

# Sumter County Art Gallery

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without our community partners: NBSC, a Division of Synovus, Creech Roddey Watson Insurance and the Sumter Artists' Guild, which has done the wonderful reception over the past several years. Flowers courtesy of Poinsett Garden Club & the Council

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For further information check our SC Institutional Gallery listings, call the Gallery at 803/775-0543 or visit ([www.sumtergallery.org](http://www.sumtergallery.org)).

## City Art Gallery in Columbia, SC, Offers Works by George Gregory

City Art Gallery in Columbia, SC, is presenting *Collect-ed*, featuring works by George Gregory, on view through Feb. 25, 2017.

The exhibition includes three bodies of work that span almost ten years. The first, a series of lithographs, uses found and collected imagery from childhood photos, anatomical drawings and floral photographs.

The second is a body of work that is inspired by the Pointillist movement. Gregory uses sequins and hand painted push pins to create the images for this body of work. The process is laborious and time consuming. For instance, the sequins are hand sewn to paper and he creates a grid by punching holes in the paper to accommodate the needle and thread.

The process of creating the grid for his sequin pieces inspired the third body of work. Instead of using the holes for sequins, he threads colorful embroidery floss from hole to hole until he is happy with the pattern.

Gregory comments, "I am inspired by personal narrative from my childhood, adolescent and adult relationships. Since childhood I have embraced materials considered part of the arts and crafts world. It is a way for me to combine my childhood experiences of crafting with my Grandmother and spending time with my carpenter Father while he worked. The materials they used in combination reveal the tensions between low art and high art. Through their use with form, I am leveling the playing field. The relationship between hard and soft plays an important role in



Work by George Gregory

my work. This is demonstrated through the materiality of fiber and wood. My material choices and processes reference my experiences with lost relationships. I pay homage to my Father and Grandmother by incorporating the same materials that played a part in my childhood. Creating a delicate balance."

Gregory achieved his MFA in Sculpture from The Ohio State University and is a full time instructor in the School of Visual Art and Design at the University of South Carolina.

For further information check our SC Commercial Gallery listings, call the gallery at 803/252-3613 or visit ([www.cityartonline.com](http://www.cityartonline.com)).

## University of South Carolina Columbia, SC, Offers Annual Student Exhibition

The University of South Carolina in Columbia, SC, will present the 62nd Annual Juried Student Exhibition, on view in the McMaster Gallery, from Feb. 23 through Mar. 16, 2017. A reception will be held on Feb. 23, from 5-7pm, with an Awards Ceremony held at 6pm.

The 62nd Annual Juried Student Exhibition will include original artworks of a variety of mediums by current undergraduate and graduate students of the University of South Carolina's School of Visual Art and Design.

This year's juror will be Catherine Walworth, Ph.D., the new Curator at the Columbia Museum of Art. Walworth received her master's degree from the University of Washington and her doctorate from The Ohio State University where she specialized in modern art from 1850-1950, Russian art, and early film. Starting her museum career at the Seattle Art Museum, Walworth has had extensive curatorial experience working at significant institutions around the country including the McNay Art Museum in San Antonio and the Cleveland Museum of Art. Most recently, Walworth served as the curatorial research assistant on the exhibition *Silver to Steel: The Modern Designs of Peter Muller-Munk* at Carnegie Museum



A view from the 2016 exhibition.

of Art in Pittsburgh, PA. In addition to her curatorial experience, Walworth has been a freelance arts writer since 2003.

The presentation of awards will include: 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place undergraduate winners, 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place graduate winners, and one Best of Show winner.

McMaster Gallery is located in the University of South Carolina's School of Visual Art and Design on Senate Street, Columbia, with accessible street parking on Pickens, Senate, and Henderson.

For further information check our SC Institutional Gallery listings, call Shannon Rae Lindsey, Gallery Director at 803/777-5752 or e-mail to ([slindsey@email.sc.edu](mailto:slindsey@email.sc.edu)).



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