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As a Wilmington native, his formal training began at St. John's Museum when he was in the fourth grade followed by the College of Design at North Carolina State University. Over the past twenty years, he has worked as a design and engineering instructor in the public-school system. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 8am-5pm. Contact: 919/469-4061.

Chapel Hill - Carrboro

Plaza at 140 West Franklin Street in downtown Chapel Hill. 1st & 2nd Fri. - Every Friday beginning in April we will host our Live and Local Music and Art Series at the 140 West Plaza. Our 2nd Friday events will include visual arts. 2nd Fridays are the Chapel Hill Downtown Partnerships Art Walk. For info visit (www. townofchapelhill.org).



Pierre-Hubert Subleyras, French, 1699-1749: Anne-Marie Zina Durand de Lironcourt; oil on canvas. 72 x 60.5 cm. The Horvitz Collection.

Ackland Art Museum, UNC - Chapel Hill, Columbia & Franklin Streets, Chapel Hill. Through Apr. 8 - "Becoming a Woman in Age of Enlightenment: French Art from The Horvitz Collection". While powerful conventional thinking in the 18th-century France assigned women to limited and secondary roles based on the presumed dictates of biology, some voices began arguing that women were the potential equal of men in intelligence, creativity, responsibility, and power. This exhibition shows for the first time how artists in the Enlightenment explored all sides of the debate surrounding "the woman question." Through Aug. 31 - "Step Right Up," an outdoor installation by sculptor Patrick Dougherty. The Ackland Art Museum at The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill has commissioned its first major site-specific, outdoor art installation in nearly 20 years: a "stickwork" sculpture by Chapel Hill-based artist Patrick Dougherty entitled "Step Right Up'. The large-scale work was constructed on-site over a three-week period, and is made entirely of tree saplings. It is on view 24/7 in front of the Ackland Art Museum. The Collection Galleries, Through May 18 - "The Collection Galleries". In this beautifully designed installation, the Ackland presents a powerful and stimulating selection of over 260 works from its extensive permanent collection. Museum Store Gallery (Franklin and Columbia Street), Store hours: Mon.-Sat., 10am-5:30pm & Sun., noon-5pm. Museum Hours: Wed, & Thur., 10am-9pm; 2nd Fris. 10am-9pm; all other Fris., 10am-5pm; Sat. 10am-5pm & Sun., 1-5pm. Contact: 919/966-5736 or at (www.ackland.org).

New Location

FRANK, University Place, Chapel Hill. Feb. 9 - Grand Re-Opening Celebration. The new location allows FRANK to formally launch a larger, separate space for the Laura and Michael Brader-Araje Community Outreach Gallery. Its inaugural exhibit will feature the North Carolina PTA's Reflections Art Program. Ongoing - Featuring work from over 70 artists, Frank offers more than you'd expect from an art gallery. Frank is a collective, founded by the area's finest artists working together to open the door for creative innovation in the arts. Hours: Tue.-Sat., 10am-6pm & Sun., 1-6pm. Contact: Contact: 919/636-4135 or at (www.frankisart.com).

The ArtsCenter, 300-G East Main Street, Carrboro. Ongoing - Nurturing the arts in the triangle since 1974 through performance, education and exhibition. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 9am-9pm and Sat. 10am-5pm. Contact: 919/929-2787 or at (http://artscenterlive.org).

The Sonja Haynes Stone Center for Black Culture and History, UNC-Chapel Hill, 150 South Road, Chapel Hill. Robert and Sallie Brown Gallery, Through Apr. 30 - "Aswarm With the Spirits of All Ages Here: Inconceivable Spaces of Slavery and Freedom". In the Spring 2018 noted Los Angeles based artist Toni Scott will bring her creative talents to the Stone

Center through a special installation project in the Robert and Sallie Brown Gallery and Museum. The installation project continues a line of inquiry and creativity Scott has pursued in successful shows in China and the Middle East where she intertwined histories of African American, Native American and Europeans in her own ancestry. The Brown Gallery welcomes her new exhibition entitled "Aswarm With the Spirits of All Ages Here: Inconceivable Spaces of Slavery and Freedom". The title is adapted from a passage of UNC at Chapel Hill professor Bland Simpson's memoir "The Great Dismal, a Carolinian's Swamp Memoir," about the Great Dismal Swamp, long understood to be a place of refuge for enslaved persons. In it Simpson notes the presence of spirits in a place long thought to be inhabitable: "This vast wild region is a place well fit for a grand gathering of ghosts, a place simultaneously aswarm with the spirits of all ages here, of fin, feather, and manflesh; nor am I exempt." Hours: Mon.-Fri., 10am-8pm. Contact: 919/962-9001 or at (http:// sonjahaynesstonectr.unc.edu/).

