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that introduce the major ancient civilizations from the Mediterranean and Near East. Examples of the earliest form of writing from 12th century B.C. Mesopotamia, are shown next to Egyptian scarabs and Greek painted vessels. The world of the ancient Romans is represented by 2nd century glass and bronze items and portrait sculpture. Many of these works have not been seen since the Museum moved to its location on Main Street in 1998. The collection has grown over the last several years with the donation of 12 fine Roman sculptures in 2002 from Pennsylvania collector Dr. Robert Y. Turner. Admission: Yes, but there is no admission charge on Sun. Hours: Tue.-Fri., 11am-5pm; first Fri., till 8pm; Sat., 10am-5pm & Sun., noon-5pm. Contact: 803/799-2810 or at (www.columbiamuseum.org).

McKissick Museum, University of South Carolina, USC Horseshoe, Columbia. **Through May 20** - "Crafting Civil (War) Conversations". This exhibition commemorates the 150th anniversary of the end of the Civil War with a juried display of contemporary art. The Museum invited artists from across the Southeast who work in what historically have been regarded as craft-based media--clay, fiber, glass, metal and wood--to imagine the Civil War's end as a scene of reconciliation--not between the North and the South--but between former slaves and former slave owners. **Through Mar. 28** - "Celebrating South Carolina Ceramics: Recent Acquisitions from the Ferrell Collection". This exhibition features stunning stoneware pottery acquired from the prestigious collection of Stephen and Terry Ferrell. The exhibit includes an 1840, 4-handled, signed and decorated Phoenix Factory jar attributed to Thomas Chandler, an 1825 churn attributed to Thomas Chandler, and a bowl by John Durham, Chandler's father-in-law. The acquisition of these new additions to McKissick Museum's stellar southern stoneware collection was made possible by the generous support of donors to the Jill Koverman Memorial Fund and the Lynn Robertson Acquisitions Fund. Also on view is a sampling of never-before-exhibited sherds from the Ferrell sherd collection. In January 2014, the Ferrells gifted their extensive sherd collection to McKissick. Excavated from multiples historic South Carolina pottery sites such as the Shaw's Creek Pottery in Edgefield and the Landrum/Stork site in Columbia, this recent donation of several thousand pottery sherds represents a treasure trove for southern ceramics scholars. **2nd floor South Gallery, Through July 25** - "Traditions, Change, and Celebration: Native Artists of the Southeast". This exhibition represents year two of McKissick's "Diverse Voices" series, which explores the vibrant traditions that help create and maintain the cultural landscape of South Carolina and the surrounding region. Each year the exhibit focuses on a specific theme or tradition. The South is home to a wide variety of deeply-rooted Native American tribal groups, each with their own dynamic history. The exhibition pays particular attention to five primary culture groups: Iroquoian, Muskogean, Algonquin, Mobilian and Siouan. Within these culture groups and spanning nine states, the traditions of a variety of tribes will be explored, including the Cherokee, Edisto, Choctaw, Catawba, Chickasaw, Seminole, Chitimacha, Pamunkey, Wassamasaw and Creek. Featuring the work of master artists within these communities, the exhibition explores how these artists are influenced by the world around them and how they influence their native communities through leadership and a dynamic sense of cultural identity. **Ongoing** - "Diverse Voices: Discovering Community Through Traditional Arts". Dedicated to the late George D. Terry, "Diverse Voices" explores deeply-rooted traditions that help create and maintain the cultural landscape of South Carolina and the surrounding region. Each year the exhibit will focus on a specific theme or tradition. Year one of "Diverse Voices" offers a comprehensive presentation of objects from the museum collection that represent the work of celebrated NEA National Heritage Fellows and Jean Laney Harris Folk Heritage Award recipients. **Ongoing** - "Highlights from the Permanent Collections of McKissick Museum". **Permanent** - "Baruch Silver Collection," a collection of the Baruch family silver. And, "Natural Curiosity: USC and the Evolution of Scientific Inquiry into the Natural World". Hours: Mon.-Fri., 8:30am-5pm & Sat., 11am-3pm. Contact: 803/777-7251 or at (<http://artsandsciences.sc.edu/mcks/>).

Richland County Public Library, Gallery at Main, 1431 Assembly St., Columbia. **Ongoing** - Featuring 20 pieces of public art on permanent display. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 9am-9pm; Sat, 9am-6pm; Sun, 2-6pm. Contact: 803/988-0886 or at (www.richland.lib.sc.us).

