadership and support to advance the visual and performing arts in our community. Hours: Wed.-Fri., 11am-5pm. Contact: 910/733-1046 or at (www.ipcarts.com).

Marshall

Flow Gallery, 14 S. Main St., Marshall. **Ongoing** - Flow is a cooperative gallery owned, operated and curated by artists, offering for sale the best of local and regional crafted objects and arts, traditional and contemporary. Hours: Tue.-Sat., 10am-4pm or by appt. Contact: 828/649-1686 or at (www.flowmarshall.com).

Mars Hill

Mars Landing Galleries, 37 Library Street, Mars Hill. **Ongoing** - Mars Landing Galleries is a standout gallery for the works of artists and makers nestled in and around the Blue Ridge Mountains. Each exhibit space is curated as a solo-show, in an effort to provide viewers ample space for contemplation, connection, and ultimate appreciation of exquisite works not readily displayed locally. Hours: Wed.-Sat., 11am-5 or by appt. Contact: 828/747-7267.

Marshville

Marshville Museum and Cultural Center, 201 North Elm Street, Marshville. **Ongoing** - Featuring paintings by local artist Mary Erickson. Other well known artists from Marshville include Hooper Turner, Sally Griffin, Richard Smith, Frank Faulkner, Louise Napier, and Stewart Allen. Hours: Mon.-Thur., by appt. only; Fri.-Sat., 10am-4pm; & Sun. 1-4pm. Contact: 704-624-6214 or at (<http://mmcc1893.com/index.html>).

Mooreville

Depot Visual Arts Center, 103 West Center Ave., Mooreville. **Ongoing** - MAGical Gallery shop, a great source for unique gifts. Hours: Tue.-Fri., noon-4pm & Sat., 10am-2pm. Contact: 704/663-6661 or at (www.MAGart.org).

Morganton

KATZ Arts Collective, 116 W. Union Street, Morganton. **Ongoing** - It is a collective of artists, both online and in-house. It operates as a non-profit; any money left over after expenses goes back into the cooperative. Many different specialties including weaving, painting, photography, pottery, sculpture, and more are represented at the KATZ. Included in its amenities are a free children's area, display galleries and shelves, rental studios, and an event space. Hours: N/A. Contact: visit us on Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/thekatzartcollective>) or e-mail us at (thekatzartcollective@gmail.com).

Mount Airy

Mount Airy Museum of Regional History, 301 North Main Street, Mount Airy. **Ongoing** - Ours is an all American story - typical of how communities grew up all across our great nation. While our story takes place in the back country of northwestern North Carolina at the foot of the Blue Ridge Mountains, it is likely to bear many similarities to the development of crossroads, towns, and cities throughout America. It had taken little more than 100 years for the corridors along the coastline of this still-new continent to overflow. As tensions grew and conflicts flared, the pioneer spirit set in. Families literally packed up everything they owned and headed into the unknown-searching for the "promised land." Admission: Yes. Hours: Mon.-Sat., 10am-5pm & Sun., 1-4pm. Contact: 336/786-4478 or at (northcarolinamuseum.org).



Work by Gary Nemcosky

New Bern

Bank of the Arts, Craven Arts Council, 317 Middle Street, New Bern. **Main Gallery, Through Jan. 31, 2024** - "Joy in the Ordinary". This exhibition features work by several different local artists. During the holiday season, we often hear the words gratitude, joy, peace & light, yet we know that this time of year may not always be those things for all. "Joy in the Ordinary" seeks to remind ourselves and our community of the ways we experience glimmers of positivity and comfort every day of the year, not just during the holiday season. Multiple artists have submitted work in a variety of mediums, exploring finding joy in our daily lives. **Director's Gallery, Through Jan. 31, 2024** - "Michael Rhinehardt". This exhibition features various work inspired by growing up and fatherhood. Rhinehardt is a lifelong resident of Carteret County. After graduating from East Carolina University with a BFA in Fine Arts, Rhinehardt returned to the Carteret County School system as an art teacher for the Down East area's three pre-kindergarten-8th grade schools. Hours: Tue.-Sat., 10am-4pm. Contact: 252/638-2577 or at (www.cravenarts.org).

Community Artists Gallery & Studios, Inc., 504 South Front Street, New Bern. **Ongoing** - We serve Craven, Pamlico, and Jones counties. Operated by member artists themselves on an exclusively volunteer basis, it's a great place to discover distinctive, affordable art for your home or office--or to find a truly unique gift. Visit our Gallery and Studios pages to see what's currently on exhibit--and on our easels! Community Artists Gallery & Studios supports working studio space for fifteen artists and exhibits nearly a dozen additional artists at any given time. Our members are engaged in creating jewelry, photography, weaving, found object art, sculpture, ceramics, digital art, watercolor, oil, baskets, stained glass, and acrylic paintings. Hours: Tue., Thur., Fri., & Sat., 10am-4pm. Contact: 252/571-8566 or visit (www.communityartistsgallery.org).

North Wilkesboro

Wilkes Art Gallery, 913 C. Street, North Wilkesboro. **Main Gallery, Jan. 19 - Feb. 15** - "43rd Annual Blue Ridge Overview Photography Competition and Exhibition," juried by Benjamin Erlandson. A reception and awards ceremony will be held on Jan. 19, from 5:30-7:30pm. This year's juror will be Benjamin Erlandson. He combines natural light photography and timelapse to interpret natural and built landscapes across scales. By using various media modalities to explore the juxtaposition of space, time, and light from both internal and external perspectives of human (and non-human) relationships with water and watersheds, Erlandson can create the opportunity for awareness, understanding, and appreciation of the complexities of the world in which we live, starting with a sense of place. **Ongoing** - Founded in 1962 in the parlor of Annie Winkler's home, the Wilkes Art Gallery has experienced transformations over the years. The most dramatic of these was the 2004 move into the renovated 1925 North Wilkesboro Post Office building. WAG offers a variety of classes, workshops, meet-the-artists events and special outreach projects. WAG hosts exhibitions that offer community members a chance to show their work and admission is always free. Visit our online gift shop. Hours: Tue.-Fri., 10am-5pm and Sat., 10am-2pm. Contact: 336/667-2841 or at (www.wilkesartgallery.org).

Old Fort

Arrowhead Artists and Artisans League Inc., 78 Catawba Avenue, Suite C-D, next to the parker hosiery building, 2 minutes from Exit 73 on Interstate I-40, Old Fort. **Ongoing** - The main Gallery space is about 1800 square feet, with an open, industrial feel. Art, ranging from traditional to abstract and mixed

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