Charlotte Area

North Davidson Arts District Gallery Crawl -From 6-9 or 10pm on the 1st & 3rd Fridays of each month. For info check (www.noda.org).

Uptown Gallery Crawl - From 6-8pm on the 1st Friday of each month.

South End Art Gallery Crawl - From 6-9pm on the 1st Friday of each month.

Bechtler Museum of Modern Art, Levine Center for the Arts, 420 South Tryon St., Charlotte. Second Floor Gallery, Through July 8 - "ALFRED MANESSIER," an exhibition of paintings and prints by an artist who sought to create contemplative images where the natural and spiritual realms would converge, offering spaces for both respite and resistance In addition to landscape-inspired paintings, the show includes Manessier's illustrations for St. John of the Cross' "Spiritual Canticles", Eugène Guillevic's "Cymbalum", and the elephantine portfolio "Presentation of the Beauce at Notre-Dame of Chartres". Born in 1911, Manessier moved to Paris in 1929 to study architecture at the École des Beaux Arts. He spent much of his time copying the Louvre's Rembrandts and Tintorettos and finally made a decisive switch to painting in 1938. Initially he followed the Cubists, constructing latticed compositions that incorporated the ordered structure of architecture. His style changed, however, as Europe inched closer to war. Manessier chose religious subjects because they seemed as elusive and vast as the natural world. Towards the end of his life, he reflected on his 40 years of painting spiritual themes, saying they "were at my fingertips and at the same time, infinite." Ongoing - The Bechtler Museum of Modern Art is named after the family of Andreas Bechtler, a Charlotte resident and native of Switzerland who assembled and inherited a collection of more than 1.400 artworks created by major figures of 20th-century modernism and donated it to the public trust. The Bechtler collection comprises artworks by seminal figures such as Alberto Giacometti, Joan Miro, Jean Tinguely, Max Ernst, Andy Warhol, Alexander Calder, Le Corbusier, Sol LeWitt, Edgar Degas, Nicolas de Stael, Barbara Hepworth and Picasso. Only a handful of the artworks in the Bechtler collection have been on public view in the United States. Admission: Yes. Hours: Mon., Wed.-Sat., 10am-5pm; Sun. noon-5pm; and open until 9pm the 1st. and 3rd. Fri. of each month. Contact: 704/353-9200 or at (www.bechtler.

Charlotte Art League Gallery & Studios, 1517 Camden Road, South End, Charlotte. Ongoing - CAL houses one of the area's largest collections of local professional and emerging artists, offering affordable fine art in a variety of styles and media: acrylics, oil, pastel, watercolor, mixed media, photography and sculpture, and fiber art. Tour studios of working artists. Admission: Free. Hours: Tue.-Thur., 11am-3-pm; Fri., 5-9pm; Sat., noon-4pm; Sun., 1-5pm. Closed Dec. 22-Jan. 1. Contact: 704/376-2787 or at (www.charlotteartleague.org).

Davidson College, Belk Visual Arts Center, 315 North Main and Griffith Streets, Davidson. Van Every/Smith Galleries at Davidson College, Through Mar. 3 - "Surrounded by Wolves," featuring works by Jen Ray and "Love is The Message, The Message is Death," featuring works by Arthur Jafa. Ongoing - While on campus, be sure to take a tour of our Campus Sculpture. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 10am-5pm and Sat. & Sun., noon-4pm. Contact: 704/894-2519 or at (www. davidsoncollegeartgalleries.org).

Elizabeth Ross Gallery, Central Piedmont Community College, Central Campus, Overcash Performing Arts Center, Elizabeth Avenue and Kings Dr., Charlotte. Through Mar. 7 - "About Face Charlotte". Central Piedmont Community College partnership with About Face Charlotte seeks to engage community through photography. The CPCC Ross Art Gallery is partnering with About Face Charlotte co-founders Hannah Blanton of Sozo Gallery and Scott Gardner, a videographer and photojournalist for Discovery, National Geographic, History Channel and Animal Planet, to the college's Central Campus. Hours: Mon.-Thur., 10am-2pm. Contact: 704/330-6211.