701 Center for Contemporary Art, 701 Whaley St., Columbia. **Main Gallery, Mar. 5 - Apr. 19** - "Eto Otigbe: Ruptured Silence," is the title of

a performance originally conceived by Wideman/Davis Dance that examined contemporary perspectives about the confederate flag, a bygone symbol and its usage as an intimidation tool. Otigbe chose to adopt "Ruptured Silence" as the title of his solo exhibition at 701 CCA. The exhibition includes a series of sculptures and experimental drawings that are alternative representations of familiar themes and objects. While in residence Otigbe will collaborate with Wideman/Dance to develop "Ruptured Silence: Racist Symbols and Signs," a new media performance installation that explores the deconstruction of the southern civil rights memento, the confederate flag. **West side of the 701 Whaley building, Ongoing** - "Herb Parker: Olympia Dialogue," featuring an outdoor, architectural installation by Charleston, SC, artist Herb Parker. His architectural structure is 10 feet tall, 34 feet long and 18 feet wide and made of rebar, oat straw, jute, bamboo, reed and mulch. Parker created the work during his May residency at 701 CCA with several volunteer assistants. "Olympia Dialogue" is 701 CCA's first commissioned public art work. Hours: Wed., 11am-8pm; Thur.-Sat., 11am-5pm & Sun., 1-5pm. Contact: 803/238-2351 or at (www.701cca.org).



Work by William Halsey

SC State Museum, 301 Gervais St., Columbia. **Mar. 6 - Sept. 7** - "Halsey 100," is a temporary exhibit that examines the work of important Charleston, SC, artist William Halsey in the 100th anniversary year of his birth. The exhibit includes original oil paintings that look into the important career of Halsey. His non-representational paintings were influenced by the Southern coastal light, his travels to South America and his hometown of Charleston. Halsey was a pioneer of contemporary art in the Palmetto State, helping pave the way for other contemporary artists. **Mar. 6, 10am - 2pm** - "College Art Day". Aspiring student artists and parents are invited to explore South Carolina colleges and university art departments during College Art Day. Meet current students and faculty from colleges around the state and hear from alumni applying their art degrees in their professions. College Art Day is included with general admission or membership. To sign up, call 803/898-4999 or e-mail to (groupvisits@scmuseum.org). **Mar. 7, 10am-4pm** - "Art Day". South Carolina art and artists will be featured with an exceptional day of activities for everyone. Guests will enjoy hands-on art activities, demonstrations by South Carolina artists, guided behind-the-scenes tours of the museum's art storage areas and the new art exhibit, "Halsey 100". **Through June 7** - "Face Jugs," a mini-exhibit located inside the South Carolina State Museum's antebellum history area. The face jug collection, focusing on 19th century South Carolina potters, showcases the skills and methods used by early craftspeople. The museum is working with independent curator and researcher Phil Wingard, along with archaeologist Carl Steen and the McKissick Museum at the University of South Carolina to show these works and related archaeological material, most of which will be seen for the first time by the public. **Through 2015** - "The Coming of the Civil War," will look at the origins of the disagreement between South Carolina and the federal government, beginning with the nullification crisis of 1832-33. The exhibit will be augmented by five more single-topic exhibits through the sesquicentennial war years (2011-2015) until the expansion space is filled. **Lipscomb Gallery, Through Mar. 16** - "Building a Universe," features creations by artists whose work deals with space and the universe, either directly or conceptually, according to Chief Curator of Art Paul Matheny. The works represent a wide variety of media, including installation art, painting, printmaking, collage, sculpture and mixed media work. In addition, installation art by Jocelyn Chateauvert, Virginia Scotchie and Jonathan Brilliant will be seen, as will the work of mixed media artists, painters and the final collage constructions of the late, world-renowned Robert Courtright of Sumter, created shortly before his death in late 2012." Participating artists included are: Jonathan Brilliant, Paul Martyka, Molly B. Right, Robert Courtright (1926-2012), Enid Wil-

liams, Peggy Rivers, Hollis Brown Thornton, Jocelyn Chateauvert, John Acorn, Aldwyth, Virginia Scotchie, Jon Prichard, Mary Edna Fraser, Greg Fitzpatrick, Kirkland Smith, and Gene Speer.

The Crescent Café, second floor mezzanine of the Museum. The house menu offers a variety of baked goods, juices, coffee, hot chocolate and tea. Lunchtime offerings include deli sandwiches and alternating daily soups, as well as grilled chicken salads and sandwiches. And let's not forget the house specialty: spectacular fudge, handmade on-site. Museum Hours: Mon.-Sat., 10am-5pm; Sun., 1-5pm. Admission: Yes. Contact: call 803/898-4921 or at (<http://scmuseum.org>).

ALTERNATE ART SPACES - Columbia area **Columbia Metropolitan Convention Center**, 1101 Lincoln St., Columbia. **Ongoing** - Featuring works by local artists throughout the convention center, including works by Mike Williams, Liisa Salosaari Jasinski, Tyrone Getter, Peter Lenzo, Jamie Davis, Tom Lockart & Mark Woodham, Angela Bradburn, Virginia Scotchie, Denise Dent, Sue Grier, Brian Rego, Heather LaHaise, Howard Hunt, Robert Campbell, Ernest Lee, David J.P. Hooker, Ralph Waldrop, Elena Madden, Debbie Martin, Blue Sky, Laura Spong, Jean McWhorter, Claire Farrell, Justin Guy, and Jonathan Green. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 9am-5pm; Sat., 10am-4pm & Sun., 1-5pm. Contact: 803/545-0001 or at (www.columbia-conventioncenter.com/phototour/phototour/).

The Gallery at City Hall, 1737 Main Street, Columbia. **Through Mar. 31** - "Impressions of Chimneyville: Columbia's Civil War Destruction by Historic Columbia. After the Burning of Columbia, citizens came to identify their hometown by the remnants of buildings that dotted its skyline. Columbia's physical transformation is shown through historical images and descriptions in this exhibit. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 8:30am-5pm and on 1st Thur, from 6-8pm. Contact: 803/545-3000.

Conway

The Rebecca Randall Bryan Art Gallery, located in the Thomas W. and Robin W. Edwards College of Humanities and Fine Arts Building, Coastal Carolina University, Conway. **Through Apr. 1** - "Amendments," featuring an exhibition of mixed-media, fiber-based sculptures and wall reliefs by San Francisco-based artist Marie Bergstedt. Buttons, embroidery, crochet, and many other textile techniques are used to create figures and artifacts from Bergstedt's life. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 9am-5pm. Contact: 843/349-2711 or at (www.coastal.edu/bryanartgallery/).

Darlington

ALTERNATE ART SPACES - Darlington **Public Square on Main Street in Darlington, Third Sat. of the month, 9am-1pm** - "Market on Darlington Square". Farmers and nurseries will have a variety of trees, plants, flowers, and shrubs as well as local vegetables and strawberries. Under the shade of trees and the courthouse, shoppers can find a variety of hand-crafted items, baked goods, purses, perfumes, food and other goods as artisans, craftsmen, farmers and other vendors will be selling their wares as the market returns to the Public Square. The open-air market is a partnership between Darlington Downtown Revitalization Association, the City of Darlington and a dedicated group of volunteers. Contact: e-mail to (dvaughan48@bellsouth.net) or call 843/395-2310 or 843/395-0792.

Due West

Bowie Arts Center, Bonner St., Erskine College, Due West. **Ongoing** - Permanent Collections, 19th c. furniture, cut-glass, clocks and decorative arts. Also, 19th & early 20th c. music boxes & mechanical musical instruments. Hours: M-Th, 1-4:30pm or by appt. Contact: 864/379-8867.

Elloree

Elloree Heritage Museum and Cultural Museum, 2714 Cleveland Street, Elloree. **Ongoing** - Stroll Cleveland Street as it appeared in 1900 and delight in the recreated stores, bank and hotel; Explore the train station, logging and butchering areas; Visit Snider Cabin, birthplace of William J. Snider, founder of Elloree; Learn about tenant farming and meet midwife Mary Ella Jones who was responsible for delivering many Elloree babies; Take a rest in the two-seater outhouse; Explore a plantation gin house with its original gin, cotton press, and mechanicals; Learn how cotton is grown, picked and ginned today; See the variety of horse-drawn plows, planters and cultivators that farmers used to work their land; Meet Ruby Doo and learn about the history of mules and the vital role they played in southern agriculture; and Visit the upstairs gallery for the latest show featuring work by local and regional South Carolina artists, a baseball exhibit, a postcard exhibit or any of a variety of changing exhibits. Admission: Yes. Hours: Wed.-Sat., 10am-5pm. Contact: 803-897-2225 or at (<http://www.elloreemuseum.org>).