Harvey B. Gantt Center for African-Amer-

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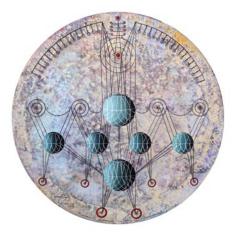
29 - "By and About Women: The Collection

Arts, 551 S. Tryon St., Charlotte. Feb. 3 - July

of Dr. Dianne Whitfield-Locke and Dr. Carnell Locke." Dr. Whitfield-Locke and her husband. Dr. Carnell Locke, are avid art collectors and are also committed supporters of artists and African-American art institutions. The exhibition highlights selected works from their extensive collection which were either created by female artists or feature women as the subject. Like their larger collection, this exhibition represents a comprehensive history of art-making in general, and African-American art, specifically. Sculpture, sketches, oils, acrylics, paintings and collages fill the gallery. Masterpieces by pioneering women including Betye Saar, Camille Billops, Samella Lewis, Elizabeth Catlett, Emma Amos, Lois Mailou Jones, Faith Ringgold, and Augusta Savage headline the exhibition. The Lockes have also gathered work by E. J. Montgomery, Howardena Pindell, and Jacob Lawrence's wife. Gwendolvn Knight. Works by multi-media artists such as Robin Holder, Clarissa Sligh, Margo Humphrey and Alison Saar also appear in the gallery. Feb. 3 - July 29 - "A Creative Journey: The Collection of Judy and Patrick Diamond," curated by Dr. Michael D. Harris. The collection began during a year-long residence in East Africa when the couple were fresh out of graduate school and has continued throughout their life together. Their metaphorical journey reflects the geographic journey of their lives from Boston, where they met, to stops in Tanzania, Williamstown, Massachusetts, Chicago, Charlotte and Atlanta. Featured artists include: Benny Andrews (1930 - 2006); Radcliffe Bailey (b. 1968); Romare Bearden (1911 - 1988); Tarleton Blackwell (b. 1956); Margaret T. Burroughs (1917 - 2010); Sam Gilliam (b. 1933); Richard Hunt (b. 1935); Jacob Lawrence (1917 2002); Hughie Lee-Smith (1915 - 1999); Juan Logan (b. 1946); Jeanne Moutoussamy-Ashe (b. 1951); Ben Parrish; Cedric Smith (b. 1970); Henry O. Tanner (1859 - 1937); Cheryl Warrick (b. 1956); Charles White (1918 - 1979); Hale Woodruff (1900 - 1980); and Richard Yarde (b. 1939). Dr. Michael D. Harris is an artist, scholar, curator and professor presently teaching at Emory University in Atlanta. As a scholar, Harris has published "Colored Pictures: Race and Visual Representation" (2003) and has contributed to or co-authored a number of other publications. He has had articles on contemporary African art and African-American art published in a number of books and journals. Feb. 3 - July 29 - "Lillian Blades: Mirrors of Life." Picture frames, buttons, flowers, wood blocks, mirrors and other objects - random to some, but symbolic to Lillian Blades - represent both the artist's past and present. Far from chaotic, viewing her work yields an unexpected calm and sense of wonder. These images, like most of her mixed-media collages, incorporate an array of patterns using found objects that seem to float on planes of bright and dark colors with each object holding a special meaning to the artist - picture frames are about apturing memories; buttons symbolize the loss of her mother - a seamstress - and the desire to remain connected; flowers represent her grandmother and her aunt who were both florists. In addition, these objects are also subjective - leaving room for interpretation and self-reflection by the viewer. Lillian Blades was born in Nassau. Bahamas in 1973 and currently resides in Atlanta, GA. She completed a BFA in Painting at the Savannah College of Art and Design, Savannah Campus and a MFA in Painting at Georgia State University. Feb. 3 - July 29 - "Frankhavemercy: Frequency." Through the lens of a camera, North Carolinaborn photographer, designer and filmmaker Frank Jackson III - also known as Frankhavemercy – captures the emotions of growth. struggle and joy in his first exhibition, titled Frequency. Each image tells a story inspired by Frankhavemercy's experiences, memories or imagination. Exploiting his innate talent for capturing moments, figures and architecture, Frankhavemercy not only seizes the moment but combines the image he spies through his lens with imaginative editing to mirror the one he sees in his mind's eye. Frequency unpacks emotions driven by Frankhavemercy's past and present - both positive and negative - and showcases works of art that are exquisite and

thought-provoking. Frankhavemercy is a Los Angeles based photographer and film director, who was born and raised in Fayeteville, North Carolina. Both his short films and editorial photography stem from a similar spirit and space. He is methodical about the moods of his work. He gives great thought to overall tones and composition by creating elaborate mood boards for every project he commits to. The presence of raw emotion and feeling is apparent in each piece regardless of the art medium. Ongoing - Featuring selections from the John & Vivian Hewitt Collection of African-American Art, one of the nation's most important and comprehensive collections of African-American art. Hours: Tue.-Sat., 10am-5pm & Sun. 1-5pm. Contact: 704/547-3700 or at (www.ganttcenter.org).

Lake Norman Art League Gallery, 442 S. Main St., located across the street from Wooden Stone, next to Masterworks; enter at the rear of the building, and turn right into the lobby, Davidson. Ongoing - Featuring works by Lake Norman Art League members. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 8am-7pm. Contact: 704/620-4450 or at (www.LKNart.org).



Work by Carlos Estévez

Latin American Contemporary Art Projects (LaCa), 1429 Bryant Street, in the heart of the revitalized FreeMoreWest neighborhood, Charlotte. Through Mar. 17 - "Transeúntes (Transients)," an exhibition of new work by Miami-based artist, Carlos Estévez (Cuba). A reception will be held on Feb. 18, from 6-8pm in conjunction withthe opening of Basal Coffee. This will be the artist's second solo exhibition with the gallery. The recent work of Carlos Estévez explores the subtle dynamics of human interactions and the concept that life is in a permanent state of transience. The origins of the work began in the spring of 2016, when Estévez was in residence at the McColl Center for Art + Innovation in Charlotte, North Carolina, and continued later that summer during his residency at the Brownstone Foundation in Paris, France. Ongoing - LaCa Projects is a platform dedicated to the presentation, development, and promotion of Latin American art and culture within the United States. The gallery encourages cross-cultural dialogue by representing a small group of influential and thought-provoking contemporary, emerging and mid-career artists, as well as exhibiting a broader range of work by established and Master Latin American artists. The gallery, which has expertise in a number of different art media with a significant focus on paintings, will also be part of a larger planned expansion that includes open artist studios and a dining concept. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 1-5pm or by appt. Contact: Neely Verano at (neely@ lacaprojects.com) or call 704/609-8487.

Levine Museum of the New South, 200 E. Seventh St., corner of College St & Seventh St., Charlotte. Ongoing - "Cotton Fields to Skyscrapers," featuring a permanent exhibition featuring interactive environments that trace the history of the New South from the end of the Civil War until today. Admission: Yes. Free on Sat. Parking: next door in Seventh Street Station. Hours: Mon.-Sat., 10am-5pm & Sun., noon-5pm. Contact: 704/333-1887 or at (www. museumofthenewsouth.org).

Max L. Jackson Gallery, Watkins Building, Queens University of Charlotte, 1900 Selwyn Ave., Charlotte. Through Feb. 17 - Featuring the seventh annual exhibition "ARTE LATINO NOW 2018". This exhibition features the works of Latino artists selected through a national competition and will include works by visual artists Tina Alberni, Citlali Aguirre, Luis Ardila, , Helier Batista, Marisa Cerban, Héctor Del Campo, Rebeca Carvajal, Edith Covarrubias, Leonor Demori, Felisa Federman, Catalina Gómez-Beuth, Michael Irrizary-Pagan, Beatriz Ledesma, Ernesto López, Elisa López Trejo, Rosemary Meza-DesPlas, Tahila Mintz. Iván Peña González. Lucía Rodríguez Magdaleno, Al Torres and Amarilis Véliz Diepa as well as literary pieces by Margarita Dager-Uscocovich, Alex Martínez, Kurma Murrain, and Yolanda Nieves. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 10am-8pm and Sat.&Sun., 10am-4pm. Contact: call 704/337-2318 or e-mail to (shaulm@queens.edu).