Florence

Art Trail Gallery, 185 West Evans Street, just around the corner from their old location on Dargon Street, Florence. **Through Mar. 5** - "2015 Photofabulous Juried Exhibit, including works by: Anne Baldwin, Michayla Baskin, Lee Benoy, Kendall Berry, Marion Berry, Patricia Burkett, Tari Federer, James Fernandes, Bryan Fisher, Symon Gibson, Fran Gray, Susan Griggs, Rachell Hyman, Janet Leonard, Rae Anne MalvaGomes, Laura McFadden, Suzanne Muldrow, Ferebe Gasque Pearce, Ivana Reay-Jones, Jo Robbins, Aubree Ross, Margaret vB Smith, Leah Stallings, Jeff Steinmetz, Molly Symons, Francie Thomas, Natalie Todd, Haley Wightman, Mary Anne Worrell, and LaRue Yarbrough. **Ongoing** - Also the home of Alex Palkovich's sculpture. Hours: Mon.-Fri., 10am-6pm & Sat., 10am-3pm. Contact: 843/673-0729 or at (www.art-trail-gallery.com).



Work by Jim Boden

Florence County Museum, 111 West Cheves Street, across the street from the Francis Marion University Performing Arts Center, Florence. **Waters Gallery, located at 135 South Dargon Street (former Art Trail Gallery), Through Mar. 29** - "2015 Pee Dee Regional Art Competition Exhibition". The competition showcases contemporary art (created within the last two years) by artists located in the Pee Dee region. The works on exhibit were selected by Judge, Lese Corrigan, from a total of 172 submissions. **Through Oct. 5** - "William H. Johnson: New Beginnings," features twenty one works from the life of Florence native, William Henry Johnson (1901-1970) selected from the collections of the Smithsonian American Art Museum, the Florence Museum Board of Trustees, the Johnson Collection, and a private collector in Denmark. This selection not only represents the range of distinct periods over the artist's prolific career, but it also offers a rare personal glimpse into the artist's relationship with the people and places of Florence, America, & Europe. In 1901, William H. Johnson was born in Florence, SC. At the age of 17, he traveled and studied in America and Europe, producing and exhibiting art that reflected the styles and attitudes of the world around him. Fearing the eminent onset of war in Europe, Johnson returned to the United States in 1938. Over the course of the next decade, his art transformed into the intense, "primitivist" style he is recognized for today. Both vibrant and somber, these abstracted paintings depict the African-American experience from both a historical and personal perspective. Today the Smithsonian American Art Museum owns more work by Johnson than any other single artist. In 2009, two of Johnson's works painted during the artist's 1944 visit to Florence, were among those chosen by First Lady Michelle Obama as decoration for the White House. **Through Jan. 1, 2016** - "Selections-from-the-Wright-Collection-of-Southern-Art". This exhibition features thirty works from the Florence County Museum's recently acquired Wright Collection of Southern Art. In its entirety, The Wright Collection of Southern Art features 141 works collected over 45 years by former Florence pathologist, Dr. Louis Wright. The collection was developed around the recognition of Southern Art as a viable facet of American expression and cultural development. It encompasses art produced over a 153-year period, from 1852 to 2005. At its center is work by noted artists like Thomas Hart Benton, Alfred Hutty, Helen Hyde, Florence native artist, William Henry Johnson, Alice Huger Smith, Anna Heyward Taylor, Elizabeth O'Neill Verner, Palmer Schoppe, Mary Whyte, & Stephen Scott Young. **Community Gallery, Ongoing** - This exhibit introduces visitors to the history of the museum and its formative collections. This gallery also exhibits the histories and diversity of the City of Florence, and the incorporated municipalities of Florence County. Additionally, the Community Gallery communicates the lives, stories and accomplishments of significant past and present citizens of Florence County and members of its communities. This gallery is one of two permanent exhibit spaces designed by award winning exhibit design firm, HaleySharpe Design. **Pee Dee History Gallery, Ongoing** - This is the largest gallery space in the facility, comprising 3,300 sq. ft. of exhibit space. This permanent collections gallery occupies the entire second floor, east wing of the building. Artifacts are supported by historical images and narrative interpretation, giving a comprehensive introduction to the Pee Dee region from prehistory to the present. This

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